



**BOSTON
ARCHITECTURAL
COLLEGE**

Master of Landscape Architecture

Program:	First Professional Degree in Landscape Architecture at the graduate level
Length:	Five years, including some summer coursework (may be shorter depending on prior academic and work experience)
Location:	Our Back Bay location makes us a center for lectures on architecture, landscape architecture, interior design, real estate development, and city planning. Our campus at 320 Newbury Street, 950 Boylston and 100 Massachusetts Avenue is accessible by public transportation and convenient to those working in the Boston area.
School Philosophy:	The unique BAC philosophy is based on concurrent academic and practice-based education that takes place in both the classroom and the work place; students learn their profession by being taught and mentored by qualified designers, scientists, and liberal arts instructors and working in a variety of employment settings, ultimately for registered landscape architects. All degree students combine work in the design professions and attend classes, usually work in the day and school at night. This interplay of education and practice allows students to begin their careers well before graduation, providing graduates with a solid preparation for a career in landscape architecture.
Academic Component:	The program is comprised of foundation design courses in drafting, design media, geology, plant materials and ecology, a construction sequence for technical preparation, and design studios targeted to the concepts and challenges unique to the practice of landscape architecture. Classes are held in the late afternoon, evening, and occasional weekends.
Practice Component:	The Practice Component is the daytime “laboratory” portion of the BAC’s concurrent design education. Students work in a paid position in a design firm during the day. As a result, our graduates usually leave the BAC with substantial resumes, including professional experience and a diverse portfolio.
Faculty:	Educators and professional practitioners in architecture, interior design, planning, landscape architecture, science, and allied professions teach at the BAC. Approximately 450 adjunct faculty members serve as instructors and mentors each semester.
Students:	More than 1100 degree students are enrolled at the college. Students 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.
Tuition:	\$9,528 per semester (or \$12,753 per semester for the Academic Only Program) 2011-2012 Academic Year
Financial Aid:	New domestic students may be eligible for federally subsidized or unsubsidized loans.
Visiting:	Information sessions (monthly) and individual interviews. Contact the Office of Admissions for more information (617-585-0123 or admissions@the-bac.edu)

SEGMENT I: FOUNDATION				
Academic Curriculum	Credits	Semester	Credits	Practice Curriculum
Masters A Foundation Studio Master Design Principles Freehand Drawing LA Year 1	10	Semester 1		Level 1: LA Tech
LA Design Analysis L-1 Design Media 2A (Orthogonal Drawing) Design Media 2B (Perspective Drawing) Design Media 3A (AutoCad 2D) Design Media 3B (AutoCad 3D)	9	Semester 2		Level 2: LA Tech/Forman
LA Design Concepts/Synthesis LA Materials and Methods Intro GIS Public Art Hort Science 1 Trees	10	Summer		
Advanced LA Studio: Natural Systems Geology/Landform Environmental Ethics	9	Semester 3		Level 3: Entry Drafter
Horticulture Science 2- Shrubs <i>Summer Offering</i>	3	Semester 4		
Progress Review I	41 credits	Summer		Level 4: Drafter
Segment I Portfolio Review			11.5 Practice Credits	
SEGMENT II: INTEGRATION				
Advanced LA Studio: Settlement/Housing Planting Design 1 LA Construction 1 (Grading) SketchUp LA Sketch Problem	10	Semester 5		Level 5: Drafter/CAD
Advanced LA Studio: Urban Infrastructure Topics in Social Structures LA Construction 2 (Drainage Irrigation)	9	Semester 6		Level 6: CAD, Renderer, Model Maker
LA History 1 Advanced LA Studio: Institutional Planning Soc Sci Research Methods LA Construction 3 Site Details LA Sketch Problem	10	Summer		
Progress Review II		Semester 7		Level 7: Advanced CAD Drafter Field Representative
Ecology Systems LA History 2 Landscape and Imagination	10	Semester 8		Level 8: LA Designer 1, Cost Estimator
Segment II Portfolio Review	39 Credits		23 Practice Credits	
SEGMENT III: SYNTHESIS				
LA Thesis Seminar & Studio Professional Practice LA Sketch Problem	10	Semester 9		Level 9: Assist Job Captain
LA Master's Thesis 1	6	Semester 10		Level 10: Assistant Project Manager
	16 Credits		10.5 Practice Credits	Level 11: Project Manager
Academic Total	93 credits		45 credits	