



**BOSTON
ARCHITECTURAL
COLLEGE**

Bachelor of Landscape Architecture

Accreditation:	Landscape Architecture Accrediting Board
Program:	First Professional Degree in Landscape Architecture
Length:	Six years (with some summer coursework); varies based on prior academic & work experience
Location:	Our Back Bay location makes us a center for lectures on architecture, landscape design, interior design, real estate development, and city planning. Our main building at 320 Newbury Street is accessible by public transportation and convenient to those working in and around downtown Boston.
Academic Curriculum:	<p>The program has three segments covering the following curricular areas: Design, Visual Studies, History and Theory, Technology and Management, Arts and Sciences, and Professional Electives. Classes are held in the late afternoon and evening, with some weekend labs.</p> <p>Segment I: Foundation. Students in Foundation acquire basic knowledge, skills, and awareness in both general and professional education, as well as natural sciences.</p> <p>Segment II: Integration. Students explore – in depth and breadth – the field of landscape architectural design and construction. Emphasis is on integrating skills, knowledge, and awareness.</p> <p>Segment III: Synthesis. Students pursue advanced landscape architectural studio and research courses related to individual interest. Segment III concludes with a Capstone or Degree Project Studio.</p> <p>Capstone or Degree Project: consists of the Landscape and Imagination course work as a preamble followed by a project completed over two semesters. Each student engages in a project covering the design process from conception to documentation.</p>
Practice Curriculum:	The Practice Curriculum is the job, or “laboratory”, portion of the BAC’s concurrent design model of education. Students work in paid positions in firms, usually during the day; 45 of the required 171 credits for the BLA degree are earned through the Practice Curriculum. As a result, graduates will leave the BAC with substantial resumes, including professional experience, professional portfolios, and with the potential of sitting immediately for the CLARB licensure examination.
Faculty:	Educators and professional practitioners in architecture, horticulture, interior design, landscape architecture, planning, and allied professions teach at the BAC. Approximately 250 adjunct faculty members serve as instructors and mentors each year.
Students:	Close to 1000 degree students are enrolled; they come from all over the United States and overseas. Their academic and professional backgrounds are diverse.
Enrollment:	Students may begin their studies either in the fall or spring semester. Advanced placement is possible for students with prior college experience.
Tuition:	\$8,388 per semester (or \$11,154 per semester for the Academic Only Program) – 2011-12
Financial Aid:	The BAC participates in Federal Pell and Stafford Subsidized and Unsubsidized loan programs as well as numerous state scholarship programs. All students must be admitted to a BAC degree program before a financial aid award will be made. To receive financial aid (federal or state) students must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA— www.fafsa.ed.gov).
Visiting:	Information sessions (monthly) and individual interviews. Contact the Office of Admissions for more information (617-585-0123 or admissions@the-bac.edu)

Curriculum Overview

Academic Curriculum	Academic Credits	Practice Credits
SEGMENT I: FOUNDATION		
Writing 1	3	
Design Media 2A (Orthogonal Drawing)	1.5	
Design Media 2B (Perspective Drawing)	1.5	
Freehand Drawing	3	
LA Year 1	1	
Design Principles	3	
Design Media 3A (Design Documentation – AutoCAD 2D)	1.5	
Design Media 3B (Design Documentation – AutoCAD 3D)	1.5	
Foundation Design A-1	3	
Foundation Design A-2	3	
Botany for Designers	3	
Writing 2	3	
LA Design 1 (LA 1 Studio – Intro to LA)	3	
Design Media 4	1.5	
LA Materials & Methods	1.5	
Math 2	3	
Horticultural Science 1 – Tress	3	
Segment I Portfolio Review	0	Levels 1 – 4
Sub-total	40.0 total	11.0 total
SEGMENT II: INTEGRATION		
LA Design 2 (LA-2 Studio-Concept/Synthesis)	3	
Horticultural Science 2 – Shrubs	3	
Ethics and Political Thought	3	
Advanced LA Studio: Natural Systems	3	
Geology / Landform Analysis	3	
LA Construction 1 (Grading)	3	
<i>DM 4 Elective</i> (Intro to GIS workshop Suggested)	1.5	
LA History 1	3	
Advanced LA Studio: Settlement/Housing	3	
LA Construction 2 (Drainage Irrigation)	3	
Advanced LA Studio: Urban Infrastructure / Traffic	3	
Topics in Social Structures	3	
Social Science Core	3	
LA Sketch Problem	1	
Segment II Portfolio Review	0	Levels 5 – 8
Sub-total	38.5 total	23.0 total
SEGMENT III: SYNTHESIS		
Advanced LA Studio: Campus/Institutional Planning	3	
LA History 2	3	
Open Elective	3	
LA Sketch Problem	1	
LA Advanced Studio Option	3	
Arts and Science Elective	3	
Social Science Research Methods	1.5	
Public Art	1	
LA Sketch Problem	1	
Planting Design 1	1.5	
LA Construction 3 (Site Details/Structures)	1.5	
Professional Practice	3	
Humanities Elective	3	
Landscape and the Imagination	4	
LA Degree Project Studio 1	6	
LA Degree Project Studio 2	6	
Arts and Science Elective	3	Levels 9 – 12
Sub-total	47.5 total	10.5 total
Total Credits	126 Academic Credits	45 Practice Credits