

Academic Year 2025/26

Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Architecture and Urban Planning (UCAS Code: K190)

Master of Architecture and Urban Planning (Architecture) (Code 1660U)

Master of Architecture and Urban Planning (Urban Design) (1667U)

**Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Architecture and Urban Planning (with Placement Year)
Code: (1695U)**

Notes

- (i) *These programme regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's Taught Programme Regulations.*
- (ii) *All optional modules are offered subject to the constraints of the timetable and to any restrictions on the number of students who may be taught on a particular module. Not all modules may be offered in all years and they are listed subject to availability.*
- (iii) *Unless otherwise stated under 'Type', modules are not core.*
- (iv) *A compulsory module is a module which a student is required to study.*
- (v) *A core module is a module which a student must pass, and in which a fail mark may neither be carried nor compensated; such modules are designated by the board of studies as essential for progression to a further stage of the programme or for study in a further module.*
- (vi) *All modules are delivered in Linear mode unless stated otherwise as Block, eLearning or distance learning.*

1. Stage 1

- (a) All candidates shall take the following compulsory modules:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
APL1002	Architectural and Planning Histories of the City	20	20		4	Core	
APL1003	Planning Contexts	20		20	4	Core	
ARC1007	Architectural Design 1.1	40	20	20	4	Core	
ARC1013	Architectural Technology 1.1: Explorations in Making Architecture	10	10		4	Core	
ARC1014	Architectural Technology 1.2: Principles of Constructing Architecture	10		10	4	Core	
ARC1015	Introduction to Architecture	20	10	10	4	Core	

- (b) Transfer to other programmes:

After completion of Stage 1, candidates may transfer to Stage 2 of BA Urban Planning (K421) or Master of Planning (K400).

Eligibility for a transfer from BA AUP Stage 1 to Stage 2 of BA Urban Planning (K421) or MPlan (K400) can only be considered if students have passed all Stage 1 (K190) modules and if they have passed APL1003 Planning Contexts with a minimum mark of 50%.

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2. Stage 2

(a) All candidates shall take the following compulsory modules:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
APL2001	Alternative Practice: Theories and Practices	20	20		6	Core	
APL2007	Visual and Creative Practice Research Skills	20		20	6	Core	

(b) All candidates shall take 80 credits of optional modules normally selected from the following list. Students should ideally select 40 credits of options from Semester 1 and 40 credits of options from Semester 2 to give a 60/60 split.

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
APL2006(^)*	Living Communally	20		20	6		
APL2015*	Relational Mapping, Design and Representation	40	40		6		
APL2035*	Participation: Theories and Practice	20		20	6		
SOC2085	Refugees & Displacement: Borders, Camps, & Asylum	20		20	5		
TCP2005	Houses and Homes	20	20		6		
TCP2025	Researching Local Economies	20	20		6		
TCP2028	Understanding Cities	20		20	6		
TCP2031	Digital Civics	20		20	6		
TCP2033	Urban Infrastructure: A Lens on the City	20	20		6		
TCP2036	Global Course on Institutional Design for Spatial Planning	20		20	6		

(^) APL2015 is a prerequisite to this module.

(a) ***RTPI or ARB/RIBA pathway**

(b) *From of the above options, candidates wishing to pursue RTPI accreditation will transfer to Master of Architecture and Urban Planning (Urban Design). Students wishing to pursue RIBA/ARB accreditation will transfer to Master of Architecture and Urban Planning (Architecture). On both pathways students must take and pass APL2006, APL2015 and APL2035 to proceed on either accredited programme.

For students starting the programme prior to academic year 2021/2022, they must have taken and passed TCP1019 or TCP1020 in Stage 1 to pursue RTPI accreditation.

For students starting the programme prior to academic year 2021/2022, they must have taken and passed ARC1014 in Stage 1 to pursue M-AUP (Architecture) for ARB/RIBA accreditation.

Year 3 (Placement Year)

- (a) On completion of Stage 2 and before entering Stage 3 candidates may, as part of their studies for the degree, spend a year in a placement with an approved organisation. Permission to undertake a placement is subject to the approval of the Degree Programme Director. Students who are required to re-sit their Stage 2 assessment must delay the start of their placement until they have done so. Students who fail Stage 2 may not complete a placement year.
- (b) All candidates shall take the following compulsory module:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Credits Sem 3</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
NCL3000	Career Service Placement Year Module	120	60	60		6		Blended Learning

Please note if you undertake the placement year you will not be allowed to transfer to the integrated master routes in Stage 3.

3. Stage 3

- (a) All candidates shall take the following compulsory module:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
APL3007*	Dissertation in Architecture, Urbanism and Landscape	40	20	20	6		

*This module is core for Master of Architecture and Urban Planning (Architecture) and (Urban Design) candidates.

- (b) BA Architecture and Urban Planning candidates shall take 80 credits of optional modules normally selected from the following list (students are advised to select 40 credits from each semester in order to give a 60/60 credit balance).

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
APL3001 (^)	Alternative Practice: Co-producing Space	20		20	6		
APL3004	Chinese Cultural History and Urban Development	20		20	6		
APL3008* (^)	Green Infrastructure for Well-being and Biodiversity	20	20		6		
APL3010*	Climate Literacy: From philosophies to practice	20	20		6		
APL3011*	Landscape Architecture Studio 2: City as Landscape	20		20	6		

APL3012*	Landscape Architecture Studio 2: Materiality of Landscape	20		20	6		
EIN3000	Enterprise and Entrepreneurship with Lean Innovation	20	10	10	6		
NCL3007	Career Development for final year students	20	10	10	6		
SOC3081	Exploring city life: an introduction to contemporary urban anthropology and sociology	20	20		6		
TCP3028	Strategies into Action: Planning	20	20		6		
TCP3053	Development Management	20		20	6		
TCP3055	Study Abroad	40	40		6		

(^) APL2015, APL2006 are prerequisites to these modules.

* These modules are recommended for students who are interested in Landscape Architecture.

- (a) **Master of Architecture and Urban Planning (Urban Design)** candidates shall take the following compulsory modules:

Code	Descriptive title	Total Credits	Credits Sem 1	Credits Sem 2	Level	Type	Mode
APL3001	Alternative Practice: Co-producing Space	20		20	6	Core	
APL3008	Green Infrastructure for Well-being and Biodiversity	20	20		6	Core	
TCP3053	Development Management	20		20	6	Core	

- (b) **Master of Architecture and Urban Planning (Urban Design)** candidates shall take 20 credits of optional modules in semester 1, selected from the following list

TCP3028	Strategies into Action: Planning	20	20		6		
APL3010	Climate Literacy Philosophy	20	20		6		

- (a) **Master of Architecture and Urban Planning (Architecture)** candidates shall take the following compulsory modules:

Code	Descriptive title	Total Credits	Credits Sem 1	Credits Sem 2	Level	Type	Mode
APL3001	Alternative Practice: Co-producing Space	20		20	6	Core	

APL3008	Green Infrastructure for Well-being and Biodiversity	20	20		6	Core	
APL3009	Climate Literacy: Philosophies to Practice	10	10		6	Core	
APL3017	Construction, Energy and Professional Practice	20		20	6	Core	
ARC2016	Architectural Technology 2: Construction in Detail	10	10		6	Core	

4. Awards & accreditation

- a) Candidates who successfully complete Stages 1-3 will be awarded BA (Hons) Architecture and Urban Planning.
- b) Master of Architecture and Urban Planning (Urban Design)
Candidates who have taken and passed the requisite modules for the urban design pathway can proceed to Certificate of Planning Practice (3038U) if they have an overall programme average of 50%.
- c) Master of Architecture and Urban Planning (Architecture)
Candidates who have taken and passed the requisite modules for the Architecture pathway and who have achieved an overall stage average of at least 50 in stage 3 including a 60% average across, APL2006, APL3008, APL3017 and APL3001 can proceed to Stage 4. Candidates will graduate upon completion of Stage 4 to gain the ARB/RIBA Part 1 exemption subject to confirmation of ARB prescription and RIBA validation.

5. Stage 4

- (a) **Master of Architecture and Urban Planning (Urban Design)** candidates shall take the following compulsory modules after successful completion of 3038U Certificate of Planning Practice:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
APL8014	Urban design and the use of design codes	20		20	7	Core	
ARC8069	Housing Alternatives	40		40	7	Core	
ARC8115	Design studio	40	40		7	Core	
TCP8052	Urban Design Seminars	10	10		7	Core	
TCP8942	Reflective Practitioner (MPlan version)	10	10		7	Core	

- (b) **Master of Architecture and Urban Planning (Architecture)** candidates shall take the following compulsory modules:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
ARC3016	Architectural Technology 3: Integrated Construction and	20	5	15	6	Core	

	Practice						
ARC8090	Architectural Design	60	30	30	7	Core	
ARC8091	Climate Literacy: Tools for Action	20	20		7	Core	
ARC8092	Academic Portfolio	20	10	10	7	Core	

6. Assessment methods

Details of the assessment pattern for each module are explained in the module outline.

7. Degree classification & Exit award

The final degree classification for BA (Hons) Architecture and Urban Planning will be calculated on the basis of all the modules taken at Stages 2 and 3 with the weighting of the stages being 1:2 for Stage 2 and Stage 3 respectively.

The final degree classification for the Master of Architecture and Urban Planning (Urban Design) and Master of Architecture and Urban Planning (Architecture) will be calculated on a 1:2:3 weighting across stages 2, 3 & 4. Master of Architecture and Urban Planning (Architecture) will have at least 50% of the programme assessed via design assessments.

A candidate who fails to satisfy the requirements for the award may be awarded BA (Hons) Architecture and Urban Planning, Master of Architecture and Urban Planning (Urban Design) – Unaccredited (1668U) or Master of Architecture and Urban Planning (Architecture) - Unaccredited (1661U) if they fail up to 20 credits of Stage 4 modules.

8. Exemptions

The Master of Architecture and Urban Planning Urban Planning awards have been granted a number of exemptions from University Regulations:

Specific Progression and Classification Rules for Integrated Master's Programmes

- (i) To allow a stage average of 40 to be used for progression from Stage 2 to Stage 3.
- (ii) To require all modules to be passed for the award of an integrated master's degree.

The following exemptions apply only to the Master of Architecture and Urban Planning (Architecture) award:

Specific Progression and Classification Rules for Integrated Master's Programmes

- (iii) To allow a stage average of 40 to be used for progression from Stage 2 to Stage 3.
- (iv) To require all modules to be passed for the award of an integrated master's degree.
- (v) To permit the award of a degree of the class indicated by the final programme average following a second attempt for candidates successfully retaking modules at the final stage.

Assessment Regulations for Taught Programmes

- (v) Allow students who fail academic (non-design) Stage 4 modules the opportunity to re-submit their assessments at a date in advance of the next normal occasion, should they wish to do so, and subject to Module-Leader and DPD agreement in each case.

Qualifications and Credit Framework

- (vi) Allow for an exemption to the Qualifications and Credits Framework to permit 100 credits of Level 7 and 20 credits of Level 6 modules at Stage 4.