

What to do with a degree in...

ARCHITECTURE

A degree in Engineering, Architecture or Technology provides the knowledge and tools for problem solving. Architects solve problems day-to-day with creative solutions in the built environment. Without a doubt, this challenging profession is one that is ultimately rewarding. Work in this field ranges from

digital and hand design to actual construction and project management. Client interaction and site visits are also a large part of Architecture, making it a very social and exciting career.

SKILLS

In the Architecture degree program, students will work closely together with faculty, understanding formation of a design concept through digital and hand drafting, graphic sketching, technical inking and hand rendering, digital modeling, and computer rendering.

Graduates obtain a special ability to collaborate on interdisciplinary design teams in a studio-based education accompanied by supporting core areas of emphasis in technology, architectural history and theory, and architectural management.

CAREER PATHS

ARCHITECT - PRINCIPAL
ARCHITECTURAL JOURNALIST
ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN
BUILDING CONTRACTOR
BUILDING INSPECTOR
BUILDING RESEARCHER
CORPORATE ARCHITECT
CITY MANAGER
CREATIVE DIRECTOR
DRAFTSPERSON
ILLUMINATING ENGINEER

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT
MARINE ARCHITECT
REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS
SPECIFICATION WRITER
SURVEYOR
TECHNICAL ILLUSTRATOR
UNIVERSITY ARCHITECT
URBAN PLANNER

WHO HIRES ARCHITECTURE MAJORS

1Architecture
Beck
Callison LLC
Corgan
Dewberry
Frankfurt-Short-Bruza Associates
GH2 Architects
Guernsey

HKS
KSQ Architects
LWPB Architecture
Pickard Chilton
Selser Schaefer
SGA Design Group
SHW Group
Sterling Group of Companies



STARTING AVERAGE SALARIES

(DATA GATHERED FROM
OSU CEAT GRADUATES)

2022 - \$57,600

2023 - \$56,311

2024 - \$62,064

TIPS FOR SUCCESS IN ARCHITECTURE

- Time management: Keep a calendar; learn when/where you study best; do not procrastinate. Architecture is about meeting deadlines.
- Practice your visual communication skills more often than you think you need. Try water color, acrylic, pastels, colored pencils, pen and pencil techniques. Hand rendering skills are timeless.
- Remember that digital design softwares are *tools*, they should not dictate your design solutions.
- Know your professors. They want to see you putting in an effort. Ask them questions and make sure you understand their answers.
- Join the American Institute of Architecture Students which meets after studio on scheduled Wednesdays. AIAS runs most of the events in the architecture school including: fundraisers, gatherings and lectures.

GET INVOLVED ON CAMPUS

American Institute of Architecture Students (AIAS)

Construction Specifications Institute (CSI)

Tau Sigma Delta

Additional Resources About Architecture Careers:

aias.ceat.okstate.edu

archcareers.org

arch-ceat.okstate.edu

csi.ceat.okstate.edu

MARKETABLE SKILLS OF ARCHITECTURE GRADUATES

- Architectural building analysis
- Understanding of building systems, materials, sustainable issues, architectural styles and industry sectors
- Knowledge of design processes including: Concept generation, site planning and building programming
- Technical knowledge of: Construction documentation, building and legal coding systems and project management



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