Master of Landscape Architecture

Early in this course you’ll explore landscape histories; plants for urban and natural systems as well as learn to design climate responsive landscapes. You’ll then gain an understanding of research strategies in design and sustainable urban design, including how Indigenous culture in Australia influences landscape architectural and architectural design.

Later in your degree you’ll engage in studies involving planning and management of special design projects and contribute to interdisciplinary teams of built environment professionals. Throughout your course, you’ll engage in hands-on intensive studio units that explore the concept of ‘play’ in urban design spaces and involve real-world industry-directed design briefs that investigate environmental change and social justice concerns.

In your final semester you will complete a thesis project that will represent a proposed intervention in the real world that could create a significant contribution to the field of landscape architecture.

Why choose this course?
This masters by coursework covers the key areas of knowledge required to be a registered landscape architect. You’ll learn how landscape architecture can meaningfully contribute to current global challenges, including issues surrounding social justice and environmental change.

With multiple modes of engagement and learning you’ll benefit from hands-on design studios incorporating industry engagement and real-world scenarios to gain practical knowledge, experience and skills. Theory-based units will also encourage you to explore key societal issues and discover how landscape architects can be proactive and contribute to sustainable built and natural environments.

This degree qualifies you to begin the journey to registration as an RLA (Registered Landscape Architect).

Flexible delivery
The course is offered with delivery modes designed to fit with your busy lifestyle with units taught through either fully online mode or online with a face-to-face component that provide immersive experiences in the classroom and outside in relevant landscape

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‘My tutors at QUT have inspired me to no end, opening doors for me to achieve my goals and passions. Since graduating, I have worked on some major projects including the West Village Commons from start to finish. As a landscape architect, my work sits at the precipice of collaboration between the sciences and planning – the perfect realm to create positive change.’

Accurate as at 18/09/2020. For the latest information see: https://www.qut.edu.au/courses/master-of-landscape-architecture
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Real-world learning
You'll benefit from over 50 years history as one of Australia's principal landscape educators. Teaching staff are linked to professional practice to ensure you gain knowledge of emerging trends within industry. Your studies are grounded in real-world learning expertise in diverse cultural perspectives, interdisciplinary learning, sustainability and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Perspectives.

The course will be delivered through a combination of online and on-campus components.

Entry requirements

2 year program
A completed Australian bachelor degree (or equivalent) (or higher award) in landscape architecture; or
A completed recognised overseas bachelor program in landscape architecture and an approved portfolio demonstrating core skills in landscape architecture; or
A completed recognised bachelor degree (or equivalent) (or higher award) in a relevant discipline such as architecture and an approved portfolio demonstrating core skills in landscape architecture.

1.5 year program
Successful completion of the Bachelor of Design (Landscape Architecture) (DV43); or successful completion of the Graduate Certificate of Designing Resilient Landscapes (DE70) and an approved portfolio demonstrating core skills in landscape architecture; or
Successful completion of an Architects Accreditation Council of Australia (AACA) accredited masters course in architecture and an approved portfolio demonstrating core skills in landscape architecture.

1 year program
Successful completion of the Bachelor of Design (Honours) (Landscape Architecture) (DE42).

Course structure
To meet the course requirements for the Master of Landscape Architecture, you must complete a total of 192 credit points, made up of:

- thirteen core units (192 credit points). Three of these units (72 credit points) are 24-credit-point Studio units.

Some units may be offered fully online or online with a face-to-face component.

If you have a relevant prior degree you may be able to complete the course in 1 or 1.5 years. See the Requirements tab for information about eligibility.

Careers and outcomes
Graduates from our courses have successful careers across the landscape architecture spectrum, including design work in education, housing, public works, health and corrections sectors, within large and small-scale private and public sector bodies.

The Master of Landscape Architecture will leave you well placed to practice confidently as a landscape architect, working and connecting with fellow professionals such as architects, planners, ecologists, horticulturalists, engineers and scientists and a range of diverse stakeholders.

On successful completion of this course, you may be eligible to apply for entry into the IF80 Master of Philosophy or the IF49 Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

Fees
FEE-HELP
You may be eligible for FEE-HELP, a loan scheme to help you pay your course fees, if you are an Australian citizen or hold an Australian permanent humanitarian visa. For other conditions read the FEE-HELP information.

Student Services and Amenities Fee
You'll need to pay the student services and amenities fee as part of your course costs. You may be eligible for SA-HELP, a loan scheme to help you pay your student services and amenities fee, if you are an Australian citizen or hold an Australian permanent humanitarian visa. For other conditions read the SA-HELP information.