ARCHITECTURE STUDIES, MINOR

Requirements for a minor may be completed at any campus location offering the specified courses for the minor. Students may not change from a campus that offers their major to a campus that does not offer their major for the purpose of completing a minor.

Career Paths

The Architecture Studies Minor is a stepping stone for those seeking careers in architecture and related fields, or who wish to pursue a professional architecture degree, after which, they can undertake internships and professional state licensing examinations required for registration as architects. The Architecture Studies Minor is a passageway to further one’s studies at the graduate level in design-related fields. The diversity and broad inquiry integral to architectural studies form a natural path to advanced studies in architecture, landscape architecture, computer science, geography, urban studies, system logistics, art history, and more.

Careers

Architecture is a broad, rigorous, and rich course of study that opens doors to careers in nearly limitless fields. Graduates from the Penn State’s Department of Architecture have designed digital environments for major motion pictures, created branding and advertising for Fortune 100 companies, started businesses converting recycled materials into high-end lighting products, and designed custom jewelry. Note: Students interested in a degree program that provides a direct path to pursue licensure and professional practice should undertake the B.Arch. professional degree program.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT POTENTIAL CAREER OPTIONS FOR GRADUATES WITH A MINOR IN ARCHITECTURE STUDIES (https://sites.psu.edu/stuckemancareers/)

Opportunities for Graduate Studies

Architecture Studies Minor students may opt to pursue graduate programs in specialized topics or focus areas. Students interested in advanced research will be well-positioned to pursue a Master of Science in Architecture (M.S. in Arch) degree. The Penn State M.S. in Arch program is designed to strengthen the intellectual underpinnings of students’ undergraduate work through intensive studio investigations, design applications, and rigorous theoretical inquiry. Alternately, students might consider application to Penn State's M.Arch. professional degree in preparation for professional practice and licensure as an architect.

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