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This document provides public information about the accredited Bachelor of Landscape Architecture (BLA) and Master of Landscape Architecture (MLA) programs at the University of Florida, as required by the Landscape Architecture Accreditation Board (LAAB).

1. Program Mission, Objectives, and Goals: We are dedicated to inspiring students and transforming lives through the stewardship, planning, and design of our natural and built environment. Building upon the traditions of landscape architecture, we explore innovative and impactful solutions to produce a more sustainable, healthy, and just world for all.

Students graduating from the **UF MLA** will have mastered the following Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs):

- 1. Integrate concepts from the **general body of knowledge** of the profession of Landscape Architecture in design decision-making.
- 2. Apply **core professional skills** in landscape architecture.
- 3. **Combine and analyze information** from multiple sources to support design decision-making.
- 4. Produce professional visual, oral and written **communications**.
- 5. Devise research methodologies and conclusions appropriate to individual area of interest.
- 6. Display ethical behavior and professional conduct.

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- 1. Integrate concepts from the **general body of knowledge** of the profession of landscape architecture in design decision making.
- 2. Apply core professional landscape architecture skills in design-decision making.
- 3. Apply ethical understanding to Design-Decision Making
- 4. Apply core professional landscape architecture critical thinking skills in design-decision making.
- 5. Produce professional visual, oral, and written communications
- **2. Accreditation Status:** The University of Florida's Bachelor and Master of Landscape Architecture programs are fully accredited through December 31, 2030. The programs will be reviewed for accreditation renewal in fall of 2030.
- **3. Estimated Cost of Attendance and Financial Aid:** Detailed information is on the UF Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid website (https://www.sfa.ufl.edu/) Estimated Cost of Attendance are (2024-2025):

BLA (in-state): \$25,525
BLA (out-of-state): \$123,544
MLA (in-state): \$32,551
MLA (out-of-state): \$74,005

The Department of Landscape Architecture disperses an average of \$20,000 in scholarships per year. Graduate teaching and research assistantships for MLA student through university funding and faculty funded research are limited and dependent on availability.

4. Student Retention, Graduation Rates, Degrees Granted

<u>Bachelor of Landscape Architecture:</u> In the 2024-25 school year, the BLA program had a second year (post-selective admissions) retention rate of 85.8% (18/21 returned for fall 2025). Of students entering the upper division of the BLA program in 2023, 94.4% completed the degree within two years and graduated in 2025. In the past three academic years, the number of BLA degrees awarded has averaged approximately 21 per year. In the academic year 2024-25, twenty-two (22) BLA degrees were awarded.

Master of Landscape Architecture (MLA): In 2024-25, the MLA program retained 87.5% of students from their initial enrollment until the fall 2025 term. Of those entering the program in 2022 as pre-MLA students, 100% graduated within the program's on-time benchmark of three years. An average of approximately 4 degrees a year were awarded over the past three years. In academic year 2024-25, six (6) MLA degrees were awarded.

5. Percentage of Students with Timely Graduation: 96% of BLA students graduated on time. The MLA program has high rates of timely graduation, but students' graduation timelines vary based on degree program track.

6. Required and Optional Costs:

Laptop and Course Fees

Students are required to have a personal laptop that meets the program's specifications. Details are available on the school website here.

Certain studio courses include material fees ranging from approximately \$100 to \$600 per year, depending on the number of studios taken. These fees support shared resources such as studio printers and required supplies.

Students may also incur additional costs for personal materials, supplies, and software.

7. Supplemental and Experiential Learning Opportunities:

BLA and MLA students can participate in several 4-5-day domestic field trips by enrolling in one-credit Landscape Architecture Experience courses. Alternative on campus, non-travel LA Experience courses are also available.

Several global study opportunities are available through programs outside of the Department. Landscape Architecture does not currently offer international academic programs.

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8. Post-Graduation employment:

BLA: 81% of graduates went into private practice; 4% went into graduate education and 15% were unknown.

MLA: 75% of graduates went into private practice and 25% went into teaching.

9. Licensed Faculty: Five (5) faculty have active professional licenses, and nine (9) have a Ph.D.

10. Licensure Eligibility: The University of Florida's Bachelor and Master of Landscape Architecture programs are accredited and meet the educational requirements for licensure in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. License requirements for each state are on the ASLA website (look up each state here) or view the ASLA fact sheet on this topic.