

Master in Architecture I AP

For Students Entering Fall 2018

A candidate who is admitted to the program with advanced standing (MArch I AP) will be recommended for the Master in Architecture as a professional degree upon satisfactory completion of a minimum of 100 units. The first semester of the MArch I AP follows a similar course of study and as that of the third semester of the MArch I program and the follows the same sequence for the rest of the semesters.

Note: entering AP students may not be waived out of all first-year courses, so individual schedules may vary.

First Term

8 units	GSD 1201	Third Semester Architecture Core: INTEGRATE
2 units	GSD 6121	(M1) Environmental Systems I
2 units	GSD 6122	(M2) Environmental Systems II
4 units	GSD 6123	Construction Systems
4 units	GSD 6229	Structural Design II

Second Term

8 units	GSD 1202	Fourth Semester Core Studio: PROJECT
4 units	GSD 4223	Buildings, Texts, and Contexts III*
4 units	GSD 6230	Cases in Contemporary Construction
4 units	Digital Media Requirement****	or Distributional or General Electives*****

Third Term

8 units	Option Studio**	
4 units	GSD 7212	Foundations of Practice
8 units	Digital Media Requirement***	or Distributional or General Electives*****

Fourth Term

8 units	Option Studio**	
4 units	GSD 9203	Thesis Prep Course (or approved alternative)
8 units	Digital Media Requirement***	or Distributional or General Electives*****

Note: The department encourages students to take electives that support thesis interests during their fourth semester.

Fifth Term

12 units	GSD 9301	Independent Design Thesis*****
8 units	Distributional or General Electives****	

Footnotes

*MArch I AP students are recommended to take a Building, Texts, and Contexts (BTC) course in the spring of their second semester; however students may elect to fulfill the BTC requirement in the fall if that better accommodates their academic goals.

**A minimum of one Option Studio taken must be offered through the Department of Architecture.

***A 4-unit Digital Media Requirement course must be taken in the third or fourth semester. Offerings may vary by year.

****Students are required to fulfill the following distributional electives:

8 units of advanced history electives
4 units of global culture and diversity electives
4 units of professional practice electives

An approved list of distributional electives is posted each term. Please note that some courses may count toward the satisfaction of two distributional electives. For example, an advanced history course may also fulfill a global culture and diversity requirement. For more information, please visit the [MArch Distributional Electives page](#).

General electives may be fulfilled through any course at the GSD or cross-registered courses at Harvard schools, MIT, or the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts.

*****Students are required to take GSD 9203 in their fourth semester; however, an alternative thesis prep course may be approved by petition to the department.