

Academic Program Rules

School of Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Urban Design

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Notes on Delegated Authority

1. Council has delegated the power to approve minor changes to the Academic Program Rules to the Executive Deans of Faculties.
2. Council has delegated the power to specify syllabuses to the Head of each department or centre concerned, such syllabuses to be subject to approval by the Faculty or by the Executive Dean on behalf of the Faculty.



Bachelor of Design Studies

1 General

- 1.1 There shall be a degree and an Honours degree of Bachelor of Design Studies. The Bachelor degree shall be awarded with a major in either Architectural Studies or Landscape Studies or Architectural and Landscape Studies, or without a major.
- 1.2 A graduate of the University or of another educational institution who wishes to proceed to the degree of Bachelor of Design Studies may do so under the requirements of these Academic Program Rules.
- 1.3 A candidate who has completed courses under any repealed regulations for the Bachelor of Architectural Studies shall have status in equivalent courses under the Academic Program Rules.

2 Duration of program

- 2.1 The program of study for the Bachelor degree shall extend over three years of full-time study or the equivalent. Students shall pass courses to the value of at least 24 units at each of the three levels. The unit values of the courses are contained in Academic Program Rule 5.1.
- 2.2 A candidate may interrupt the program for such periods and on such conditions as may in each case be determined by the School.
- 2.3 Students wishing to interrupt their studies in accordance with 2.2 above must apply through the Student Adviser for permission and obtain beforehand the approval of the Head on behalf of the School for leave of absence for a defined period.
- 2.4 A student who leaves the program without approval or who extends a leave of absence beyond the time period approved under 2.2 above shall be deemed to have withdrawn his or her candidature for the degree but may reapply for admission to the program in accordance with the procedures in operation at the time.
- 2.5 Students who have interrupted their studies in the prescribed courses may be required to resume at such a point in the program and/or to undertake such additional or special program of study as the Head of the School deems appropriate.

3 Admission

3.1 Status, exemption and credit transfer

A candidate who has passed undergraduate, or equivalent, level courses in the Faculty or in other faculties of the University or in other educational institutions, may, on written application to the Head of the School of Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Urban Design, be granted such

exemption from these Academic Program Rules as the Faculty may determine, save that a candidate shall always be required to satisfy the examiners in all courses of the final year of the program.

3.2 Articulation with other awards

3.2.1 It is possible for students in Design Studies to elect to complete both the Bachelor of Design Studies and Bachelor of Laws academic programs in a total of five years of full-time study*, provided they are accepted into the Bachelor of Laws academic program. Students wishing to pursue this academic plan may apply for admission through the South Australian Tertiary Admissions Centre by September of the year before they commence University study or in a later year of the program.

*Some overload may be required for students taking the B.Des. St. (Landscape Studies major) or B.Des.St. (Architectural & Landscape Studies major).

The following program of study for the B. Law and B.Des.St. (with an Architectural Studies major) is recommended:

Level I

DESST 1027 Human Environments: Design and Representation	6
DESST 1029 Construction and Design: Theories and Practice	6
LAW 1501 Foundations of Law	3
LAW 1502 Law of Torts 1	3
LAW 1504 Principles of Public Law.....	3
LAW 1505 Law of Torts 2	3

Level II

DESST 1028 Natural and Urban Systems	3
DESST 1030 History of Settlements	3
DESST 2503 Landscape Architecture Histories and Theories	3
LAW 1503 Contracts.....	6
LAW 1506 Property Law.....	6
LAW 2501 Australian Constitutional Law.....	3

Level III

DESST 2500 Technology in Design.....	6
DESST 2501 Design Studio.....	6
DESST 2502 Architecture Histories and Theories	3
LAW 2503 Criminal Law and Procedure	6
LAW 2504 Administrative Law	3

Level IV

DESST 3027 Design for Sustainable Community ..	6
LAW 2502 Equity	3
DESST 3029 Architecture Design Studio	6
LAW 2505 Corporate Law	6
Law Elective.....	3

Level V

LAW 3501 Dispute Resolution and Ethics.	6
LAW 3502 Evidence and Proof in Theory and Practice.....	6

Law Electives to the value of 12 units from the LL.B degree

Before enrolment in the Level III courses of the above scheme, students should consult the Law Program Adviser.

Students should seek advice about course choices if they wish to undertake the B.Des.St. (with a Landscape Studies major) or B.Des.St. (with an Architectural and Landscape Studies major) together with the Bachelor of Laws.

See also the Academic Program Rules of the LL.B. degree and in particular, the Introductory Notes to the LL.B. Syllabuses.

- 3.2.2 It is possible for students in Design Studies to elect to complete both the Bachelor of Design Studies and Bachelor of Commerce academic programs in a total of four years of full-time study by taking an overload of 3 units in each semester of the first and second years of the program, provided they are accepted into the Bachelor of Commerce academic program after they have completed at least one equivalent full-time year of the Bachelor of Design Studies. Students wishing to pursue this academic plan may apply for admission to the Bachelor of Commerce through the South Australian Tertiary Admissions Centre by September of their first year in the B.Des.St. program. Students should seek advice regarding course choices in the B.Des.St. and B.Commerce programs.
- 3.2.3 A graduate in another faculty or other educational institution who wishes to qualify for the degree of Bachelor of Design Studies in the Faculty and to count towards that degree courses which have already been presented for another degree may do so providing such a candidate presents a range of courses which fulfils the requirements of Academic Program Rule 5.1 below, including courses to the value of 36 units which must include compulsory and elective Level III courses to the value of at least 24 units which have not been presented for any other degree.

4 Assessment and examinations

- 4.1 There shall be four classifications of pass: Pass with High Distinction, Pass with Distinction, Pass with Credit, Pass. There shall also be a classification of Conceded Pass. A candidate may present for the degree a limited number of

courses for which a conceded pass has been awarded, as specified in the relevant Rule under these Academic Program Rules.

- 4.2 A candidate shall not be eligible to attend for examination unless the prescribed work has been completed to the satisfaction of the teaching staff concerned.
- 4.3 In determining a candidate's final result in a course (or part of a course) the examiners may take into account oral, written, practical and examination work, provided that the candidate has been given adequate notice at the commencement of the teaching of the course of the way in which work will be taken into account and of its relative importance in the final result.
- 4.4 A candidate who fails a course or who obtains conceded pass and who desires to take that course again shall, unless exempted wholly or partially therefrom by the Head of School or Head of Department concerned, again complete the required work in that course to the satisfaction of the teaching staff concerned.
- 4.5 Conceded passes cannot be presented for any compulsory Design Studies courses. A candidate may present for the degree Level I, II or III elective courses for which a conceded pass grade has been awarded to a maximum aggregate value of 6 units.
- 4.6 A candidate who has twice failed the examination in any elective course for the Bachelor degree may not enrol for that course again or for any other elective course which in the opinion of the School contains a substantial amount of the same material, except by special permission of the School and then only under such conditions as the School may prescribe.
- 4.7 There shall be three classifications of Pass in the final assessment of the course for the Honours degree as follows: First Class, Second Class and Third Class. The Second Class classification shall be divided into two divisions as follows: Division A and Division B.

4.8 Academic progress

The Faculty may prescribe rules for review of academic progress. Any student who meets the requirements for review will be asked to show cause as to why they should be permitted to continue their studies. Students who cannot adequately explain poor academic performance may have their enrolment cancelled or restricted, and/or be precluded from undertaking further studies toward their program

5 Qualification requirements

5.1 Academic Program

5.1.1 The Bachelor degree

- 5.1.1.1 To qualify for the degree of Bachelor of Design Studies with an Architectural Studies major a candidate shall pass the following courses to the value of at least 72 units:

Level I

DESST 1027 Human Environments: Design and Representation	6
DESST 1028 Natural and Urban Systems	3
DESST 1029 Construction and Design: Theories and Practice	6
DESST 1030 History of Settlements	3
Level I Electives to the value of 6 units	6

Level II

DESST 2500 Technology in Design	6
DESST 2501 Design Studio	6
DESST 2502 Architecture Histories & Theories	3
DESST 2503 Landscape Architecture Histories and Theories	3
Level II Electives to the value of 6 units	6

Level III

DESST 3027 Design for Sustainable Community	6
DESST 3029 Architecture Design Studio	6
Level III Electives to the value of 12 units	12

- 5.1.1.2 To qualify for the degree of Bachelor of Design Studies with a Landscape Studies major a candidate shall pass the following courses to the value of at least 72 units:

Level I

DESST 1027 Human Environments: Design and Representation	6
DESST 1028 Natural and Urban Systems	3
DESST 1029 Construction and Design: Theories and Practice	6
DESST 1030 History of Settlements	3
Level I Electives to the value of 6 units	6

Level II

DESST 2500 Technology in Design	6
DESST 2501 Design Studio	6
DESST 2502 Architecture Histories & Theories	3
DESST 2503 Landscape Architecture Histories and Theories	3
Level II Electives to the value of 6 units	6

Level III

DESST 3027 Design for Sustainable Community...6	
DESST 3028 Natural and Landscape Systems6	
DESST 3030 Landscape Architecture Design Studio	6
Level III Electives to the value of 6 units	6

- 5.1.1.3 To qualify for the degree of Bachelor of Design Studies with an Architectural and Landscape Studies major a candidate shall pass the following courses to the value of at least 72 units

Level I

DESST 1027 Human Environments: Design and Representation	6
DESST 1028 Natural and Urban Systems	3
DESST 1029 Construction and Design: Theories and Practice	6
DESST 1030 History of Settlements	3
Level I Electives to the value of 6 units	6

Level II

DESST 2500 Technology in Design	6
DESST 2501 Design Studio	6
DESST 2502 Architecture Histories & Theories	3
DESST 2503 Landscape Architecture Histories and Theories	3
Level II Electives to the value of 6 units	6

Level III

DESST 3027 Design for Sustainable Community...6	
DESST 3028 Natural and Landscape Systems6	
DESST 3029 Architecture Design Studio	6
DESST 3030 Landscape Architecture Design Studio	6

- 5.1.1.4 To qualify for the degree of Bachelor of Design Studies without a major, a candidate shall pass the following courses to the value of at least 72 units:

Level I

DESST 1027 Human Environments: Design and Representation	6
DESST 1028 Natural and Urban Systems	3
DESST 1029 Construction and Design: Theories and Practice	6
DESST 1030 History of Settlements	3
Level I Electives to the value of 6 units	6

Level II

DESST 2500 Technology in Design	6
DESST 2501 Design Studio	6
DESST 2502 Architecture Histories & Theories	3
DESST 2503 Landscape Architecture Histories and Theories	3
Level II Electives to the value of 6 units	6

Level III

DESST 3027 Design for Sustainable Community...6	
Level III Electives to the value of 18 units*.....	18

* 6 units of these electives must be taken from the School of Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Urban Design.

- 5.1.1.5 The following courses have been approved by the School of Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Urban Design as electives towards the Bachelor degree.

Design Studies courses

Level I, II and III courses listed below (subject to availability each year:

Level I

DESST 1001 Special Topic in Design Studies IB	3
DESST 1007 Special Topic in Design Studies IA	3
DESST 1009 Art History and Theories IA	3
DESST 1013 An Introduction to Contemporary Arab Culture and Architecture	3
DESST 1019 Art History and Theories IB	3
DESST 1026 Special Topic in Design Studies IC	3
DESST 1031 Special Topic in Design Studies ID	3

Level II

DESST 2000 Special Topic in Design Studies IIC	3
DESST 2038 Digital Media II	6
DESST 2504 Art History and Theories IIA	3
DESST 2505 Art History and Theories IIB	3
DESST 2506 Digital Media IIA	3
DESST 2507 Special Topic in Design Studies IIA	3
DESST 2508 Special Topic in Design Studies IIB	3
DESST 2510 Special Topic in Design Studies IID	3
DESST 2511 Special Topic in Design Studies IIE	6
DESST 2512 Islamic Architecture & Gardens II	3
DESST 2513 Colonial and Contemporary Issues in South Asian Architecture II	3
DESST 2514 Conservation in the Built Environment II	3
DESST 2515 Special Topic in Design Studies IIF	6

Level III

DESST 3000 Conservation in the Built Environment III	6
DESST 3005 Special Topic in Design Studies IIIA	6
DESST 3012 Colonial and Contemporary Issues in South Asian Architecture III	6
DESST 3014 Special Topic in Design Studies IIID	6
DESST 3016 Special Topic in Design Studies IIIC	6
DESST 3017 Special Topic in Design Studies IIIE	6
DESST 3018 Special Topic in Design Studies IIIF	6
DESST 3023 Islamic Architecture & Gardens III	6
DESST 3024 Special Topic in Design Studies IIIB	6
DESST 3028 Natural and Landscape Systems	6
DESST 3031 Digital Media Studio	6

Economics courses

Students are permitted to enrol in approved courses listed in the Academic Program Rules of the degree of Bachelor of Economics provided they have the prerequisites.

Engineering courses

C&ENVENG 1008 Engineering Planning and Design I	3
C&ENVENG 1010 Engineering Mechanics - Statics	3
CHEM ENG 1008 Engineering Computing	3
MECH ENG 1006 Design Graphics and Communications	3
MECH ENG 1007 Engineering Mechanics - Dynamics	3

Humanities and Social Sciences courses

Level I courses listed in Academic Program Rule 5.12.1, Level II courses listed in Academic Program Rule 5.12.2, and Level III courses listed in Academic Program Rule 5.12.3 of the degree of Bachelor of Arts.

Law courses*

Level I

LAW 1501 Foundations of Law	3
LAW 1502 Law of Torts 1	3
LAW 1504 Principles of Public Law	3
LAW 1505 Law of Torts 2	3

Level II

LAW 2501 Australian Constitutional Law	3
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Level III

LAW 2502 Equity	3
LAW 2503 Criminal Law and Procedure	6
LAW 2504 Administrative Law	3
LAW 2505 Corporate Law	6

* available only to students who have gained admission to Law studies through SATAC

Mathematical and Computer Sciences courses

Level I courses listed in Academic Program Rule 4.2.1.1, Level II courses listed in Academic Program Rule 4.2.2.1, and Level III courses listed in Academic Program Rule 4.2.3.1 of the degree of Bachelor of Mathematical and Computer Sciences.

Music courses

Level I courses listed in Academic Program Rules of the degree in the Elder Conservatorium of Music and approved by them.

Science courses

Level I courses listed in the Academic Program Rules of the degrees of Bachelor of Agriculture and Bachelor of Science (Agricultural Science), and Level I, II and III courses listed in Academic Program Rules 5.5.1, 5.5.3 and 5.5.5 of the degree of Bachelor of Science in the Faculty of Sciences.

Courses offered by other faculties but not listed above may be acceptable on application and subject to the recommendation of the Head of the School of Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Urban Design and the department concerned, and the approval of the School.

Courses from other institutions

Such courses provided by other institutions as may be approved from time to time on the recommendation of the Head of School of Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Urban Design.

- 5.1.1.6 No candidate will be permitted to count for an award any course together with any other course which, in the opinion of the School contains a substantial amount of the same material; and no course or portion of a course may be counted twice towards the degree. No candidate may present the same section of a course in more than one course for a degree.
- 5.1.1.7 A candidate who has completed courses under any repealed Academic Program Rules in the Bachelor of Architectural Studies degree prior to semesterisation and amendments of the program in 1989, or in the Bachelor of Architectural Studies program between 1989 to 1996, or in the Bachelor of Design Studies program between 1997 to 2005, shall have status in equivalent courses under these Academic Program Rules.
- 5.1.1.8 When in the opinion of the Faculty special circumstances exist for a candidate affected by Academic Program Rules 1.3 and 5.1, the Council on the recommendation of the Faculty in each case may vary any of the provisions of these Academic Program Rules.

5.1.2 The Honours degree

- 5.1.2.1 A candidate who wishes to proceed to the Honours degree must obtain the approval of the Head of School, normally by 15 December of the year preceding enrolment.
- 5.1.2.2 A candidate for the Honours degree of Bachelor of Design Studies shall pass examinations in DESST 4001A/B Honours Design Studies which shall consist of either one topic to the value of 24 units or two topics to the value of up to 12 units each of an Honours course*.
- 5.1.2.3 A candidate may, subject to the approval of the Head of School in each case, include in their Honours year a course to the value of 12 units taught in a department/school in another faculty; such candidates must consult the Head of the Department/Head of School concerned and must apply in writing to the School Executive Officer by 15 December of the year preceding the proposed Honours year, seeking the approval of the Head of the School of Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Urban Design.
- 5.1.2.4 The work of the Honours year may not be commenced before a candidate has qualified for the Bachelor degree, or has qualified for a degree regarded by the School of Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Urban Design as equivalent and has completed such prerequisite courses (if any) as may be prescribed in the syllabuses.

5.1.2.5 The work of the Honours year must be completed in one year of full-time study, save that on the recommendation of the Head of School, the School may permit a candidate to spread the work over two years but not more, under such conditions as the School may determine.

5.1.2.6 If a candidate is unable to complete the program for the Honours degree within the time allowed, or if the candidate's work is unsatisfactory at any stage of the program, or if the candidate withdraws from the program such fact shall be reported to the School. The Head of School may permit the candidate to re-enrol for an Honours degree under such conditions (if any) as the Head may determine.

5.1.2.7 No exemption from any component of the requirements of 5.1.2 is permitted.

5.1.2.8 A candidate who satisfies the requirements for Honours shall be awarded the Honours degree, but the Faculty shall decide within which of the following classes and divisions the degree shall be awarded:

1	First Class
2A	Second Class div A
2B	Second Class div B
3	Third Class
NAH	Not awarded

5.2 Graduation

Subject to Chapter 89 of the Statutes, candidates who have satisfied the requirements for any award of the University shall be admitted to that award at a graduation ceremony for the purpose.

6 Special circumstances

When in the opinion of the relevant Faculty special circumstances exist, the Council, on the recommendation of the Faculty in each case, may vary any of the provisions of the Academic Program Rules for any particular award.

*Information on the approved courses from which the prescribed combination may be chosen shall be advised in the preceding year by the School of Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Urban Design.

Note: the courses to be offered in a particular year will depend upon the availability of staff.

**Transition Arrangements from 2009
(not forming part of the Academic Program Rules)**

- A student who has completed only one of the following courses: DESST 1023 Computer-Aided Design I and DESST 1024 Drawing Architecture and Landscape I, will be required to enrol in DESST 1027 Human Environments: Design and Representation and will be granted appropriate exemption from components of the course already completed.
- A student who has completed only one of the following courses: DESST 1008 Composing Architecture and Landscape I and DESST 1014 Construction I, will be required to enrol in DESST 1029 Construction and Design: Theories and Practice and will be granted appropriate exemption from components of the course already completed.
- A student who has completed only one of the following courses: DESST 2005 Technology in the Built Environment II and DESST 2034 Domestic Scale Construction, will be required to enrol in DESST 2500 Technology in Design and will be granted appropriate exemption from components of the course already completed.
- A student who has completed only one of the following courses: DESST 2016 Twentieth Century Architecture and Landscapes II and DESST 2023 Design and Environments II, will be required to enrol in DESST 2501 Design Studio, DESST 2502 Architecture Histories and Theories, and DESST 2503 Landscape Architecture Histories and Theories, and may be granted appropriate exemption from components of the course already completed.
- A student who failed DESST 2036 Technology in Design will be required to take DESST 2500 Technology in Design.
- A student who failed DESST 2037 Cultures, Histories and Designed Environment will be required to take DESST 2501 Design Studio, DESST 2502 Architecture Histories and Theories and DESST 2503 Landscape Architecture Histories and Theories.

Graduate Attributes

Bachelor of Design Studies

Knowledge

- To form and express deep criticism of architectural and landscape design objects from a broad perspective
- To generate and present relevant proposals for intervention in situations in the built environment
- To combine criticism and proposal generation into a working process of design.

Intellectual and social capabilities

Instrumental:

- Finding, ordering, sifting, filtering, organising information
- Intelligent use of library resources and research of library materials
- Information acquisition, collation and management from libraries and other sources.

Visualising, representing & manipulating spatial objects:

- Representing and manipulating spatial objects
- Drawing and model making using hand and computer techniques.

Writing:

- Designing, outlining, and refining thought expressed with the written word, using hand and computer techniques.

Speaking:

- Designing, outlining, organising, and refining thought expressed with the spoken word.

Computing:

- Computational techniques using algorithms and data relationships.

Working in groups:

- Acting as both a leader and a member of a group of individuals.

Attitudes and values

Critical Thinking:

- To present coherent intellectual structures within which observation, analysis, understanding and judgement of situations.

Creative Action:

- To present current knowledge of the act of designing from both theoretical and practical perspectives
- To demonstrate its application to the management of the design process.

Architecture and Landscape Architecture:

- To present accounts of the built and human modified environments, the processes of its production, and the positions, values and preferences that influence its forms and patterns
- To demonstrate the relevance of these accounts
- To demonstrate the understanding of the synergies between architecture and landscape architecture.

