

# Studying UCD Architecture

Year 1

Engage with the principles

Architectural Design — Studio-based learning

History & Theory of the  
Designed Environment

Architecture &  
its Environment

Architectural  
Technologies

Theory & Design  
of Structures

Into Practice

Years  
2 & 3

Refine your knowledge

Architectural Design — Studio-based learning

History & Theory  
of the Designed  
Environment

The Indoor  
Environment

Architectural  
Technologies

Theory & Design  
of Structures

Ecology of  
Architecture

Framework  
for Practice

BSc [Architectural Science] [Honours]

Optional Year Out – Experience the world of work

Years  
4 & 5

Achieve mastery of your practice

Design Technologies

Research & Innovation in the  
Designed Environment

Professional Studies

International study abroad options

Architectural Design

Research Dissertation

Master's Design Thesis

MArch [Honours]

Specialise through  
UCD graduate study

Master's [MArchSc –  
Taught/Research] & PhD

Sustainable Building  
Design & Performance [taught]  
Conservation & Heritage [taught]  
Urban Design [taught]  
Landscape Studies [taught]  
Irish and European Landscape  
and Urbanisation [research]  
History and Theory  
of Architecture [PhD]

Diploma in  
Professional Practice

Professional  
Architect

Shape your career with  
UCD Architecture

Alternative Careers

Conservationist  
Designer  
Graphic Designer  
Heritage Site Manager  
Lecturer  
Planning Adviser  
Project Manager  
Researcher

Continue to develop your professional career with UCD...

The main pathway to becoming a professional architect includes three steps: a) Completion of the BSc Architectural Science, b) Completion of the Master's in Architecture [MArch] and c) Completion of the Professional Diploma after a minimum of two years in practice.