

**APPLYING TO THE M.ARCH. PROGRAM AT THE  
UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO, SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE**  
*Information for UW Bachelor of Architectural Studies Students*

**Admission Requirements:**

Honours undergraduate degree in pre-professional Architecture.

**Average Requirements:**

Overall average of 75% or above in all four years or in last two years of undergraduate study; this is a University of Waterloo requirement. For UWSA students who do not have an 75% over all four years, the two-year average calculation includes terms 3A, 3B, 4A, and 4B. If you are submitting your application before you have completed 4B, the average will be over all terms completed or over the four most-recently completed terms.

If you have below 75% overall or in the last two years but have 78% or above in fourth year, you may be considered for Probationary Status. This means that you must achieve, in the case of Architecture, 75% or above in your first term in the M.Arch. program and 75% or above in ARCH 692. If you do not meet the probationary conditions, you will be required to withdraw from the M.Arch. program.

**Application Process:**

The Graduate Studies Office accepts all UW graduate studies applications. Select the “Apply Online” link. All applications are submitted through the Ontario Universities Application Centre. Once your application is submitted, all required documents are uploaded onto the “My Materials” tab in Quest.

<http://www.grad.uwaterloo.ca/students/prospective/admissions.asp>

**Required Documents**

All of the required documents are processed online. Students from the BAS at Waterloo do not need to provide a portfolio, or transcripts, as these are available internally.

- OUAC application (\$100.00 fee applies)
- Two academic references, (one can be an employer if two academic references are not available) attained electronically via email with instructions
- A statement of interest outlining your thesis and/or research interests (one paragraph or one page document)
- A resume/CV

For required documentation information please review the following link:

<http://www.grad.uwaterloo.ca/students/applyingonline.asp>

**A note on References:**

Contact the referees you wish to use, asking for their permission to do so, before listing them in the OUAC application.

If you have taken post-secondary courses or completed a degree at another institution, an official transcript from that institution will be required, and sent to the Graduate Studies Office, well in advance of the deadline.

**M.Arch. Application Process:**

The department *recommends* candidates for admission first to the Associate Dean Graduate Studies of the Faculty and then to the Graduate Studies Office. Applications can be refused at any stage, including by the department. Once a recommendation is accepted, the Graduate Studies Office will send the applicant an Offer of Admission. Details of any additional requirements or conditions will be outlined in this letter, (such completion of your BAS

degree). THESE LETTERS ARE SENT TO THE ADDRESS LISTED IN QUEST.

**Duration:** The Masters of Architecture program is a one-year, three term program, consisting of studio, elective, and thesis coursework, which generally can take up two years to complete, in six terms. Extended periods of study, provided the student is enrolled and approval is given, can be petitioned by students. Details on course requirements are available at the following link:

<http://www.architecture.uwaterloo.ca/programs/graduate.html>

**Tuition & Fees:**

Domestic and international tuition are available at:

<http://www.adm.uwaterloo.ca/infofin/students/stdfees.htm>

**Graduate Calendar:**

The Graduate Studies website is a resource for all Graduate Studies information including awards, funding, admissions and term newsletters.

All graduate student admissions information can be reviewed at:

<http://gradcalendar.uwaterloo.ca/default.aspx?>