

UNIVERSITY STUDIES

GLOBAL ARTS, PLANNING, DESIGN, & CONSTRUCTION

WHAT IS UNIVERSITY STUDIES?

University Studies – Global Arts, Planning, Design & Construction – is a unique degree plan that is made just for you! With a foundational knowledge of global art, planning, design and construction along with the two minors you select, each degree plan is as unique as you are.

University Studies degree options at Texas A&M University are offered by each college. This format provides students flexibility to create individualized degree plans, and provides additional opportunities for access to courses in colleges that may have restricted admission.

The College of Architecture offers a University Studies Degree concentration or minor in architecture. The 25-credit-hour architecture concentration is uniquely administered by the college, rather than by a department, and includes coursework in all four college departments.

A required five-week summer study abroad program gives students the opportunity to learn from industry-related faculty in foreign countries. 15-week programs are also available for more in-depth study.

AREAS OF INTEREST

- Construction
- Urban planning
- Graphic design
- Surveying and mapping
- Geography
- Environmental science
- Land development
- Real estate

UNIVERSITY STUDIES CATALOG 143 (2020-2021) PROGRAM SEMESTER CURRICULUM*

LISTING	CLASS	CREDITS
DESIGN		
<i>Select one of the following:</i>		
ARCH 249	<i>Survey of World Architecture History 1</i>	3
ARCH 250	<i>Survey of World Architecture History 2</i>	3
ARTS 111	<i>Drawing 1</i>	3
ARTS 149	<i>Survey of Art History 1</i>	3
ARTS 150	<i>Survey of Art History 2</i>	3
COSC 175/ AREN 175	<i>Construction Graphics Communication</i>	3
ENDS 101	<i>Design Process</i>	3
GLOBAL AND CULTURAL DISCOURSE		
CARC 101	<i>Cultural and Social Issues in the Natural, Built, and Virtual Environment</i>	3
CONSTRUCTION		
<i>Select one of the following:</i>		
COSC 253	<i>Construction Materials Methods 1</i>	3
COSC 153	<i>Introduction to the Construction Industry</i>	3
LEADERSHIP		
ALED 340	<i>Theory of Leadership</i>	3
URBAN PLANNING		
<i>Select one of the following:</i>		
URPN 202	<i>Building Better Cities</i>	3
URPN 201	<i>The Evolving City</i>	3
STUDY ABROAD ²		
CARC 481	<i>Seminar</i>	1
CARC 311	<i>Field Studies in Design Communication</i> ¹	3
CARC 331	<i>Field Studies in Design Philosophy</i> ¹	3
DIRECTED ELECTIVES		
College of Architecture Course 300 - 499		3
COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS		

LISTING	CLASS	CREDITS
POLS 206	<i>American National Government</i>	3
POLS 207	<i>State and Local Government</i>	3
American History		6
Communication		6
Creative Arts		3
Mathematics		6
Language, Philosophy, and Culture		3
Life and Physical Sciences		9
Social and Behavior Sciences		3
MINOR 1 ³		
(University approved minors)		15-18
MINOR 2 ³		
(University approved minors)		15-18
GENERAL ELECTIVES ⁴		
		17-23
TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS		120

*Subject to change

¹ Or approved study abroad course

A 2.0 GPA is required in all major field of study courses.

Two writing-intensive courses are required.

One course must meet the International and Cultural Diversity requirement.

One course must meet the Cultural Discourse requirement.

² Mandatory study abroad

³ Both minors cannot be in the College of Architecture

⁴ 6 hours must be upper-level general electives

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