MLA/MUP (4-YEAR TRACK) – TYPICAL COURSE SEQUENCE

UW CBE **MLA/MUP**

Effective for students entering Autumn 2026 or later - Minimum 121 credits required

	AUTUMN		WINTER		SPRING	
	Year 1					
●	LARCH 401 Design Foundations Studio	(6)	● LARCH 402 Urban Sites Studio	(6)	● LARCH 403 Ecological Systems Studio	(6)
●	LARCH 570 Theory + Scholarship	(3)	○ MLA Socio-Political Dimensions of Design Selective rec: LARCH 561 Experience of Place	(3)	○ MLA BioPhysical Ecology Selective rec: LARCH 563 Ecological Design + Planning	(3)
●	LARCH 431 Landform + Grading	(3)	● LARCH 440 Digital Technologies in LA I	(3)	○ LARCH 423 Plant ID + Management	(5)
●	LARCH 411 Landscape Representation	(3)			● LARCH 571 Introduction to Faculty Research	(1)
		15		17		15
	Year 2					
○	MLA Advanced Studio	(6)	○ MLA Advanced Studio	(6)	○ MLA Advanced Studio	(6)
●	LARCH 432 Materials + Construction	(3)	● LARCH 433 Design Implementation	(3)	● LARCH 424 Planting Design	(3)
●	LARCH 441 Landscape Architecture Digital Technologies II	(3)	● LARCH 473 LA Professional Practice	(3)	○ MLA Soils + Hydrology Selective rec: LARCH 434 Urban Hydrology + Soils	(3)
	Elective(s)	(3)	○ MLA BE History Selective rec: LARCH 553 History of Modern Landscape Arch.	(5)		
		15		17		12
	Year 3					
●	URBAN 500 Survey in Urban Planning	(4)	● URBAN 501 Comprehensive Planning + Implementation	(4)	● URBAN 507 Urban Planning Studio	(5)
●	URBAN 520 Quantitative Methods	(5)	● URBAN 506 Planning Studio Prep	(3)	● URBAN 512 Research Seminar or L ARCH 572 Research Methods in LA	(3)
●	URBAN 527 History, Ethics, Form and Theory I (HEFT I)	(3)	● URBAN 528 History, Ethics, Form and Theory II (HEFT II)	(3)	● URBAN 580 Legal + Administrative Framework	(3)
○	MUP Elective: URBAN 504 Intro to GIS recommended	(3)	○ MUP Restricted Elective or Elective	(3)	○ MUP Restrictive Elective or Elective	(3)
		15		13		14
	Year 4					
●	URBAN 518 Qualitative Methods	(3)	Thesis (URBAN 700 + LARCH 700)	(6)	Thesis (URBAN 700 + LARCH 700)	(3)
	Elective(s) (LARCH 590 Thesis Prep Seminar highly recommended)	(3)	○ MLA Advanced Media Selective	(3)	Elective(s)	(3)
		6		9		6

Legend

Courses in gray must be taken by the quarter indicated to remain in sequence.

Courses in white may be taken in a different quarter than shown based on the actual course selected by the student.

● Required course: Student must take that specific course.

○ Selective/Directed Elective course: Student chooses which course to take to fulfill requirement from the list of approved options. See MLA Curriculum Guide and MUP Restricted Elective Requirements for courses.

Notes

Students may take courses in addition to those listed above. Full-time tuition applies when taking between 7-18 credits. Part-time tuition applies when taking 1-6 credits. Enrollment over 18 credits requires additional tuition. Students with loans should check with the UW Financial Aid Office about minimum credits required per quarter.

Only 400-level and above courses may fulfill MLA/MUP degree requirements. The minimum credit requirement remains at 121 regardless of waived coursework. Total credits may exceed the minimum total. This form is for planning purposes only; individual course plans may differ, consult the MLA + MUP Program Coordinators.