Overview

The purpose of Honours within the Discipline of Architecture is to enable students who have performed well at undergraduate level to deepen their knowledge of design methods, knowledge and history by undertaking a significant research project. Honours is a means for connecting undergraduate study with supervised independent research by consolidating and extending work completed in the undergraduate program and providing an academic foundation for students continuing on to a Professional Masters, Masters by research or a PhD.

As part of the Honours program students will be expected to complete a significant independent research project and coursework study. In addition to conducting research and coursework students will generally also be expected to undertake research literacy training, Integrity in research training, attend OH & S and safety training and present seminars, write a literature review, and write a thesis.
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Learning Outcomes

1. Adapt knowledge and skills in diverse contexts with responsibility and accountability for own learning and practice and in collaboration with others within broad parameters
   Global Citizens

2. Plan and execute project work and/or a piece of research and scholarship with some independence
   Global Citizens

3. Apply knowledge and skills to demonstrate autonomy, well-developed judgment, adaptability and responsibility as a novice researcher within the discipline of Architecture.
   Scholars Professionals

4. Demonstrate communication skills necessary to present a clear and coherent exposition of knowledge and ideas to a variety of audiences.
   Scholars Professionals

5. Demonstrate cognitive skills to exercise critical thinking and judgement in developing new understandings of the discipline of architecture
   Professionals Scholars

6. Demonstrate technical skills to design and undertake research
   Scholars Professionals

7. Apply initiative and judgement in professional practice and/or scholarship
   Global Citizens

Graduate Capabilities:

For more information on Graduate Capabilities, please click on this link.
Program Structure

Students must complete 48 UOC as a standalone program.

Core Courses

Students must take 18 UOC of the following courses.

ARCH1481  |  12 UOC
Critical Review of Literature

BENV4000  |  6 UOC
Research Methods in the Built Environment

Thesis

Students must take 18 UOC of the following courses.

ARCH1483  |  18 UOC
Honours Thesis

Prescribed Electives

Students must take at least 12 UOC of the following courses.

ARCH7213  |  6 UOC
High Performance Building Systems

ARCH7214  |  6 UOC
Architecture and Politics

ARCH7215  |  6 UOC
Advanced Themes in Australian Architecture

ARCH7220  |  6 UOC
Architecture and Urbanism in Asia

ARCH7304  |  6 UOC
Architecture and the City

BENV7811 | 6 UOC
Urban Renewal

PLAN7156 | 6 UOC
Housing Policy and Finance

One of the following:
UDES0004 | 6 UOC
History and Theory of Urban Development and Design

UDES0009 | 6 UOC
Urban Landscape and Heritage

One of the following:
SUSD0002 | 6 UOC
Building Ecology and Life Cycle Thinking

SUSD0003 | 6 UOC
Energy and the Built Environment

**Enrolment Disclaimer**

Unless advised otherwise by your program authority, you should follow the rules for the handbook for the year you commenced your program. You are also responsible for ensuring you enrol in courses according to your program requirements. myUNSW enrolment checks that you have met enrolment requirements such as pre-requisites for individual courses but not that a course will count towards your program requirements.
Admission Requirements

Entry Requirements
Bachelor degree in Architectural Studies with the equivalent of a UNSW Credit average (minimum of 65 Weighted Average Mark).

For more information about admission requirements for various UNSW programs, visit the following website(s):

Domestic Students
International Student
Program Requirements

**Progression Requirements**

Progression rules are in accordance with university policy.

For more information on university policy on progression requirements please visit Academic Progression.
Pathways

Post Graduate

Master of Architecture - MArch 8143 Architecture

Faculty: Faculty of Built Environment
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 96
Typical Duration: 2 Years

Read More
Professional Outcomes

Professional Recognition
Students enrolled in the Bachelor of Architectural Studies program (3261) are eligible to become Student Members of the Royal Australian Institute of Architects. Graduates of Architectural Studies are eligible to apply for the Master of Architecture degree. It is this degree which will be accredited by the Royal Australian Institute of Architects (RAIA) and the Architects Accreditation Council of Australia (AACA) for the purpose of registration, subject to the prescribed professional experience and examination requirements.
Recognition of Achievement

University Medal

The University Medal is awarded to recognise outstanding academic performance by a bachelor degree student in line with the University Medal Policy and University Medal Procedure.

Honours Classes

The classes of Honours awarded are Class 1 or Class 2 Division 1 or Class 2 Division 2.

Students need to achieve the following to qualify for the various classes of Honours:

- Honours 1: WAM of 85+ in Honours Year
- Honours 2: 1 WAM of 75 to 84.99 in Honours Year
- Honours 2: 2 WAM of 65 to 74.99 in Honours Year

Students who achieve a WAM of between 50 and 64 will graduate with a Bachelor of Architectural Studies (Honours) but with no class of Honours specified.
**Program Fees**

At UNSW fees are generally charged at course level and therefore dependent upon individual enrolment and other factors such as student's residency status. For generic information on fees and additional expenses of UNSW programs, click on one of the following:

- **Domestic Students**
- **Commonwealth Supported Students**
- **International Students**

**Additional Expenses**

All enrolled students will have to purchase and maintain their own laptop but can access specialist software as required and supported by their supervisor via Central IT services i.e. SPSS, NVIVO and the like. Students are encouraged to purchase the required text, which is currently Groat, L. N. & Wang, D. C. (2013) Architectural research methods. 2nd ed. New York :Wiley.

The Faculty will support students on a case-by-case basis upon application of a fully developed, substantiated and costed research proposal for up to $500.00 worth of materials to cover, fabrication, postage etc. as required.
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