



I want to be an architect.

"I started out trying to create buildings that would sparkle like isolated jewels; now I want them to connect to form a new kind of landscape, to flow together with contemporary cities and the lives of their peoples."

- Zaha Hadid

SAMPLE STUDY PLAN

Foundation Studies Programme



Delivered by UP International College New Zealand

Duration:

- 6 months
- 8-9 months
- 12 months

The Victoria University Wellington Foundation Studies Programme ensures you not only meet VUW undergraduate course entry requirements but that you are fully prepared for the challenges of degree-level study.



Bachelor of Architectural Studies (BAS)



Delivered by Victoria University of Wellington

Duration: 3 years



Master of Architecture (Professional)



Delivered by Victoria University of Wellington

Duration: 2 years



Registered Architect



Career opportunities

Te Herenga Waka – Victoria University of Wellington's Architecture programme is recognised nationally and internationally.

The BAS major in Architecture, along with a Master of Architecture (Professional), fulfils the academic requirements needed to register as an architect with the New Zealand Registered Architects Board and join the New Zealand Institute of Architects.

EMPLOYABILITY

To become a registered architect, one pathway is for those with:

- Bachelor of Architectural Studies (3 years), and
- Master of Architecture (Professional) (2 years).

Related occupations: (Some of the roles may require a higher level of skill than entry-level architects)
Architectural Technician, Building Designer, Building Planner, Conservation or Heritage Architect, Garden Designer, Industrial Designer, Interior Designer, Surveyor.



Pay for architects varies depending on experience and location. Architects in the Auckland region may earn more.

Architectural graduates with up to five years' experience usually earn from **\$59,000 - \$77,000**

Architects with five to ten years' experience usually earn between **\$82,000 - \$112,000**

Senior architects with more than ten years' experience can earn from **\$97,000 - \$143,000**

Source: Hays, 'Salary Guide FY 21/22', 2022

Demand for architectural graduates has remained stable over recent years with most finding work in the industry. This demand is expected to continue at the same rate

Growth in the number of construction and infrastructure projects in New Zealand has created a strong demand for experienced architects, especially in Auckland. There are fewer opportunities for architects in regional centres.


Architectural students should gain as much work experience as they can by taking up internships and other opportunities. Having a portfolio of work increases your chances of getting a job. It is also important to widen your networks by attending industry functions and conferences.

Find out more at careers.govt.nz



STUDENT TESTIMONIAL

"My studies have enabled me to communicate architecture through the language of imagery and visualisation—languages that are an integral part of our everyday lives yet can be so easily misunderstood. From 3D renders to quick table-napkin hand sketches, the degree helps to develop key skills for getting ideas across quickly and simply, as well as providing opportunities to extend networks to the professional world outside of the university."



Esekia Faiga - Graduate, Bachelor of Architectural Studies and Master of Architecture (Professional)

Overview

BACHELOR OF ARCHITECTURAL STUDIES



VICTORIA UNIVERSITY OF
WELLINGTON
TE HERENGA WAKA
NEW ZEALAND

Study the Bachelor of Architectural Studies to be part of designing and shaping the built environment—inside or out.

Why choose architecture

As we respond to new challenges such as environmental sustainability, the evolution of technology, and the changing needs of human habitation, we are constantly making and remaking the physical world. The BAS gives you the knowledge and practical skills you need to start your journey towards a career in the fields of architecture, landscape architecture, or interior architecture.

What you'll learn

- First year:** A solid understanding of the built environment—both in New Zealand and globally.
- Second year:** Focus on your chosen major—Architecture, Interior Architecture, Landscape Architecture, or Architecture History and Theory.
- Third year:** You'll delve even further into your chosen subject and apply what you've learned to large-scale projects and research assignments.



TOP 1%
OF THE WORLD'S UNIVERSITIES
IN 18 SUBJECT AREAS*



TOP 2%
OF THE WORLD'S
18,000 UNIVERSITIES*



100+
COUNTRIES REPRESENTED BY
OUR STUDENTS

*2022 QS World University Rankings by Subject

FOUNDATION STUDIES PROGRAMME

Programme type	Fast-track	Standard	Standard Plus	Foundation Connect
Duration	6 months	8-9 months	12 months	6 months
Tuition fees*	\$18,750 NZD	\$23,250 NZD	\$29,900 NZD	\$15,990 NZD
Resource fee	\$800 NZD	\$800 NZD	\$800 NZD	\$800 NZD**
Exam fee	\$350 NZD	\$350 NZD	\$350 NZD	\$350 NZD**
Application fee	\$400 NZD	\$400 NZD	\$400 NZD	\$400 NZD**
2023 Start dates (incl. Orientation)	17 February, 28 April, 13 July, 6 October	17 February, 28 April, 13 July, 6 October	17 February, 28 April, 13 July, 6 October	17 February, 28 April, 13 July, 6 October
English language requirements***	IELTS 6.0 (no band less than 5.0)	IELTS 5.5 (no band less than 5.0)	IELTS 5.0 (no band less than 4.5)	IELTS 4.5 (no band less than 4.0)
International entry requirements	IB: at least 4× 4 grade CIE: 2 B grades and 2 C grades	IB: at least 3× 4 grade CIE: 4 C grades	IB: at least 2× 4 grade CIE: 2 D grades and 2 C grades	Please contact UP International College at international@up.education

*The tuition fees quoted above are in \$NZD and are correct at the time of publication (30 November 2022). Visit wgnt.up.education

** Students starting with Foundation Connect will pay the Resource, Application and Exam fees once and will not be charged again upon progression to Foundation.

***IELTS criteria can be substituted for assessment with an UP English Language Test (UPELT) or accepted equivalents.



PROGRESSION REQUIREMENTS

To gain entry to a Victoria University of Wellington undergraduate degree from the Foundation Studies Programme:

- Successfully complete 120 credits in the Foundation Studies Programme.
- Achieve 50% or higher in all English courses and two other core subjects, equal to 60 credits.
- Achieve 50% or higher in six optional subjects equal to 60 credits (300 marks out of a possible 600).

Programme	Intakes	Minimum Duration (Years)	Minimum English language proficiency	Notes
Bachelor of Architectural Studies	February	3	50% in English for Tertiary Study Parts I and II (subjects in Foundation Studies programme)	Entry into the second year is competitive and based on first-year results

SCHOLARSHIPS

Progression Scholarships

Progression scholarships of up to NZ\$5,000 are awarded towards the tuition fees of the first year of undergraduate degree study at Victoria University of Wellington.

Pathway Scholarships

International Excellence Scholarships of up to NZ\$5,000 and Fast Track Foundation Scholarships of up to NZ\$2,500 are available for the Foundation Studies Programme.

Foundation Connect Scholarship

Student who successfully progress from Foundation Connect programme to Standard Foundation programme will be awarded up to NZ\$5,000 scholarship if they achieve top results.



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