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OF HARTFORD

MASTER OF ARCHITECTURE

A PROFESSIONAL DEGREE PROGRAM ACCREDITED BY
THE NATIONAL ARCHITECTURAL ACCREDITING BOARD



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OVERVIEW

The Department of Architecture at the University of Hartford is a diverse community of practitioners, teachers, and students dedicated to educating future architectural professionals and growing the knowledge base of the profession. Our commitment is to engage architecture in its civic, social, and professional realms for the ultimate benefit of the built environment and those who use it.

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The challenge in Architecture graduate programs is to ensure that integrative learning takes place, that students can approach an architectural project with a range of skills beyond design. Our design studio curriculum addresses:

- critical thinking
- creativity and design
- problem definition
- history and theory
- problem solving
- documentation skills
- presentation skills
- cross-disciplinary teamwork

ARCHITECTURE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HARTFORD

- Collaborative Multi-discipline and Practice-based program
- Relates to university's mission of "public purpose" in civic, social and professional realms.

MASTER OF ARCHITECTURE ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must hold a bachelor's degree in architecture (or equivalent) from an accredited collegiate institution with a GPA of at least 3.0. The student's background and preparation must be such in content and scope as to indicate the ability to complete successfully the curriculum requirements.

In some instances, students may be allowed to make up specific deficiencies after admission; however, credits earned through such work will not apply toward completion of program requirements.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

The admissions review committee will consider only complete applications. All application materials should be sent to the Graduate Office at the following address: Center for Adult and Graduate Academic Services, CC231; University of Hartford; 200 Bloomfield Avenue; West Hartford, CT 06117 USA.

The following items are required:

- An application
- A non-refundable application fee of \$45 (checks payable to the University of Hartford)
- Official transcripts for all collegiate level coursework forwarded to the University of Hartford
- International transcripts must be evaluated through the world Education Services/WES at www.wes.org
- A letter of intent as specified in the application form
- 3 Letters of recommendation
- A portfolio of representative school work in architecture or professional architectural projects, as described in the application. (Applicants wishing to have their portfolios returned must include with their applications a self-addressed envelope with sufficient postage. All other materials will become the property of the University of Hartford)
- Official TOEFL score forwarded to the University of Hartford using school code 3436 (International Students Only). The minimum score expected is at least a 550 paper-based, or 79-80 iBT. Visit www.ets.org. IELTS is also accepted. Minimum score of 6.5. visit: www.ielts.org.
- Guarantor's Statement (International Students Only). The cost to study for one year (2 semesters) within the University of Hartford's Master of Architecture is \$28,995.00. This figure does include an estimate for living expenses. As part of the application, an international student MUST prove that he/she has this amount of money through a bank statement. This statement is also used to issue the student an I-20 form.

PORTFOLIO INFORMATION

The portfolio should demonstrate the applicant's ability in architectural design and graphic communication. In addition to traditional examples in architectural design, sketches and renderings, and construction documents, work may include examples of architectural history and theory, structures, building technology, and other related areas. Professional work may also be included but a letter from the employer clearly stating the extent of the



To further address cross-disciplinary and integrative development, the Department supports several combined or dual degree programs in conjunction with other graduate programs at the University of Hartford; three of the most popular at the graduate level are:

- MArch/MFA
- MArch/MBA
- MArch/MEngr

applicant's contribution must be attached. The portfolio must be in an 8 1/2" x 11" format and bound on the edge. Maximum size is 25 sheets. Applicants wishing to have their portfolios returned must include with their applications a self-addressed envelope with sufficient postage. All other materials will become the property of the University of Hartford.

DEADLINES AND DATES

Admission into the Master of Architecture can occur for only the fall Semester. Deadline to apply for the Fall term is open until commencement of the fall term. The admissions committee will review complete applications in the order in which they are received. Students who wish to explore the program prior to formal admission may enroll in up to 6 credits of graduate course work.

COSTS OF ATTENDANCE

Graduate students in the Architecture program are charged a flat full-time tuition rate which in the 2010-2011 academic year is \$17,500. Coursework taken outside the regular fall and spring terms will be charged on a per-credit-hour rate. The 2010-2011 academic year per-credit-hour rate for courses in the Master of Architecture is \$740 per credit hour.

FINANCIAL AID

Domestic Financial Aid

Student financial assistance for graduate and professional students through the Office of Admission and Student Financial Assistance at the University of Hartford is limited to the Federal Family Education Loan and supplemental loan programs. Students must meet all eligibility requirements as established by the U.S. Department of Education.

There are three items which students must satisfy in order to be eligible for financial aid:

- Be matriculated into a graduate degree-granting program maintaining good satisfactory academic progress (not conditionally accepted).
- Be registered for at least 6 credits per semester
- File the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for the academic year and meet all eligibility requirements established by the U.S. Department of Education.

For more information, call 800.947.4303 or e-mail finaid@hartford.edu

International Financial Aid

Financial Aid for international graduate students is currently limited to Graduate Assistantships. These assistantships are administered by the individual departments throughout the University and vary in size and availability.

Assistantships and Fellowships

Students are encouraged to contact the Office of the Dean of their respective school or college at the University of Hartford regarding the availability of assistantships or fellowships in their specific program of study. The Department of Architecture may offer tuition scholarships and graduate assistantships to entering and returning students on a funds available basis. Please note, assistantships, fellowships or other support a student receives as a result of their enrollment may impact Federal Stafford Loan eligibility.



Our next open houses are:

AUGUST 24, 2010

JANUARY 11, 2011

To make a reservation,
click here.



PROGRAM OF STUDY

The Master of Architecture program is a 64 credit, two – year, full-time only program. The schedule of coursework is as follows:

FIRST FALL SEMESTER

- ARC 511 Architectural Studio I [6 credits]
- ARC 512 Advanced Site Planning [4]
- ARC 513 Advanced Building Systems [3]
- Professional Elective [3]

FIRST SPRING SEMESTER

- ARC 521 Architectural Studio II [6]
- ARC 522 Advanced Building Economics [4]
- ARC 523 Advanced Structural Systems [3]
- Professional Elective [3]

SECOND FALL SEMESTER

- ARC 611 Architectural Studio III [6]
- ARC 612 Advanced Design Theory [4]
- ARC 613 Thesis Research [3]
- Professional Elective [3]

SECOND SPRING SEMESTER

- ARC 621 Master's Thesis [6]
- ARC 622 Advanced Urban Issues [4]
- ARC 623 Advanced Professional Practice [3]
- Professional Elective [3]

FURTHER INFORMATION

The Center for Graduate and Adult Academic Services would be happy to provide more specific information about a degree program or answer any other questions you may have. Please contact the office at: GradStudy@hartford.edu or by phone 860.768.4371 or 800.945.0712.

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