

# LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE, BLA

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Admission to the professional program during the sophomore year, or in the second year of the degree plan, is on a competitive basis.

Students completing the requirements for this program are awarded a BLA degree. Because the BLA is an integrated degree program, it cannot be added as an additional major ("double major") by students pursuing other degree programs. Students who are admitted to and complete the BLA degree may not declare or be awarded additional majors in combination with the BLA degree. However, BLA students are permitted to complete certificate programs.

1. **Eligibility for Consideration into the Landscape Architecture Accredited Professional Program.** Eligibility for consideration into the Landscape Architecture Accredited Professional Program depends on fulfillment of these requirements: students apply for formal admission to the program during the spring semester of each academic year. Selections are made only once a year for the fall semester. The first round of selections takes place in early summer. All students will be notified of their status at least two weeks before the start of the fall semester. Students who plan to complete their prerequisite courses during the summer session must so indicate on their application. The department will admit up to a maximum of 30 students, as resources permit. Selection will be based on a letter of intent, written by the applicant, which will address their reasons for entering the major, submission of portfolio, and on grades earned in the following two prerequisite courses: LAND ARC 250 **AND** LAND ARC 210 or LAND ARC 366.
2. **AND** the applicant must have completed a minimum of 24 credit hours. University GPA will be considered.  
For more information on the professional design degree program and the application process please go to this link (<https://dpla.wisc.edu/>).
3. **Selection Policies.** On-campus selections for admission will be made as soon as possible after spring semester grades are received.
4. **Notification of Status.** Applicants who have completed their prerequisite courses at the end of spring semester will be notified of their status between June 1 and July 1 of each year for fall semester admission. Decisions on those applicants completing prerequisites during summer session will be made as soon as grades are received.
5. **Appeal Procedures.** An appeal to the department's curriculum committee may be presented to clarify an error of fact or extenuating circumstances.