

Faculty of Arts, Design and Humanities ADH

Programme Specific Regulations

Programme title/award:

BA(Hons) in Architecture

Programme code:

K10050

Owning Board:

Architecture

Name of professional/statutory/regulatory body:

Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA)
Architects Registration Board (ARB)
Lembaga Arkitek Malaysia (LAM)

Passing a module/Compensation

No compensation is available. All modules are must-pass modules and therefore students must achieve a pass mark of 40 per cent.

Reassessment

A student will have a maximum of 90 credits of reassessment opportunity at each level of study.

Progression between undergraduate levels of study

To progress from level 4 to level 5, and from level 5 to level 6, a student must have passed at least 120 credits.

Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)

Students with appropriate prior educational experience may apply for consideration to enter the programme at Level 5 with Recognised Prior Learning (RPL). No advanced entry is permitted beyond Level 5 entry.

Exit awards

Exit awards do not give ARB exemption to part 1

Programme title/award:

Programme code:

Owning Board:

Name of professional/statutory/regulatory body:

Master of Architecture (MArch)

K10047 FT; K10048 PT

Architecture

Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA)

Architects' Registration Board (ARB)

Lembaga Arkitek Malaysia (LAM) – applies only to students who have a minimum 6 months approved practical experience before entering the Full Time Part 2 Programme.

University generic regulation	Programme-specific regulation
1.2 Credit accumulation and award	To gain the award of MArch a student requires 240 credits of which 120 are at level 7 and 120 are at level 6.
1.3 Credit accumulation and compensation	Students are not eligible for compensation. All modules are must-pass modules and therefore students must achieve a pass mark of 40%.
2.2.2 Substitution of Failed Modules	The generic regulation is not applicable to the MArch.
3.1.3; 3.1.8 Progression from level to level	Students must pass all modules in the year of study before progressing to the next year of study. This applies to both full-time and part-time students.

3.1.12 Reassessment Opportunities at Level 6	Students are entitled to one reassessment only in each of the modules on the programme.
3.1.15 Honours Degree Classification	<p>The MArch award may be made at pass level, with merit or with distinction. The overall aggregate mark is calculated from the average of all module marks in the programme, taking into account module credit weighting.</p> <p>A distinction may be awarded if a student has an average of 70% or above across all modules, taking into account the module credit weightings.</p> <p>A merit may be awarded if a student has an average of 60% or above, taking into account the module credit weightings.</p>

MArch Exit Awards

Exit Awards

To attain the MArch itself all the modules that comprise it must be passed at 40%. This is enforced in order to comply with the professional bodies' requirements, which allow the university award to replace the professional body award – ARB and RIBA Part 2.

Furthermore, all the modules in each year of the programme must be passed at 40% before the student can progress to the next year.

The University wishes to recognise the achievements of those students who only pass some of the modules, however, and the exit awards are designed to do this. The Graduate Certificate in Architectural Studies recognizes passing of the modules comprising the first part of the programme, the Advanced Graduate Certificate in Architectural Studies recognizes passing of the modules comprising the first part of the programme plus any one or two out of the three modules that comprise the second part of the programme. Thus students will have to have entered the second part of the programme to be eligible for either of the exit awards.

As the achievement of these exit awards only means partial completion of the MArch Programme, the awards CANNOT be recognised by the professional bodies RIBA and ARB and will NOT therefore be validated nor prescribed by them. So they do NOT provide exemption from the RIBA Part 2 examination for professional qualification and are NOT ARB prescribed. As these are exit awards only, students cannot enrol onto the modules with a view to attaining the exit awards. In order to avoid any ambiguity as to standards required, the pass mark has to remain at 40% for the modules, as required by the professional bodies, and no condonements or lower pass marks will be allowed.

Graduate Certificate in Architectural Studies

ARCH 3411 – Design 1

ARCH 3412 – Design 2

ARCH 3413 – History Theory & Criticism ARCH 5013 – Comprehensive Dissertation

Advanced Graduate Certificate in Architectural Studies

ARCH 3411 – Design 1

ARCH 3412 – Design 2

ARCH 3413 – History Theory & Criticism ARCH 5013 – Comprehensive Dissertation Plus one or two of:

ARCH 3414 – Practice Management and Law ARCH 5011 – Design 3 ARCH 5012 – Comprehensive Design Project

Programme title/award:
Programme code:

PG Dip Architectural Practice

Owning Board:

Architecture

Name of professional/statutory/regulatory body:
(RIBA)

Royal Institute of British Architects

Architects Registration Board (ARB)

Determination of Final Award

To become eligible for the award of Post-Graduate Diploma in Architectural Practice, candidates must satisfy the Examination Board in respect of the following the satisfactory completion and passing of every component of each of the course modules:

Module ARCH 5210 – Practice, Management and Law;

Module ARCH 5211 - Case Study;

Module ARCH 5212 - Evaluation of Practical Experience & PEDRs;

Module ARCH 5213 - Practice Paper Exam and Professional Interview;

Please note that the Professional Interview is the summative assessment of the course and overrides all other elements of the Course. If a candidate fails or is referred in the Professional Interview they cannot go forward for the award and must normally wait a minimum of 12 months before they can attend another Interview.

Failure in Assessment/Non-Attendance

A student who fails a module and as such fails to satisfy the Examination Board in all or part of the overall assessment, and/or fails to attend some part of the course, may be permitted to re-sit appropriate examinations, resubmit work, and/or to attend a specific part of the course, once more, on such terms and conditions and after such a period as the Examination Board may prescribe.

A Referred Candidate must attend a Professional Interview as directed by the Examination Board. This will be after a minimum of 12 months.

Diploma Classification

The Post-Graduate Diploma is awarded as a 'Pass' or 'Fail'.

A Pass shall normally be awarded in the case where the student has achieved a pass in all essential components of each module with a mark of 50% or above.

Course Duration

The course is of one year's duration. Candidates have a right of referral according to university regulations. A candidate can be registered on the course for a maximum of three years, with one reassessment opportunity.

RIBA Examination in Professional Practice (Part 3)

All students gaining the Post-Graduate Diploma in Architectural Practice are deemed to have gained exemption from the RIBA Examination in Professional

Practice and are eligible for registration as architects through the ARB and membership of the RIBA.

National Design Academic Programme specific regulations

Owning Board:

Design: NDA

Programme specific regulations for National Design Academy

FdA Interior Design	W25012
FdA Heritage Interior Design	W25013
BA (Hons) Interior Design	W25044
BA (Hons) Heritage Interior Design	W25045
BA (Hons) Interior Design (Top-up)	W25046
BA (Hons) Heritage Interior Design (Top-up)	W25047
Graduate Certificate in Interior Design	W25048
MA Interior Design	W25072
FdA Retail Design	W29011
BA (Hons) Retail Design	W29041
BA (Hons) Design for Outdoor Living	W29042
BA (Hons) Retail Design (Top-up)	W29043
BA (Hons) Design for Outdoor Living (Top-up)	W29044

Passing a module/Compensation

- All modules must be passed at 40%. No compensation is available (UG programmes only)

Reassessment

- A student will have a maximum of 90 credits of reassessment opportunities at each level of study (UG programmes only)

Progression

- Progression occurs on a module-to-module (i.e., sequential) basis: a student cannot progress to the next module until the preceding module has been passed (UG & PGT)*

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National Design Academy programmes: undergraduate and postgraduate

To clarify the non-standard progression regulations:

Progression occurs on a module-to-module (i.e., sequential) basis: a student cannot progress to the next module until the preceding module has been passed (UG & PGT). Progression is permitted on unratified results to allow students to progress on their programme of study between assessment boards.

ADH Masters Programmes with Postgraduate Placement option

To be eligible to progress to the optional placement, a student should normally have passed their first four modules (60 credits) at the first attempt. Eligibility to proceed to placement is also subject to satisfactory course attendance.

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