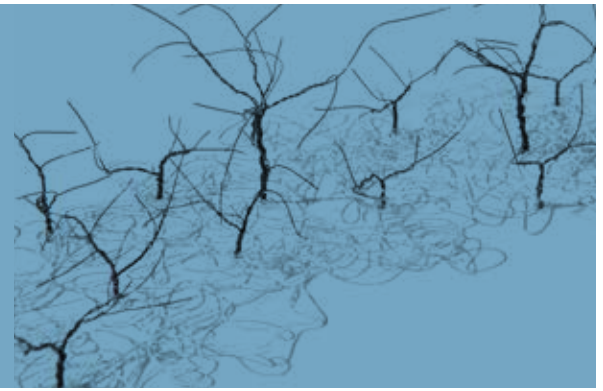


LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

TRANSFERS + CHANGE OF MAJOR/CAMPUS
ADMISSION BY ESSAY, ADVANCED PLACEMENT BY PORTFOLIO



PROCESS

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TRANSFERS

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STEP 1 – PENN STATE UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSION APPLICATION

Undergraduate admissions application is required for transfer students. Apply at admissions.psu.edu

STEP 2 – PREPARE COVER LETTER + ESSAY

Cover Letter (1 page)

- Address to Eliza Pennypacker, Department Head.
- Tell us about yourself: describe your journey in your education and why you are considering a change.

Essay (3–5 pages)

- Why are you interested in entering the landscape architecture profession?
- What personal aptitudes do you possess that demonstrate why you're suited to becoming a landscape architect?
- What about Penn State Landscape Architecture most interests you?

STEP 3 – SUBMIT COVER LETTER + ESSAY VIA SLIDEROOM

- Submit materials at stuckemanpsu.slideroom.com by *February 15* for priority admission consideration for fall semester. Later submissions will be accepted on a rolling basis until program is filled.

After letter and essay review, successful candidates will be selected. At that point you can enter in the first year, or apply via portfolio for advanced placement into the second year of the structured Landscape Architecture curriculum.

PORTFOLIO

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REQUIREMENTS BY INTENDED YEAR OF ENTRY

Accepted students wishing to enter at 1st Year: No portfolio or additional steps are required.

Welcome to Penn State Landscape Architecture as a first year student!

Accepted students wishing to enter at 2nd Year: Portfolio submission required (also via SlideRoom)

- You are required to submit a portfolio for consideration to enter as a second year student.
- All portfolios will be reviewed and students will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis for recommendation to first- or second-year placement.

OPTIONAL – LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE SUMMER INTENSIVE PROGRAM

- A one-month, residential program in early summer to offer a potential fast track through the first year curriculum.
- Intended to assist advanced COM and Transfer students to trade 1 academic year for 1 intense, cost-effective month that will help you craft a portfolio for second-year placement consideration.
- Total cost of the summer program is less than 10% of the full academic year in-state tuition rate.
- No price difference for in-state versus out-of-state for 1 month in summer.

MORE INFO

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ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- stuckeman.psu.edu/larch/what-landscape-architecture
- asla.org/yourpath

