Architecture

The Architecture concentration allows students to develop a broad understanding of the concepts and methods for the planning and design of buildings, landscapes, and cities. The concentration was planned with the explicit goal of connecting architectural training firmly with the humanities and providing a greater awareness of global, environmental, social and economic issues in the built environment. This approach to the education of architects and urban planners is meant to provide them with the tools needed in today’s urban global society. Students who complete a specific track within the concentration will have the option of transitioning into a 2-year Masters of Architecture program at the Rhode Island School of Design or several other architecture schools.

Concentration Requirements

Please note: concentration requirements in Architecture are currently under review. New requirements for students who declare in summer 2021 and beyond will be announced shortly.

Two RISD double-credit Design Studios: Students will take the courses at the Rhode Island School of Design but will register at Brown.

- HIAA 0001 Architectural Design
- HIAA 0002 Advanced Design Studio

Six Core Requirements: 6

Select Four (4) courses from RISD: Students will take the courses at the Rhode Island School of Design but will register at Brown.

- HIAA 0003 Architectural Projection (alternative IntAR Intro to Drawing)
- HIAA 0004 Architectural Analysis
- HIAA 0005 Structural Analysis
- HIAA 0006 Wood Structures
- HIAA 0007 Environmental Design II

Select Two (2) Courses from Brown:

- HIAA 0010 A Global History of Art and Architecture
- HIAA 0042 Islamic Art and Architecture
- HIAA 0081 Architecture of the House Through Space and Time
- HIAA 0070 Architecture and Urbanism of Africa
- HIAA 0850 Modern Architecture
- HIAA 0860 Contemporary Architecture
- HIAA 1181 Prefabrication and Architecture

Six Additional Electives: 6

Two courses from History and Theory:

- HIAA 0070 Introduction to American Art: The 19th Century
- HIAA 0081 Architecture of the House Through Space and Time
- HIAA 0560 Constructing the Eternal City: Popes and Pilgrims in Early Modern Rome
- HIAA 0070 Architecture and Urbanism of Africa
- HIAA 0860 Contemporary Architecture
- HIAA 1181 Prefabrication and Architecture
- HIAA 1440B The Architecture of Solitude: The Medieval Monastery
- HIAA 1910A Providence Architecture
- HIAA 1910D Water and Architecture

Two Classes from Engineering and Design:

- ENGN 0030 Introduction to Engineering
- ENGN 0040 Dynamics and Vibrations

Total Credits 16

Honors

For students in the concentration who intend to go to architecture school afterwards, typically their design project in their double credit second RISD studio will be ideal for a capstone or honors project. For others, who might tend towards theory or history of architecture, an honors thesis is still a valid option.
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