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Master of Landscape Architecture

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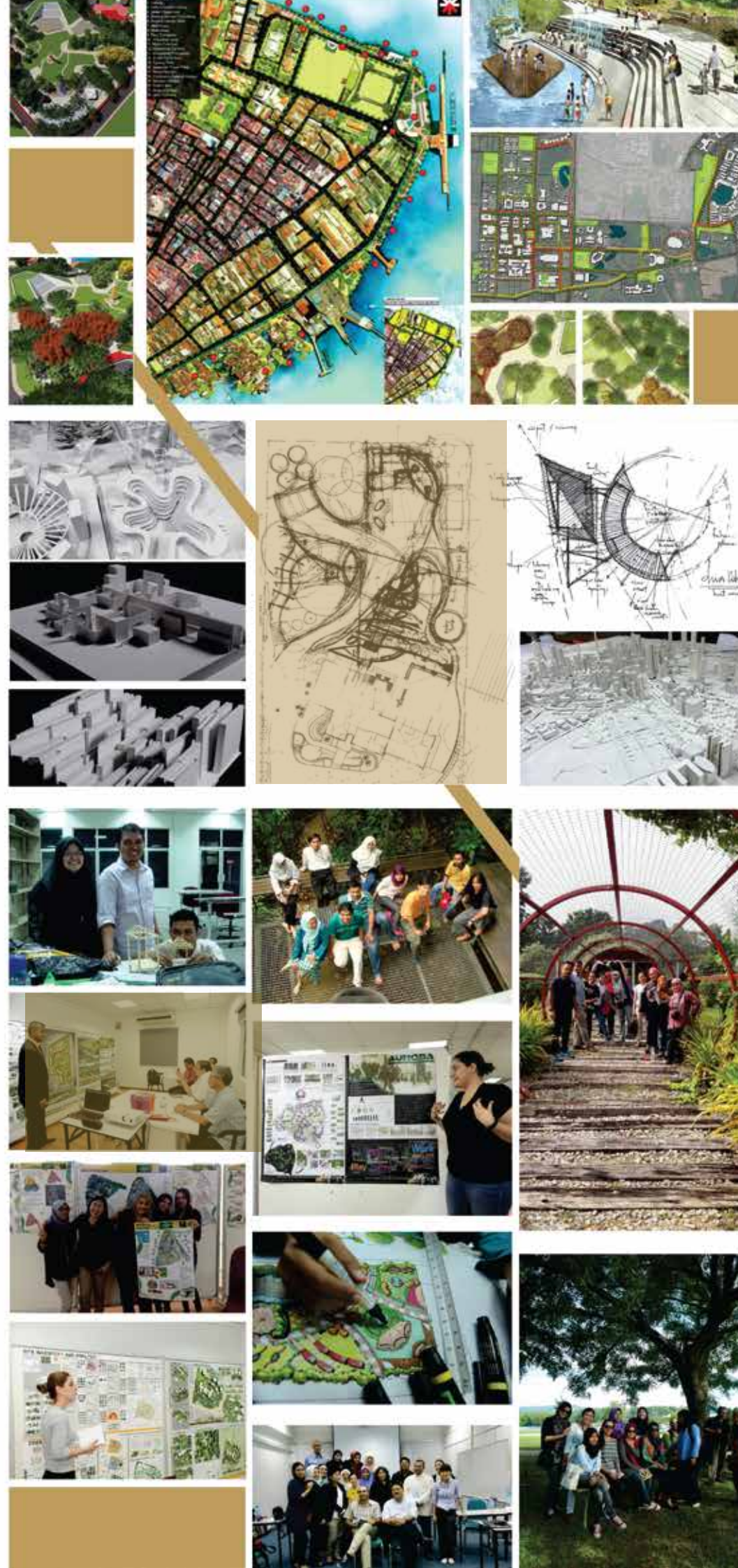
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WHAT IS SO SPECIAL ABOUT UPM MASTER OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE PROGRAMME?

UPM's **Master of Landscape Architecture** programme is well established since 1996 and it is also the only MLA programme that is accredited by the Institute of Landscape Architects, Malaysia (ILAM). This means that a graduate from UPM MLA programme will be eligible to be accepted as a corporate member of ILAM and be allowed to practice as a landscape architect in Malaysia. The MLA programme in UPM is taught by qualified and experienced lecturers from the faculty as well as associate professionals from well-established landscape architectural firms within and outside the Klang Valley.

The Faculty of Design and Architecture provides environments conducive to teaching and learning for students to enhance their creativity as well as develop professional and living skills. Comfortable teaching studios, well-equipped lecture rooms, computer labs, construction workshops, etc. are available for student use. The Faculty of Design and Architecture and UPM also have one of the largest collections of landscape plants among all universities in the country.

WHAT PRIOR PREPARATION DO I NEED TO ENROL IN THE UPM MLA PROGRAMME?

Candidates who wish to enroll for the Master of Landscape Architecture programme should have a great interest in environmental issues affecting the natural and built environment. They should also have a good interest in art and design. While skills in both art and design are not prerequisites to enroll in the programme, candidates are encouraged to acquire basic skill in art on their own prior to enrolling.

AM I QUALIFIED TO ENROL IN UPM MASTER OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE PROGRAMME?

The **Master of Landscape Architecture** programme at UPM accepts candidates with an accredited Bachelor of Landscape Architecture degree or other non-landscape architecture degrees such as architecture, planning, engineering, agriculture, forestry, environmental sciences, etc. Candidates from landscape architecture and other design based bachelor degrees are eligible to apply for relevant exemption of courses under certain conditions. Candidates from non-design degrees are encouraged to take additional courses like in graphics to enhance their drawing and visual communication skills. Candidates from foreign countries need to check with UPM Graduate School for English and other requirements.

HOW DO I STUDY THE MLA?

The **Master of Landscape Architecture** programme is designed to provide opportunities for students to independently acquire knowledge and skills pertaining to their future careers. While mandatory core courses are required of all students, they are free to register for additional courses to enhance their knowledge and skills to prepare them for employment. Teaching and learning modes include lectures, discussions, dialogues, seminars, studio works and field trips. Students are expected to know what they want and prepare themselves to achieve their dreams. Students are also expected to be committed in their studies and spending long hours working in studios is a norm.

HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE TO GRADUATE AND HOW MUCH WILL IT COST?

Students in MLA are required to complete a total 62 credits of mandatory coursework. It normally takes 5 semesters to complete. Students need to pay the credit and semester fees. They also need to pay for field trips and stationeries including art materials for presentations. You need to contact us for a breakdown of fees.

MASTER by COURSEWORK

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ENTRY Requirement

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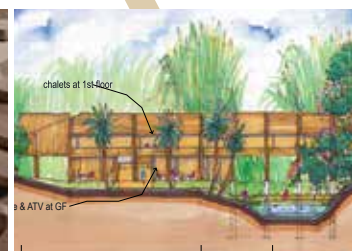
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ADMISSION REQUIREMENT

- Bachelor Degree in Landscape Design or equivalent in related field
- Minimum CGPA of 2.50
- Or working experience for at least 1 year in related field

INTERNATIONAL CANDIDATE

TOEFL score of at least 550 or a score of 6-0 in the IELTS examination;

EXAMPLES OF COURSES OFFERED
REQUIRED COURSES

No.	Code	Course Title	Credit Hours
1	LAR 5001	Basic Design Studio	3
2	LAR 5100	Graphic Communication	3
3	LAR 5200	History of Landscape architecture	2
4	LAR 5201	Landscape Architecture Philosophy and Theory	2
5	LAR 5001	Landscape Design Studio	4
6	LAR 5002	Landscape Planning Studio	4
7	LAR 5300	Planting Design Studio	3
8	LAR 5102	Landscape Graphic Computer	2
9	LAR 5400	Landscape Ecology	4
10	LAR 5500	Landscape Engineering	4
11	LAR 5501	Landscape Construction	3
12	LAR 5520	Landscape Management	4
13	LAR 5600	Urban Design Studio	4
14	LAR 5800	Landscape Architect Professional Practice	3
15	LAR 5900	Research Methodology in Landscape Architecture	2
16	LAR 5901	Landscape Project Write-up	6
17	LAR 5999	Landscape Design Project	6

ELECTIVE COURSES

No.	Code	Course Title	Credit Hours
18	LAR 5203	Design Appreciation	3
19	LAR 5601	Urban and Regional Planning	3
20	LAR 5801	Landscape Legislation	3

HOW TO APPLY

Online Application at School of Graduates Studies
(http://sgsportal.upm.edu.my/j2ee/portal/login.jsp)

HOW DO I ENQUIRE FURTHER ABOUT UPM MASTER OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE PROGRAMME?

You are encouraged to find out further about the UPM Master of Landscape Architecture programme by calling or emailing the following contact:

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