Master of Architecture (MArch) Admission Information

APPLICATION DEADLINES
The priority application deadline for fall 2015 admission is January 1, 2015. Priority for admission, scholarships and other funding will be given to students who complete their application by this date. The program will accept applications through April 15, 2015 as openings permit.

To be considered for a fellowship, applicants must submit their complete application for admission by the following deadlines: US Students January 1, 2015; International Students December 1, 2014. Additional information regarding fellowships can be found on the school's financial aid page: knowlton.osu.edu/students/financial-aid.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS
For step-by-step instructions on how to use the online application, please refer to gradadmissions.osu.edu. Required application materials are listed below. Please note for the online application submission, the preferred internet browser is Internet Explorer.

- OSU Graduate School Admission Application and Application Fee | Online application at gradadmissions.osu.edu
  Application fee: $60 for US citizens and permanent residents; $70 for international applicants
- Official Graduate Record Examination (GRE) Scores | OSU reporting code: 1592
- Transcripts | Official transcripts are required from each institution from which college credit was awarded. OSU transcripts are not required for credit earned at OSU. A scan of an official transcript may be uploaded to the online application to fulfill this requirement. If admitted, a final official transcript must be submitted. Mailed transcripts should be sent to the OSU Graduate Admissions Office (mailing address on reverse side). See gradadmissions.osu.edu for details.
- Evidence of English Proficiency | Official TOEFL, IELTS or MELAB scores are required for any applicant whose native language is not English, and who has been educated primarily outside of the U.S. Exclusions and details can be found at gradadmissions.osu.edu FAQs. OSU reporting code: 1592
- Statement of Intent | 1-2 pages; Upload through the online application
- Resume | No more than 2 pages; Upload through the online application
- Three Letters of Recommendation | The online application will include instructions to use the electronic recommendation form
- Portfolio | Applicants may submit a portfolio as an uploaded attachment to the online application, or a hard copy portfolio may be sent to the Knowlton School Graduate Programs Coordinator (mailing address on reverse side). There is no prescribed set of requirements for the portfolio except for restrictions on size. A digital file may not exceed 30MB and a hard copy must be 8.5”x11” or smaller. All applicants regardless of their previous experience must submit a portfolio. The portfolio should be well-designed and cohesive, and it should demonstrate the applicant’s ability to clearly present material. Program-related projects are strongly encouraged, but the portfolio may include any creative visual work (eg. photography, painting). Number of pages and format of the portfolio is left to the discretion of the applicant. The name of the applicant and the program for which he/she is applying should be clearly marked on the portfolio. We will not return hard copy portfolios unless a self-addressed stamped envelope is enclosed with your submission.

MONITOR YOUR APPLICATION STATUS ONLINE
Once an application has been submitted, you can monitor the status of your application at gradadmissions.osu.edu. As materials are received, they should be noted as complete online within a few days. Please note that during the months of December and January, we do receive an influx of applications and processing time may take longer. The majority of admissions decisions will be made January-March, though notifications may continue through the summer.
ADMISSION QUALIFICATIONS

Previous Education
A bachelor's degree (in any discipline) from an accredited college or university is required to be considered for admission to the MArch program. Applicants who possess a bachelor of science in architecture degree from an NAAB accredited program, or a four-year architecture degree from an accredited foreign college or university may be considered for admission into the MArch program with advanced placement into the second year of the program. Applicants will be placed into the first or second year of the three year program based on an evaluation of all application materials. There are currently no course prerequisites to be eligible for admission into the program, but it is recommended that you have taken a basic math and physics course prior to starting the program.

GPA
In order to be considered for admission, applicants should generally have at least a 3.0 cumulative undergraduate GPA on a 4.0 scale, or a B average on another scale. If an applicant has taken undergraduate coursework at multiple institutions, the GPA will be combined into one overall undergraduate GPA. Graduate credit is calculated into a separate graduate GPA.

Graduate Record Examination (GRE) Scores
Valid test scores must be from within the last five years. Although higher scores are encouraged, target scores are 150 on both verbal and quantitative, and 3.0 on the written essay. Please note that these are not minimum scores.

English Proficiency Scores
Please refer to the gradadmissions.osu.edu website for details regarding this requirement. Target scores to be admitted into the MArch program are as follows: 600 paper-based TOEFL, 100 IBT, 86 MELAB, or 8.0 IELTS. Lower scores may be considered based on strength of the application and an additional interview process. Minimum scores that can be accepted by the OSU Graduate School are: 550 paper-based TOEFL, 79 IBT, 82 MELAB, or 7.0 IELTS. Valid test scores must be from within the last two years.

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