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ARCHITECTURE MArch
(ARB/RIBA Part 2) /
2018/19 ENTRY

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The Architecture MArch is a two-year full-time Master’s degree which, in addition, leads to the award of ARB/RIBA Part 2. The programme has an international reputation and is generally regarded as one of the leading Part 2 programmes in the UK.

**Degree summary**

The MArch unit system of teaching ensures that an open, diverse and critical debate is sustained by the school on what constitutes architecture, and reinforces The Bartlett’s ethos that architectural knowledge and expertise is synthesised throughout the student’s own projects. Much of the current work by staff and students is at the forefront of developing new intellectual and formal concepts in global architecture discourse.

The UCL Bartlett is the UK’s largest multidisciplinary Faculty of the Built Environment, bringing together scientific and professional specialisms required to research, understand, design, construct and operate the buildings and urban environments of the future.

The Bartlett has a substantial number of international students from all parts of the world, providing a dynamic global exchange of ideas, views and knowledge. Our research, partnerships, enterprise and knowledge-sharing activities similarly address all kinds of the built environment - from internal spaces, building systems and virtual environments to rural areas, from landscapes and towns to mega-cities. The school has repeatedly been voted 'best architectural school in the UK' in The Architects’ Journal, AJ100 poll. Over the past 20 years Bartlett nominees for the RIBA President’s Medals have won more student awards than any other school.

Located in London, we are at the heart of the world’s largest cluster of creative architects and engineering firms, next to the UK’s seat of government and finance and with all the resources of a world city to hand.

Successful completion of the programme leads to UCL’s Architecture MArch and, in addition, exemption from Part 2 of the ARB/RIBA examinations.

Study at The Bartlett School of Architecture is enriched by the vibrant community of specialist consultants, partners and research associates who provide valuable contact with industry and academia. Many of our staff are themselves in practice. Our students benefit from the most advanced and broad suite of facilities available in any similar faculty in the EU.

The unit system of teaching is supported by lectures and seminars given by a diverse spectrum of leading practitioners and academics. Design work accounts for 65% of the programme, and assessment is through portfolio, essay, design realisation report, and thesis.

There is one field trip (optional) annually as part of the programme.

Maximum cost to the student is £500

**Accreditation**

RIBA/ARB Part 2 is awarded upon successful completion of the MArch Architecture programme.

Overseas students who do not have Part 1 upon commencing the programme and are seeking professional registration in the UK must contact the Architects Registration Board separately in order to gain ARB Part 1.

**Degree structure**

**Mode:** Full-time: 2 years  
**Location:** London, Bloomsbury

The programme consists of five core elements. The first year (known as Year Four) comprises three modules, followed by two modules in the final year (known as Year Five).

**YEAR FOUR**

- Advanced Architectural Design I
- Design Realisation (Technology and Professional Practice)
- Advanced Architectural Studies (History and Theory)
- Advanced Architectural Design 2*
- Advanced Architectural Thesis*

*Year Five modules

**OPTIONAL MODULES**

- There are no optional modules for this programme.

**RESEARCH PROJECT/DESIGN PROJECT**

- Students spend their final year undertaking Advanced Architectural Design 2, a major design project, in combination with Advanced Architectural Thesis, a research project related to aspects of their design studio work.
Your career

Bartlett graduates are amongst the most sought-after employees by leading and emerging practices including Foster + Partners, Rogers Stirk Harbour + Partners, Make, Arup, Zaha Hadid Architects, HOK, and Heatherwick Studio. Other graduates have formed their own practices or forged successful careers in parallel practices such as time-based media, exhibitions and events, urban design, and furniture design and/or film-making.

Recent career destinations* include:
- Architectural Assistant, Fosters + Partners
- Architectural Assistant, Grimshaw Architects
- Architectural Graduate, Arup
- Associate Architect, Tonkin Liu
- Architectural Assistant, Níall McLaughlin Architects

Employability

This combination of networks, knowledge and technical expertise makes our graduates some of the most highly valued in the world, with 95% securing employment within six months of graduation. Some choose to progress to further study and teaching, many go on to roles in design and the built environment and with some of the world’s top architecture practices.

* Careers data is taken from the 'Destinations of Leavers from Higher Education' survey undertaken by HESA looking at the destinations of UK and EU students in the 2013-2015 graduating cohorts six months after graduation.
**Entry requirements**

Normally a minimum of a second-class Bachelor's degree in Architecture from a UK university or an overseas qualification in Architecture of an equivalent standard. Corporate membership of one of the following UK professional institutions: the Chartered Institution of Building Services Engineers (CIBSE); the Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB); the Institution of Civil Engineers (ICE); the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA); the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors (RICS); and the Royal Town Planning Institute (RTPI). All Architecture candidates are asked to present a portfolio of design work. Candidates will be contacted regarding their design work once their application has been received.

**English language proficiency level**

If your education has not been conducted in the English language, you will be expected to demonstrate evidence of an adequate level of English proficiency.

The level of English language proficiency for this programme is: **Standard**.

Information about the evidence required, acceptable qualifications and test providers is provided at: [www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/english-requirements](http://www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/english-requirements)

**Your application**

Students are advised to apply as early as possible due to competition for places. Those applying for scholarship funding (particularly overseas applicants) should take note of application deadlines.

When we assess your application we would like to learn:

- why you want to study Architecture at graduate level
- why you want to study Architecture at UCL
- what particularly attracts you to the chosen programme
- how your academic and professional background meets the demands of this challenging programme
- where you would like to go professionally with your degree

Together with essential academic requirements, the personal statement is your opportunity to illustrate whether your reasons for applying to this programme match what the programme will deliver.

Application fee: There is an application processing fee for this programme of £75 for online applications and £100 for paper applications. More details about the application fee can be found at [www.ucl.ac.uk/prospective-students/graduate/taught/application](http://www.ucl.ac.uk/prospective-students/graduate/taught/application).

**FEES AND FUNDING 2018/19 ENTRY**

- **UK**: £9,250 (FT)
- **EU**: £9,250 (FT)
- **Overseas**: £23,540 (FT)

The tuition fees shown are for the year indicated above. Fees for subsequent years may increase or otherwise vary. Further information on fee status, fee increases and the fee schedule can be viewed on the UCL Current Students website.

UK students who completed their Architecture BSc (ARB/RIBA Part 1) in the UK at pre-2012 rates (i.e. before the undergraduate tuition fee cap increased to £9,000) will be eligible for a lower fee of £3,465, as long as they have not taken more than three years out between completion of the BSc and embarking upon the MArch. It is the student’s responsibility to prove their eligibility.

Currently the programme has three awards of £5000 per annum available to successful candidates. In addition it has one award that covers the full student fees per annum.

The bursaries are awarded by Rogers Stirk Harbour + Partners, KPF, Hawkins Brown and the WESLDE Trust.

Full details of funding opportunities can be found on the UCL Scholarships website: [www.ucl.ac.uk/scholarships](http://www.ucl.ac.uk/scholarships)

**APPLICATION DEADLINE**

Full-time: 23 March 2018

Details on how to apply are available on the website at: [www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/apply](http://www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/apply)

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**EU referendum**

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