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GRADUATE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES in

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

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GRADUATE STUDY IN LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

Students interested in graduate study in landscape architecture are invited to pursue an advanced degree at UC Davis through the graduate groups in Geography, Community Development and Ecology. These graduate groups offer study towards the MS, MA or PhD. Faculty of the UC Davis Landscape Architecture Program are members of all three graduate groups, teach graduate-level courses, advise graduate students and oversee thesis research. While meeting core requirements in one of these graduate groups, students may emphasize an area of graduate study with direct relation to landscape architecture.

Study in landscape architecture emphasizes socially and ecologically responsible landscape planning and design. While the undergraduate BSLA degree at UC Davis offers accredited professional training to prepare students for professional practice in landscape architecture, graduate study is research-oriented and interdisciplinary. Graduate students pursue more focused interests, expanding their professional expertise and/or conducting advanced research in landscape architecture or related disciplines.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

The University of California enjoys a reputation for excellence that has attracted a distinguished faculty of scholars and scientists in all fields of study. The faculty includes 18 honored Nobel Laureates, and 241 members of the National Academy of Sciences. There are more than 164,000 students on the nine UC campuses, approximately 40,000 of whom are graduate students. The university system is further strengthened by numerous research and field stations and a network of Extension centers.

THE DAVIS CAMPUS

The Davis campus, founded in 1906, is the third oldest campus in the nine-campus University of California system. With over 28,000 students (over 5,900 of whom are engaged in graduate or professional study), and 1,360 faculty, it offers a full range of undergraduate, graduate and professional programs and is a major research university. The campus includes the Colleges of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Letters and Science, Engineering, the Schools of Education, Law, Medicine and Veterinary Medicine, Graduate Studies and the Graduate School of Management.



THE DAVIS COMMUNITY

The city of Davis, California, is a progressive college town of over 65,000 people. It is located in the fertile Sacramento Valley, 72 miles northeast of San Francisco, and 15 miles from the state capital, Sacramento. Within an hour's drive is the famed Napa Valley and its wineries to the west and the historic Mother Lode country to the east. The coastal areas are two hours away, as are the Sierra Nevada and Lake Tahoe. Davis is internationally known as the first U.S. city to enact energy conservation ordinances, and is recognized as a leader in such areas as growth management and ecological and sustainable development.



THE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

With 21 departments and 40 majors, the administrative structure of the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences promotes collaboration in research and graduate education. Graduate groups in the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences highlight the multiple connections among the environment, plant and animal systems and human health and development.

AFFILIATED GRADUATE GROUPS

GEOGRAPHY

<http://ggg.ucdavis.edu>

Housed in the Landscape Architecture Program of the Department of Environmental Design, the Graduate Group in Geography (GGG) includes approximately 55 faculty members and university-affiliated research scientists associated with 28 departments and programs on the UC Davis campus. The GGG academic program emphasizes spatial interactions between humans and the biophysical environment within five thematic clusters: biogeography, environmental and natural resource geography, gender and geography, tourism, and landscape architecture. The GGG offers students an exceptionally broad range of coursework not otherwise possible through department-based graduate study. The Geography Graduate Group offers both MA and PhD degrees. Many students will have met entrance requirements with at least one upper division course in three of the following six areas of study: geographical field methods, cartography; aerial photo analysis - remote sensing; statistics; geographic information systems (GIS); or geographical theory. Applicants should also have completed at least one upper division course in a recognized facet of human geography, physical geography, and regional geography.

Area of concentration in Landscape Architecture: The close association between the Landscape Architecture Program and the Graduate Group in Geography enables students to pursue a focus in landscape architecture within the GGG, including the study of landscape patterns resulting from the interaction of people and the environment, social and environmental issues arising from that interaction, design and planning at advanced levels, landscape history, theory and methods in landscape architecture and other landscape-oriented subjects.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

<http://communitydevelopment.ucdavis.edu>

The Graduate Group in Community Development offers a two-year, multidisciplinary program of study leading to the MS degree. The group includes 45 faculty from 19 different departments. The program prepares students for professional roles as administrators, designers, planners, or researchers, with emphasis upon urban and rural communities and human service organizations. The program emphasizes theories of community social organization and change, community design and planning and current techniques for developing and evaluating community programs. In consultation with an adviser, students select from various areas of concentration, including an established track in community design and planning. All students must take the core courses and complete a field practicum assignment. Many students in the CD graduate group participate in established research programs through the Center for Design Research, the Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education program, the Agricultural Issues Center, Cooperative Extension, and the California Communities Program

ECOLOGY

<http://ecology.ucdavis.edu>

The Graduate Group in Ecology offers the MS and PhD degrees in several areas of specialization within the spectrum of ecology. Several curricular plans are now available in the following areas of emphasis: restoration ecology, ecosystems and landscape ecology, conservation ecology, agricultural ecology, environmental policy analysis, human ecology, integrative ecology, marine ecology, ecotoxicology and physiological ecology. Undergraduate coursework in biological, social, behavioral and physical sciences, mathematics or engineering is considered appropriate preparation. All applicants will normally be expected to have completed a one-year sequence in basic biology, in elementary chemistry, and in elementary physics; a course in statistics; calculus and computer programming or other suitable mathematical training and a course in ecology.

OTHER GRADUATE GROUP AFFILIATIONS:

Students in any of the graduate groups may take advantage of various related resources on the UCD campus including excellent programs in Environmental Horticulture, International Agricultural Development, Environmental Planning and Policy, Cultural Studies, History, Art and Art History, Nature and Culture. Several research centers on the campus also offer opportunities for interaction, including: Center for Design Research; Center for History, Society and Culture; Institute for Transportation Studies.

ADMISSION

<http://gradstudies.ucdavis.edu/b4apply.htm>

Students are strongly encouraged to apply on line. You should also contact the graduate adviser in your proposed graduate group to ask for specific program information and any additional admission requirements or other deadlines. You are encouraged to write, phone or email potential Landscape Architecture major professors or telephone (530) 752-3907 to schedule an appointment to discuss your plans. Funding is available through a limited number of Research and Teaching Assistantships. You are also encouraged to contact the UC Davis Financial Aid Office at faoman.ucdavis.edu.

To be based and housed in the Landscape Architecture Program, your major professor must be a Landscape Architecture faculty member. There are presently seven faculty members in landscape architecture accepting graduate students and offering graduate courses within the Landscape Architecture Program. Students sponsored by landscape architecture faculty may have a prior degree in landscape architecture or a closely-related discipline, although this is not a requirement.

ADMISSION APPLICATION DEADLINE: Many graduate programs have early application deadlines that must be met. Graduate programs may close due to lack of space before the application deadline. The application and fellowship deadline for Geography and Community Development is January 15; for Ecology, December 1.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

If you are an international student, you should begin the application process as early as a year before the start of the term in which you wish to enroll. You must submit scores on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), if you have not studied at an institution where the language of instruction is English. The minimum TOEFL score for admission to graduate study at UC Davis is 550 with a score of 600 on the English section of the GRE.

Funding for international students is limited. The University of California does not grant fellowships to students from foreign countries during their first year of study. You may apply, however, for research assistantships and teaching assistantships. Information on sources of foreign student support can be obtained from the Committee on Study and Training in the United States associated with the American embassy or legation in your country.

GRADUATE FACULTY in LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

The faculty in landscape architecture offers expertise in many different areas within and related to the field of landscape architecture, including landscape history and theory, urban design, community participation, ecological design, landscape restoration and historic preservation.

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