# MLA CAPSTONE SUMMARY

**For 2020-21 Academic Year**

**MLA**: MAY CHOOSE FROM 3 OPTIONS  
**MLA/MUP**: REQUIRED TO DO THESIS OPTION  
**MLA/MARCH**: REQUIRED TO DO THESIS OPTION

## Purpose of the Capstone
Completing an MLA capstone represents the culmination of your graduate program. It is designed to be a project and process that builds your confidence and sense of competence in the field of Landscape Architecture, particularly in developing your ability to connect theory and practice and to broadly reflect on those connections. The faculty is committed to helping each of you complete your capstone. They will work with you to frame, shape, and develop it, sharing their experience and expertise.

### Thesis
- **Topic Selected by Student**
- **Thesis Committee**  
  Chair: LA Faculty  
  Member: LA Faculty, LA Adjunct or other UW Faculty

#### Products
- Thesis Proposal  
- Presentations (3)  
- Thesis (submitted to Graduate School)

#### Required Courses (12)
- Autumn: LARCH 590 Thesis Prep Seminar (3)  
- Winter: LARCH 700 Thesis (6)  
- Spring: LARCH 700 Thesis (3)

#### Optional Courses
- Count as Open Electives  
- Winter: LARCH 701 Thesis Studio (1-6)  
- Spring: LARCH 701 Thesis Studio (1)

### Group Project
- **Topic Selected by Group**
- **Faculty Supervisor**  
  Supervisor: LA Faculty

#### Products
- Group Project Proposal  
- Presentations (3)  
- Document (as defined by Group + Supervisor)

#### Required Courses (12)
- Autumn: LARCH 590 Thesis Prep Seminar (3)  
- Winter: LARCH 703 Group Project (6)  
- Spring: LARCH 703 Group Project (3)

#### Optional Courses
- Count as Open Electives  
- Winter: LARCH 701 Thesis Studio (1-6)

### Capstone Studio
- **Multiple Students**  
- **Topic Selected by Instructor**

#### Instructor
- Instructor: LA Faculty - Nancy Rottle

#### Products
- Presentations  
- Studio Portfolio  
- Additional products as defined by Instructor

#### Required Courses (12)
- Autumn: LARCH 702 Cap.Studio Prep Sem. (1 cr)  
- Winter: LARCH 702 Capstone Studio (6)  
- Spring: LARCH 702 Capstone Studio (5)

#### Optional Courses
- Count as Open Electives  
- Winter: LARCH 701 Thesis Studio (1-6)  
- Spring: LARCH 701 Thesis Studio (1)

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*For MLA/MUP + MLA/MArch students, thesis committee is 1 faculty member from each department.*