University of Washington | Department of Landscape Architecture

BLA Degree Directed Electives List

See credit requirements for each area on BLA Degree Requirements Checklist. Note that courses listed below are approved and listed in the Degree Audit Reporting System (DARS). If you wish to take a course not listed below that is offered at UW or another institution, you may propose that course counting as a Directed Elective using the Department’s Curriculum Petition form and process. You should meet with the Undergraduate Program Adviser to discuss this potential as you get underway with the Curriculum Petition.

PLANTS ELECTIVE | 3-5 CR

BLA students are required to take one additional upper division course (300-level or higher) in ecological restoration or plant management.

APPROVED COURSES:

| Biology (BIOL) | 331, 422, 424, 425, 441, 446 | II Period Registration 331: Plant ID course |
| Environmental Science and Resource Management (ESRM) | 323, 331, 411, 412, 428, 473, 474, 478, 479 |

ECOLOGY / FORESTRY | 2 courses (minimum 6 credits)

Each student is required to take 2 courses (minimum of 6 credits). Directed electives for ecology and forestry provide students with exposure to the theoretical framing, methodological approaches and applicability of research in the ecological sciences.

APPROVED COURSES:

| American Indian Studies (AIS) | 380, 385 |
| Anthropology (ANTH) | 488 | II Period Registration |
| Atmospheric Sciences (ATMS) | 350, 475 | 475: Prereqs |
| Biology (BIOL) | 315, 331, 356, 418, 422, 424, 425, 446, 447, 449, 470, 472, 473, 474, 476, 478, 480 | II Period Registration |
| Civil Engineering (CEE) | 463 | Cross listed SAFS (limited space) |
| Environmental Studies (ENVIR) | 310, 313, 330, 362, 410, 478 |
| Earth and Space Sciences (ESS) | 301, 305, 315, 326, 426, 427, 454, 475 |
| Fisheries (FISH) | 312, 323, 428, 447, 448, 454, 455, 458, 473, 474, 478 | 312, 323: II Period Registration |
| Geography (GEOG) | 317, 360, 438, 461 | 317, 360, 461: Limited space |
| Oceanography (OCEAN) | 475 |
| Quantitative Science (Q SCI) | 451, 454, 458 |

ENVIRONMENTAL LAW AND POLICY | 1 course (minimum 3 credits)

Each student is required to take 1 course (minimum of 3 credits). This directed elective provides student learning in legal, political, and/or transactional conditions related to the design or management of built environments.

APPROVED COURSES:

| American Indian Studies (AIS) | 308, 311, 365, 380 |
| Anthropology (ANTH) | 459, 487 | II Period Registration only |

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Comparative History of Ideas (CHID) 332, 433
Construction Management (CM) 310, 331, 333, 335, 411, 421, 423 331: Prereqs, CM minors only 421, 423: take during last quarter
Disability Studies (DIS ST) 332, 433
Economics (ECON) 435, 436
Entrepreneurship (ENTRE) 370 II / III Period Registration only
Environmental Studies (ENVIR) 360, 379, 384, 433, 459, 476
Environmental Science and Resource Management (ESRM) 320, 321, 371, 381, 400, 403, 421, 423, 458, 460, 461, 465, 470
Fisheries (FISH) 461
Geography (GEOG) 370, 377, 445, 448, 467, 472, 474, 478 467: Cross listed LSJ (limited space)
International Studies (JSIS B) 350, 433
Law, Society and Justice (LSJ) 332, 433, 467, 474
Political Science (POL S) 384
Real Estate (RE) 250, 401
Scandinavian Studies (SCAND) 350
School of Marine and Environmental Affairs (SMEA) 433, 476, 480
Sociology (SOC) 379 Cross listed ESRM 371 (limited space)

**URBAN DESIGN + PLANNING / 1 course (minimum 3 credits)**
Each student is required to take 1 course (minimum of 3 credits). This directed elective introduces practices of city and/or regional planning beyond the site scale.

**APPROVED COURSES:**

Community, Environment, and Planning (CEP) 498
Urban Design & Planning (URBDP) 300, 404, 405, 422, 423, 424, 466, 498, 499

**LAND / 1 course (minimum 3 credits)**
Each student is required to take a minimum of one course in geology or earth science offered through the Earth and Space Sciences Department. This directed elective supplements but does not replace LARCH 434 Urban Soils and Hydrology. These courses have a mandatory prerequisite course: one of ESS 101, ESS 105, ESS 210, or ESS 211. BLA students typically complete this prerequisite prior to entering the program.

**APPROVED COURSES:**

Earth and Space Sciences 301, 305, 315

Note: ESS 315 is offered in winter term only and ESS 301 and 305 are offered in alternating spring terms.