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DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN ARCHITECTURE

(INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM)

CURRICULUM STRUCTURE

Research-based Study Plans

PLAN 1.1

For Applicants with a Master's Degree



Focus on advanced research and create new knowledge in architecture.

CURRICULUM STRUCTURE

COMPONENT	CREDITS
Coursework	—
Doctoral Thesis	48
TOTAL	48 CREDITS



TYPICAL DURATION
3 Years



IDEAL FOR
Applicants who already hold a Master's degree and wish to focus entirely on doctoral research.

PLAN 1.2

For Applicants with a Bachelor's Degree



For outstanding graduates who wish to pursue doctoral research directly.

CURRICULUM STRUCTURE

COMPONENT	CREDITS
Coursework	—
Doctoral Thesis	72
TOTAL	72 CREDITS



TYPICAL DURATION
5 Years



IDEAL FOR
Outstanding Bachelor's degree holders who wish to continue to a Ph.D. program and develop advanced research.

ACADEMIC MILESTONES



English Requirement



Qualifying Examination (QE)



Research Proposal Examination



Conduct Doctoral Research



International Publication(s)



International Conference Presentation



Final Doctoral Thesis Examination



Graduation



WHICH PLAN SHOULD YOU CHOOSE?

PLAN 1.1

If you already hold a Master's degree and want to focus on doctoral research.



48
Credits



3
Years



Research Only

PLAN 1.2

If you hold a Bachelor's degree and wish to pursue a Ph.D. directly.



72
Credits



5
Years



Research Only



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CURRICULUM STRUCTURE

Coursework + Research Study Plans

PLAN 2.1

For Applicants with a Master's Degree

Strengthen research methodology and knowledge to conduct advanced doctoral research.

CURRICULUM STRUCTURE

COMPONENT	CREDITS
Coursework	12
Doctoral Thesis	36
TOTAL	48

48
TOTAL
CREDITS



TYPICAL DURATION
3 Years

REQUIRED COURSES (12 CREDITS)

- ✓ Advanced Research Method (3)
- ✓ Advanced Theory and Philosophy in Architecture (3)
- ✓ Research Paradigms and Methods in Architecture (3)
- ✓ Field Work Research Practice (3)



BEST FOR

Applicants with a Master's degree who wish to strengthen research methodology before conducting doctoral research.

PLAN 2.2

For Applicants with a Bachelor's Degree

Build advanced knowledge and research foundation before undertaking doctoral research.

CURRICULUM STRUCTURE

COMPONENT	CREDITS
Coursework	36
Doctoral Thesis	48
TOTAL	84

84
TOTAL
CREDITS



TYPICAL DURATION
5 Years

COURSEWORK (36 CREDITS)

- 4 Required Courses 12 credits
- Elective Courses (from advanced undergraduate courses) 24 credits



BEST FOR

Outstanding Bachelor's graduates who wish to build advanced knowledge before doctoral research.

ACADEMIC JOURNEY



Coursework



English
Requirement



Qualifying
Examination (QE)



Proposal
Examination



Doctoral
Research



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Final Doctoral
Thesis Examination



Graduation



WHICH PLAN SHOULD YOU CHOOSE?

PLAN 2.1

- ✓ Master's Degree
- ✓ 48 Credits in Total

12
Coursework
Credits

36
Thesis
Credits

3
Years

PLAN 2.2

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree
- ✓ 84 Credits in Total

36
Coursework
Credits

48
Thesis
Credits

5
Years



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