MS in Architectural Studies with Emphasis in Environment and Behavior

The Environment and Behavior focus is on the multifaceted relationships between people and their physical, social and cultural environments. Environment-behavior research explores a variety of environments, linking them to a range of behavioral concerns. This program is suitable for persons who seek careers in research, consulting, and/or teaching in architecture, interior design, and other environmental design disciplines.

Current study areas in environment and behavior include:

- Health and Well-Being
- Sustainable Design
- Design Education
- Social and Cultural Bases of Design
- Place Attachment
- Environments for Learning
- History of the Designed Environment
- Design Planning and Analysis
- Analysis of Building Types
- Aesthetics of Design
- Inclusive Design/Accessibility
- Environment and Aging
- Housing and Neighborhood Design
- Programming, Design and Post-Occupancy Evaluation

The culmination of the MS degree is a written thesis. Applicants interested in the Environment and Behavior option should contact the Director of Graduate Studies, for course content and research proposals. Also see the Department website (http://arch.missouri.edu) and the Architectural Studies Graduate Handbook (http://arch.missouri.edu/docs/academics/PhD/handbook.pdf).

Degree Requirements

Successful completion requires a minimum of 30 credit hours beyond the baccalaureate degree, 15 of which must be at the 8000 to 9000 level.

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* Courses count toward the design research concentration.
# Students are strongly encouraged to attend at least 3 summer workshops, held the last week of June on campus.

Admissions

Applicants are required to meet the minimum requirements of the Graduate School (http://gradschool.missouri.edu/admissions/eligibility-process/minimum-requirements.php). Because requirements vary, please refer to the degree program’s graduate admission page to learn about specific admission criteria, application deadlines, eligibility and application process. Before official admissions to the University of Missouri, your application materials will be reviewed by both the Office of Graduate Studies and the degree program to which you’ve applied.

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