Landscape Architecture 2013-2014 Factsheet

Tuition and Fees per Semester - Fall 2013 & Spring 2014 (for more details related to part-time status, international students, and other variations, please see http://www.the-bac.edu/admissions-and-financial-aid/tuition-and-fees)

Master of Landscape Architecture
Tuition
- 6-10.5 Credits: $10,206
- 11-15 Credits: $13,219
- Part-Time Tuition (Less than 6 credits): $1,702 per 1.0 credit
- Overload Tuition (Additional charge for more than 15 credits): $1,124 per 1.0 credit

Fees + other costs
- required fees: $325
- estimated cost of housing (9 months, independent of family): $3,128
- Massachusetts-required health insurance: $1,390 or proof of other health insurance
- estimated cost of books and supplies: $1,700

Bachelor of Landscape Architecture
Tuition
- 6-10.5 Credits: $8,986
- 11-15 Credits: $11,331
- Part-Time Tuition (Less than 6 credits): $1,498 per 1.0 credit
- Overload Tuition (Additional charge for more than 15 credits): $964 per 1.0 credit

Fees + other costs
- required fees: $325
- estimated cost of housing (9 months, independent of family): $3,128
- Massachusetts-required health insurance: $1,390 or proof of other health insurance
- estimated cost of books and supplies: $1,700

Student Demographics (Fall 2012)

The Master of Landscape Architecture program has 25% students of color, and is 50% female. The Bachelor of Landscape Architecture program has 35.3% students of color, and is 18.8% female.
Length of program

MLA length of curriculum – 6 semesters
BLA length of curriculum – 10 semesters

*Note that both of these are reduced program lengths from prior years, as we have introduced our accelerated curricula in 2012.*

Retention and graduation rates

The Landscape Architecture programs at the BAC are in their early years, and those students who have graduated to date are those who arrived with sufficient transfer credit to shorten their program. In the Master of Landscape Architecture program, our two graduates completed their degrees in six and seven semesters, both less than the former nine-semester program length; for the Bachelor of Landscape Architecture program, our two graduates completed their degrees in six and nine semesters, both less than the ten-semester program length.

For students who were enrolled in the MLA program in Spring 2013, 100% returned to campus in Fall 2013.* For those students enrolled in the BLA program, 94.1% returned to campus in Fall of 2013.*

* These retention rates are based on Spring 2013 registration information and current Fall 2013 enrollments.

The 112 incoming graduate students in Fall 2012 accounted for 516 course starts**, or an average of 4.6 courses per student. This is a significant increase from prior years.

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<th>MDS</th>
<th>MID</th>
<th>MLA</th>
<th>All Masters</th>
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<td>Students</td>
<td>68</td>
<td>26</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>112</td>
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<td>Course Starts</td>
<td>307</td>
<td>85</td>
<td>89</td>
<td>35</td>
<td>516</td>
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<td>Successful</td>
<td>275</td>
<td>79</td>
<td>85</td>
<td>35</td>
<td>474</td>
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<td>Successful Starts Rate</td>
<td>89.6%</td>
<td>92.9%</td>
<td>95.5%</td>
<td>100%</td>
<td>91.9%</td>
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<td>Percent failed</td>
<td>7 (2.3%)</td>
<td>2 (2.3%)</td>
<td>1 (1.1%)</td>
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<td>10 (1.9%)</td>
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<td>Percent withdrawal</td>
<td>25 (8.1%)</td>
<td>4 (4.7%)</td>
<td>3 (3.4%)</td>
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<td>32 (6.2%)</td>
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Of the 57 incoming undergraduate students of Fall 2011, 89.9% enrolled in courses during Spring 2012.

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<td>Fall Semester 2012</td>
<td>45</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>59</td>
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<td>Second Semester S2013</td>
<td>41</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>53</td>
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<tr>
<td>Percent returning</td>
<td>91.1%</td>
<td>100%</td>
<td>66.7%</td>
<td>100%</td>
<td>89.8%</td>
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Comparisons to previous fall cohorts

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<th>F2011 to S2012</th>
<th>F2010 to S2011</th>
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<tr>
<td>Percent returning</td>
<td>83.5%</td>
<td>84.0%</td>
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<td>66.7%</td>
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<td>71.4%</td>
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<td>82.7%</td>
<td>81.3%</td>
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**The successful starts rate is a common measure of cohort performance, defined as the proportion of courses begun that were successfully completed (receiving a grade other than failure, no credit, incomplete or withdrawal). The calculation does not include courses dropped within a school’s add-drop period.**
Student Achievement

Master of Landscape Architecture students are required to maintain a 2.70 minimum GPA for satisfactory progress. In the 2012-13 academic year, MLA students’ average grade across all courses was 3.66, roughly A-, with no failed courses.

Bachelor of Landscape Architecture students are required to maintain a 2.50 minimum GPA for satisfactory progress. In the 2012-13 academic year, BLA students’ average grade across all courses was 2.87, midway between a B+ and a B. Fewer than 5% of courses were failed.

All BAC students are required to submit a portfolio of their work at the end of Segment I, and again at the end of Segment II. Students must pass this portfolio review in order to move on into further segments of their curricula. Landscape Architecture students’ performance on portfolio review is as follows:

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<th>Curriculum</th>
<th>Total Submittals</th>
<th>Passed on first submittal</th>
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<td>BLA Segment I</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>17</td>
<td>2</td>
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<td>BLA Segment II</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>4</td>
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<td>MLA Segment I</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>9</td>
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<td>MLA Segment II</td>
<td>2</td>
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Finally, although the Landscape Architecture programs are a small part of the overall BAC population, our students have had oversized success:

- In 2012, MLA students Meghan Marchie and Juliana Shapiro were awarded the BAC’s Edward J. Aisner & Eleanor H. Aisner Emerging Design Leaders Scholarship.
- The BAC’s Practice Achievement Award, presented to students who best demonstrate progress in the professional practice element of their learning, has been awarded to two MLA students: Edward Adams and Sara Bourque (Spring 2013).
- MLA student Jaryd McGonagle received a research assistantship supported by the [Landscape Architecture Foundation](http://www.the-bac.edu/landscape-architecture-foundation) (Spring 2013).
- Edward Adams, MLA 2013, received the inaugural Brown, Richardson + Rowe Landscape Architecture Prize (Spring 2013).
- Terrence Duffy, MLA 2013, was awarded the BAC’s Greene Landscape Architecture Achievement Award (Spring 2013).
- Two BLA students, Sean Walters (Spring 2012) and Evan Hammond (Spring 2013), won scholarships from the [Boston Society of Landscape Architects](http://www.bsola.org).
- BLA student Evan Hammond won the BAC’s Roy Viklund Scholarship for Fall 2013.

For more information about The BAC’s Scholarships, Honors and Awards, please see: [http://www.the-bac.edu/experience-the-bac/scholarships-honors-and-awards](http://www.the-bac.edu/experience-the-bac/scholarships-honors-and-awards)

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