

ARCHITECTURAL STUDIES MAJOR

Architectural Studies is a two-year cooperative program with Kansas State University that began in 1987. The accredited curriculum at the KSU College of Architecture Planning and Design is offered at UMKC for the first two years of study. After successfully completing the coursework at UMKC, students are eligible for entry to Kansas State University, College of Architecture Planning and Design. There, students can study architecture, interior architecture and landscape architecture. Students must maintain a minimum 2.75 GPA in the Architectural Studies program.

Architectural Accreditation

The Kansas State University College of Architecture, Planning and Design (with which the UMKC Architectural Studies Program collaboratively participates) is accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB).

In the United States, most state registration boards require a degree from an accredited professional degree program as a prerequisite for licensure. The National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB), which is the sole agency authorized to accredit U.S. professional degree programs in architecture, recognizes two types of degrees: the bachelor of architecture and the master of architecture.

A program may be granted a five-year, three-year, or two-year term of accreditation, depending on its degree of conformance with established educational standards.

Master's degree programs may consist of a pre-professional undergraduate degree and professional graduate degree, which, when earned sequentially, comprise an accredited professional education. However, the pre-professional degree is not, by itself, recognized as an accredited degree