

# Architect Degree Apprenticeship

## About the programme:

**The Architect Degree Apprenticeship (level 7) at De Montfort University (DMU) is fully accredited by the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) and Architects Registration Board (ARB).**

This accreditation recognises that the course content meets and exceeds the criteria set out by both UK professional bodies and provides apprentices with RIBA and ARB Part 2 and Part 3 certification.

The apprenticeship programme is integrated with the existing award-winning MArch Architecture and PG Diploma in Architectural Practice programmes at DMU.

Apprentices will study alongside existing part-time and full-time students, benefiting from state-of-the-art technical and studio-based facilities within the esteemed Vijay Patel Building at the heart of the DMU campus.

This programme is aligned to the Architect Apprenticeship (level 7) standard and is allocated Funding Band £21,000 by the Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education (IfATE).

## Who is this apprenticeship suitable for?

This apprenticeship is suitable for professionals who are looking to enhance their career in architecture. See entry requirements below.

## What are the entry requirements?

- Must be employed professionals who are ARB Part 1 validated
- Undergraduate degree in Architecture
- Employed by a practice who will support the individual's participation in the entire programme
- Mentor who is a RIBA and ARB Part 3 registered Architect.

## What level qualification will be achieved?

- Master's in Architecture (MArch)
- RIBA and ARB Part 2 and Part 3
- Level 7 Architect Degree Apprenticeship
- PG Diploma in Architectural Practice.

Successful completion of this apprenticeship will provide access to membership of the RIBA following successful registration with the ARB.

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## What is the duration of the apprenticeship?

The duration of this apprenticeship is 4 years.

## What modules will be studied?

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
Design Project 1	Technical Realisation	Design Thesis Project and Integrated Technical Component	RIBA Part 3 Taught Components
Design Project 2	Practice, Management and Law		
	Dissertation		End Point Assessment (EPA)
RIBA and ARB Part 2 (MArch)		RIBA and ARB Part 3 (PGDip)	

## Reasons to study at DMU:

- The Leicester School of Architecture (LSA) was established in 1897 making it one of the oldest and most established schools of architecture in the UK with a strong sense of academic and professional community.
- LSA teaching staff are published authors, academic specialists and career architectural educators, meaning students are taught by practicing architects.

## What is the delivery model?

This blended work-based programme is taught over 48 months. During the first three years of the programme apprentices will attend DMU for one day per week during term-time. During the fourth and final year apprentices will study in intensive blocks, which will include lectures, seminars and tutorials. In addition, apprentices will be expected to dedicate further hours per week towards self-directed study throughout the programme.

## How is the apprenticeship assessed?

This is an integrated apprenticeship which incorporates on-programme academic and workplace learning. The End Point Assessment (EPA) will test the knowledge, skills and behaviours as detailed in the Architect Apprenticeship (level 7) standard.

This Master's programme is designed to enable apprentices to apply the academic theory to their own organisation and role. All apprentices are required to create a portfolio which will capture the knowledge, skills and behaviours developed on the programme and in the workplace.

This will contribute to their EPA and enable apprentices to reflect, plan and evaluate their development. Portfolio software will be used to capture all information and training will be provided to all apprentices on how to use the software.

**Discover, Develop, Deliver.**

