

COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
MINOR IN SUSTAINABLE ARCHITECTURE AND PLANNING

The Minor in Sustainable Architecture and Planning (SARP) provides undergraduate students with a multidisciplinary approach to understanding sustainability of the built environment. The curriculum emphasizes an awareness of responsible practices at a variety of scales impacting the built environment: buildings, communities, architectural systems, global resource management, and social equity. Students will become aware of responsible architectural design and develop critical thinking skills to address the multifaceted issues facing the profession today. The Minor in Sustainable Architecture and Planning can serve as a complement to several major fields of study and is open to all Texas A&M University undergraduates. The structure of the minor encourages students to gain a broad understanding of before advancing to specialized areas of interest. Coursework includes six credit hours at the introductory level (100 and 200 level courses) and nine credit hours in specialized subjects, three of which must be at an advanced level (300 and 400 level courses) for a minimum total of 15 credit hours.

SIX hours are required from the following courses:

Course	Title	Hours	Core Curriculum	Prerequisites
ARCH 213	Sustainable Architecture Note: Taught Spring semesters only	3	KLPC, UICD	None.
URPN 460	Sustainable Communities	3		Department majors and minors only or approval of instructor. Note: one section of this class will be for non-majors only.

NINE hours are required from the following courses.^{1,2,3} At least three of these nine hours must be at the 300 and 400 level. Six of these nine hours may be in coursework taken outside the College of Architecture.

Course	Title	Hours	Core Curriculum	Prerequisites
ARCH 310	Site Planning and Design	3		Admission to upper level in environmental design, construction science or landscape architecture
ARCH 421	Energy and Sustainable Architecture	3		Junior or Senior classification or approval of instructor
ARCH 446	Introduction to Historic Preservation	3		Junior or Senior classification
ENGR 101	Energy Resources, Utilization and Importance to Society	4	UHUM, UVPA	None
GEOG 202	Geography of the Global Village	3	UHUM, KLPC, UICD	None
GEOG 306	Introduction to Urban Geography	3	UICD, USSC	None
GEOG 330	Resources and the Environment	3	USSC	None
PHIL 205	Technology and Human Values	3	UHUM	None
URPN 202	Urban and Regional Planning	3		Junior or Senior classification, majors only or approval of instructor Note: one section of this class will be for non-majors only
URPN 361	Urban Issues	3	ICD	Junior or Senior classification or approval of instructor

NOTES:

1. For students pursuing the Bachelor of Environmental Design (B.E.D.) Degree. Coursework taken to satisfy requirements for the minor may be simultaneously applied to general or free electives, but may not be simultaneously applied in Directed Electives. Courses that count toward University Core Curriculum can count for both the Sustainable Architecture and Planning minor and that specific core requirement.
2. For students pursuing the University Studies Architecture (U.S.A.R.) Degree. Coursework taken to satisfy requirements of the concentration area cannot be simultaneously applied to the minor in Sustainable Architecture and Planning. Courses that count towards University Core Curriculum can count for both the minor in Sustainable Architecture and Planning and that specific core requirement.
3. Students should consult their catalog for course equivalents that satisfy Core Curriculum.
4. Students must complete a minimum of 6 hours in residence at the 300 and 400 level.

Application: Students must receive signed approval from the Department of Architecture Undergraduate Advisor or the Academic Advisor for the Minor. After approval, application is completed in the student's home college or major department.

Eligibility: Students applying for a minor in Sustainable Architecture and Planning must have a 2.0 or better overall GPR. Some colleges and departments outside the College of Architecture do not permit their students to minor.

Satisfactory completion of course: To be awarded the minor in Sustainable Architecture and Planning and receive transcript recognition, students must obtain a "C" or better in each course listed on the minor (or in any transfer course used as an equivalent).

Transfer courses: The student's home college or major department may grant, with agreement from the Department of Architecture, the transfer of one upper division course. A course syllabus must be submitted for review by the Department of Architecture in order to be considered for transfer credit.

Effective date: The minor becomes effective at the beginning of fall semester 2013. Students declaring a minor in Sustainable Architecture and Planning must meet all requirements listed in this document to receive transcript recognition.

Advising: The student's home college or major department is responsible for advising students pursuing a minor in Sustainable Architecture and Planning.

Degree Audit: The degree audit in Compass will certify during the semester of their graduation that students have met the requirements for the summer. The minor will be recognized after graduation on the transcript, but not on the diploma. Once declared, minor requirements become graduation requirements.

Name: _____

Date: _____

UIN: _____

MAJOR: _____

Email: _____

Expected Graduate Date: _____

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Reviewed and approved by the Department of Architecture

Student GPR above 2.0 ___ YES ___ NO

Academic Advisor, Department of Architecture

Date