

# LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

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<b>Program Code</b>	LARCH
<b>Campus(es)</b>	University Park (M.L.A., M.S.)
<b>Degrees Conferred</b>	Master of Science (M.S.) Master of Landscape Architecture (M.L.A.) Dual-Title M.S. in Landscape Architecture and Transdisciplinary Research on Environment and Society Integrated B.L.A. in Landscape Architecture and M.S. in Landscape Architecture
<b>The Graduate Faculty</b>	View ( <a href="https://secure.gradsch.psu.edu/gpms/?searchType=fac&amp;prog=LARCH">https://secure.gradsch.psu.edu/gpms/?searchType=fac&amp;prog=LARCH</a> )

Landscape Architecture is the art of design, planning, or management of the land and of the natural and built elements upon it. As an academic discipline, it embodies creative, cultural, philosophical, and scientific knowledge bases. As a professional endeavor, the practice of landscape architecture includes site design, urban design, master planning, community planning, regional planning, resource conservation, and environmental and social stewardship.

## Master of Landscape Architecture (M.L.A.)

The M.L.A. program is an accredited professional degree program focused on preparation to practice Landscape Architecture for students who hold a bachelor's degree in another field. The Master of Landscape Architecture program prepares students to enter the profession of Landscape Architecture. It provides individuals who do not already have a practice-oriented design degree with a professionally accredited education in landscape architecture. The program prepares graduates for entry into professional offices or further study in Landscape Architecture or related disciplines.

## M.S. in Landscape Architecture

The Master of Science in Landscape Architecture is a 2-year program that provides enhanced professional/scientific expertise to individuals who hold a professionally-accredited degree in Landscape Architecture or in Architecture. It's a great opportunity for those who seek to gain research skills, whether for professional practice or as preparation for success in academic positions.

This research-focused degree lets you work with outstanding faculty across Penn State on a targeted research agenda that may range from Landscape Performance Assessment to Built Environment and Active Living to Integrative Conservation—you and your adviser craft a tailored curricular path to suit your goals.