



THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME AUSTRALIA

# Bachelor of Arts (Architecture)

*School of Arts & Sciences, Fremantle Campus*

Architecture enhances people's lives through the creation of meaningful human environments. Many key challenges of contemporary society - such as sustainability, housing affordability, ageing-in-place, city living and community building - often involve spatial issues. Architecture applies a holistic way of thinking and acting to combine creative design processes and technical skills with understandings of human, cultural and environmental issues. Your first step on this journey is the Bachelor of Arts (Architecture) program.

## **Why study this degree**

In the three-year Bachelor of Arts (Architecture) degree you will learn to design architectural projects, big and small, for residential and public spaces in urban, suburban and other contexts. You'll research historic and contemporary

architecture, make precise drawings and diagrams, and use physical and three-dimensional digital models while developing your creative and critical thinking.

Our program combines theory classes with practical studios. In the theory classes you will analyse the world in which we live. You'll apply this knowledge and skills in studios as you design built environments and speculate about future possibilities for human occupation and ecological repair.

You will develop your sense of ethical, social and environmental responsibility as you learn to understand diverse cultures and contexts, and apply building technology and environmental science knowledge to solve increasingly complex design scenarios.

Our holistic approach to education, including classes in ethics and philosophy, and the opportunity to study a Minor in a discipline complementary to architecture, will extend your learning beyond the traditional architectural curriculum and prepare you for a dynamic professional life. Popular Minors that work well with Architecture are Archaeology, History, Environmental Management and Photography. See the full list of Minors under Program summary below. The freedom to choose a Minor from a complementary discipline allows you to follow

your personal or professional interests and increases your graduate employability opportunities.

Through this program you will be well placed to make a life-long contribution to the intellectual, cultural and civic life of communities.

The Bachelor of Arts (Architecture) program can be a pathway to further study in the Master of Architecture program, and provides a strong foundation to develop the technical and communication skills, professional values and ethical practice required by architecture.

## **Program summary**

**Architecture courses:** 25 units of credit each (250 units of credit)

- [ARCH1000 Principles & Strategies of Architecture](https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle-and-sciences/course-descriptions#arch1000)
- [ARCH1001 Vastness Studio](https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle-and-sciences/course-descriptions#arch1001)
- [ARCH1002 Analysing Architecture](https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle-and-sciences/course-descriptions#arch1002)
- [ARCH1003 Spatial Infrastructure Studio](https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle-and-sciences/course-descriptions#arch1003)
- [ARCH2000 Chambers, Rooms and Vessels Studio](#)

- [\(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle-and-sciences/course-descriptions#arch2000>\)](https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle-and-sciences/course-descriptions#arch2000)
- [ARCH2001 Deconstructing Architecture](https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle-and-sciences/course-descriptions#arch2001)  
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle-and-sciences/course-descriptions#arch2001>)
- [ARCH2002 Modest Means Studio](https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle-and-sciences/course-descriptions#arch2002)  
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle-and-sciences/course-descriptions#arch2002>)
- [ARCH2003 Assembling Architecture](https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle-and-sciences/course-descriptions#arch2003)  
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle-and-sciences/course-descriptions#arch2003>)
- [ARCH3001 Research and Critique in Architecture](https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle-and-sciences/course-descriptions#arch3001)  
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle-and-sciences/course-descriptions#arch3001>)
- [ARCH3003 Architectural Building Performance](https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle-and-sciences/course-descriptions#arch3003)  
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle-and-sciences/course-descriptions#arch3003>)

**Architecture courses:** 50 units of credit each (100 units of credit)

- [ARCH3000 Locus Studio & Building Systems](https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle-and-sciences/course-descriptions#arch3000)  
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle-and-sciences/course-descriptions#arch3000>)
- [ARCH3002 The Collective and Empathy Studio & Precedent Studies](https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle-and-sciences/course-descriptions#arch3002)  
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle-and-sciences/course-descriptions#arch3002>)

**Core Curriculum:** 25 units of credit each (75 units of credit)

- CORE1010 Introduction to Philosophy
- CORE1020 Ethics
- CORE1030 Introduction to Theology

## **Communications course:** 25 units of credit

- ARTS1000 Academic Writing, Communication and Research  
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle-and-sciences/course-descriptions#arts1000>)

## **Minor:** 6 x 25 units of credit courses (150 units of credit)

The Minor may be selected from any of these disciplines:

- Archaeology  
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/fremantle/school-of-arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-archaeology>)
- Behavioural Science  
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/fremantle/school-of-arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-behavioural-science>)
- Business Studies  
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/fremantle/school-of-arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-business-studies>)
- English Literature  
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/fremantle/school-of-arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-english-literature>)
- Environmental Management  
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/fremantle/school-of-arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-environmental-management>)
- Film and Screen Production  
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/fremantle/school-of-arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of->

arts-major-film-and-screen-production)

- History  
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/fremantle/sch of-arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-history>)
- Journalism  
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/fremantle/sch of-arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-journalism>)
- Marketing and Public Relations  
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/fremantle/sch of-arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-marketing-and-public-relations>)
- Philosophy  
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/fremantle/sch of-arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-philosophy>)
- Photography  
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/fremantle/sch of-arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-photography>)
- Politics and International Relations  
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/fremantle/sch of-arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-politics-and-international-relations>)
- Social Justice  
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/fremantle/sch of-arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-social-justice>)
- Theatre Studies  
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/fremantle/sch of-arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-theatre-studies>)

Full details of the program requirements are contained in the Program Regulations.

## **Study abroad**

You will have the opportunity to complete part of your degree at one of our partner institutions through our exchange program. Get in touch with the Study Abroad Office to find out more about studying in Asia, Europe and North America.

## **Real-world experience**

The Fremantle Campus offers opportunities for architectural learning to be embedded in a vibrant, urban environment. Using local sites, situations and communities as a foundation for the project based learning in the architecture program, provides you with real-world experiences and develops non-technical skills essential for responsible and ethical architectural practices.

## **Admission requirements**

Academic requirements for this program are outlined below. In addition, to be eligible for admission, all applicants need to satisfy minimum requirements outlined at admission requirements. These include those relating to age and English Language Proficiency. We also consider your application more broadly - your non-academic achievements (such as any previous leadership roles, volunteering, work, church and/or community involvement) as well as personal qualities - your aspirations and interests and your capacity to complete your chosen program.

Eligible applicants are encouraged to provide examples of creative work as part of the admissions process.

The examples should demonstrate creative thinking. They may include:

- Work created in Visual Arts, Design or other classes
- Examples of photographic work
- Examples of models or hand crafted artefacts
- Sketches, diagrams or drawings related to a creative interest, hobby or job

When preparing your submission, please follow these guidelines:

- Submit a single digital document of no more than 5 pages.
- You can include scans, photographs, or drawings of up to 5 creative works.
- You are welcome to embed movies, videos, or similar types of your creative works into the digital document, or include web links.
- You will not be able to upload digital files larger than 5mb.
- The work submitted must be your own work, not your reflections or critique of someone else's work.

Some advice:

- Consider which creative works to include. This is your opportunity to bring together the examples that best demonstrate your creative abilities.
- Think about how you curate your images and



creative works. For example, you can tell a story by arranging the images in a specific order, or showing your work from certain angles.

- You may include short (no more than 50 words) descriptions for each of the pieces.

### **Applicants with recent Secondary Education:**

Indicative ATAR of 80 or equivalent with a score of 50+ in ATAR English, ATAR Literature or ATAR English as an Additional Language or Dialect (EALD)

OR

Minimum International Baccalaureate (IB) score of 28

OR

Completed AQF Diploma or higher in a relevant discipline, from an accredited provider such as TAFE or a Registered Training Organisation (RTO) with a score of 50+ in ATAR English, ATAR Literature or ATAR English as an Additional Language or Dialect (EALD).

### **Applicants with Higher Education Study**

Other university studies completed at undergraduate level or higher, a minimum of 2 successfully completed subjects.

Applicants who have successfully completed subjects at another University, which are relevant to the selected program of study, may be eligible for Advanced Standing.

### **Applicants with Vocational Education and Training (VET) study**

Completed AQF Diploma or higher in a relevant discipline, from an accredited provider such as TAFE or a Registered Training Organisation (RTO).

## **Applicants with Work and Life Experience**

Applicants who left secondary education more than two years previously and who have not undertaken VET or higher education study since then, but with relevant work and life experience. Such experience may include, but is not limited to:

STAT scores of at least 150 in the Multiple Choice section and 150 in the Written English section are required.

OR

Mature-age completion of two Year 12 WACE or HSC exams with a resulting ATAR of 80 or above.

OR

Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE) or equivalent results if these have been completed within the last 5 years.

Please note: all applicants must be of school leaving age or older to apply.

## **Fees and costs**

This Program has the following loan scheme(s) available for eligible students:

### **FEE-HELP**

The FEE-HELP loan scheme assists eligible fee-paying students with the payment of all, or part, of their tuition fees, not including additional study costs such as

accommodation or textbooks. Your FEE-HELP debt will be indexed each year in line with the Consumer Price Index. Please note, from 1 January 2019, students studying an undergraduate program at the University of Notre Dame will no longer be charged the 25% FEE-HELP loan fee.

For further information, or for indicative fees for domestic or international students, please visit our [Fees page](https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/fees) (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/fees>).

Some scholarships may be available.

## **Career opportunities**

By complementing your architectural studies with a Minor from another discipline, you will expand your career opportunities, providing pathways into professions alongside the traditional extended pathway to registration as an architect\*. Graduates would be able to enter into the built environment industry as future specialists, technical experts and consultants.

\*The Bachelor of Arts (Architecture) program can be a pathway to further study in the Master of Architecture program, a necessary step in becoming a registered architect. See the Master of Architecture for full details of the registration process.

## **More information**

For a discussion about whether this program is right for you, contact [Professor Sarah McGann](mailto:sarah.mcgann@nd.edu.au) (<mailto:sarah.mcgann@nd.edu.au>).

For general information on the Bachelor of Arts (Architecture), please call our Prospective Students Office on +61 8 9433 0533 or email [future@nd.edu.au](mailto:future@nd.edu.au) (<mailto:future@nd.edu.au>).

All international enquiries should contact the International Students Office on [international@nd.edu.au](mailto:international@nd.edu.au) (<mailto:international@nd.edu.au>).

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## **Need help? Ask Notre Dame**

(08) 9433 0533

**Duration:** 3 years full-time or equivalent part-time

**Campus:** Fremantle

**Practical Component:** Practicum courses embedded in program

**Loan Scheme:** FEE-HELP

**Study mode:** On campus

**Code:** Program Code 3570; Cricos Code TBA

**Commencement:** Semester 1