

## **QUALITY EDUCATION**

UNM'S ARCHITECTURE PROGRAM HAS A SOLID REPUTATION FOR PROVIDING A QUALITY EDUCATION. IN 2017, WE ARE RANKED #22 IN THE NATION. OUR EXPERIENCED PROFESSORS OFFER PERSONAL ATTENTION. ALMOST ALL ARCHITECTURE COURSES HAVE A LOW STUDENT / TEACHER RATIO.

## **GREAT VALUE**

IN 2015, UNM'S ARCHITECTURE PROGRAM IS RANKED #3 IN THE COUNTRY FOR AFFORDABILITY (ACCORDING TO THE US DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION). THE COST IS SUBSTANTIALLY LOWER THAN PEER SCHOOLS. ALSO OUT-OF-STATE U.S. RESIDENTS CAN PETITION FOR IN-STATE RESIDENCY STATUS AFTER THE FIRST YEAR.

#### **EXCELLENT FACILITIES**

THE ARCHITECTURE PROGRAM IS HOUSED IN THE AWARD-WINNING GEORGE PEARL HALL, DESIGNED BY INTERNATIONALLY RENOWNED ARCHITECT ANTOINE PREDOCK, A FORMER UNM INSTRUCTOR. THE BUILDING HAS SPACIOUS, NATURALLY-LIT DESIGN STUDIOS, AS WELL AS THE LATEST DESIGN AND FABRICATION TOOLS. THESE INCLUDE VARIOUS METHODS OF DIGITAL FABRICATION AND OTHER MODES OF MAKING. THE NEWEST ADDITION IS A METALWORKING SHOP.

## **Applying to the MArch Program**

**Deadline for Fall Semester:** For best consideration for possible scholarships and assistantships, please use the following dates:

International Students: **December 1**; Residents of U.S.: **January 15** 

(We continue to review applications until May 31st, but cannot guarantee any slots will be open.)

## MArch Applications for the are submitted online. For details go to: http://architecture.unm.edu/admissions/index.html

Application requirements include: a letter of intent, a portfolio of creative work, three letters of recommendation, a resume, and official transcripts (unopened). International students need to also submit an attested copy of your diploma, official TOEFL scores (they must meet the UNM minimum of 79 on the IBT TOEFL).

Note: We do not find GRE scores helpful in the application review process, and do not require them. Also, Track 2 and 2.5 applicants (other than UNM undergraduates) must submit course descriptions for all architecture classes completed. These can be e-mailed to miquela@unm.edu.

## Which Track is Appropriate for You?

### Master of Architecture, Track 2:

This program is for students with a pre-professional undergraduate architecture degree, (typically a Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts in Architecture) and sufficient coursework to fulfill the Path 2 prerequisites:

- 6 architectural design studios, five or six credits each
- 2 architectural history courses and 1 architectural theory course
- 1 or 2 courses addressing passive design or environmental systems
- 2 structures courses, addressing statics, mechanics of materials, structural analysis, and the design and behavior of basic structural elements and systems
- 1 course addressing construction materials and assembly / construction methods Track 2 takes four semesters to complete.

UNM Bachelors of Arts in Architecture (BAA) students with a minimum grade point average of 3.5 overall and also in studio courses are automatically admitted to Track 2.

#### Master of Architecture, Track 2.5:

This program is for students with a pre-professional undergraduate architecture degree, and sufficient coursework to fulfill the Track 2.5 prerequisites.

- 4 architectural design studios, five or six credits each
- 2 architectural history or architectural theory courses
- 1 course addressing passive design or environmental systems
- 1 structures course, addressing statics, mechanics of materials, structural analysis, and the design and behavior of basic structural elements and systems
- 1 course addressing construction materials and assembly / construction methods Track 2.5 takes two and a half years to complete, or two academic years plus a summer.

## Master of Architecture, Track 3:

This program is intended for those that hold an undergraduate degree in any discipline, and also for students that have an undergraduate degree in architecture or environmental design, but not enough coursework to apply for Track 2.5 or Track 2 programs. Track 3 program students come from a variety of backgrounds including anthropology, art history, biology, economics, engineering, political science, studio art, and many other degrees.

Track 3 takes three academic years to complete, plus a four week summer program prior to the first year.

## **Laptop Policy**

Graduate students admitted to the School are required to own or have unlimited access to a laptop computer. All laptop computers must meet minimum specifications as published on the School's website.



## GRADUATE PROGRAM IN ARCHITECTURE

# MASTER OF ARCHITECTURE (MArch)

THE MASTER OF ARCHITECTURE IS PROFESSIONALLY ACCREDITED BY NATIONAL ARCHITECTURAL ACCREDITING BOARD (NAAB), AND HAS THREE TRACKS:

#### TRACK 2

FOR STUDENTS WITH A BACHELOR OF ARTS OR BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ARCHITECTURE

#### **TRACK 2.5**

FOR STUDENTS WITH AN UNDERGRADUATE ARCHITECTURE OR RELATED DESIGN, BUT WITH FEWER PROFESSIONAL COURSES

## TRACK 3

FOR STUDENTS WITH ANY UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE



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## **Greetings Prospective Student:**

At UNM we shape future design leaders.

The rigorous design training students receive at UNM allows our graduates to take on complex design challenges, giving them experiences that prepares them for leadership positions. UNM architecture alumni have found successful careers as licensed architects, real estate developers, artists, web designers, fabricators, community leaders, construction managers, etc.

Our program has a strong reputation for providing a quality education. UNM architecture students receive a lot of personal attention due to a low student / teacher ratio. We offer degrees for both graduate and undergraduate students interested in pursuing a career in architecture and related design disciplines.

BAA students with a minimum GPA of 3.5 (both overall and in studio courses) are automatically admitted to Track 2 of the professionally accredited Master of Architecture program. Dual graduate degrees with UNM's landscape architecture and community & regional planning programs are also possible.

Please feel free to contact me at **quale@unm.edu** 

## **John Quale**

Chair & Professor of Architecture

