



programme

Master of Architecture Programme

The 2-year M.Architecture programme is professionally accredited (Part 2) by HKIA and ARB. It is designed for candidates who possess both undergraduate Architecture degree and relevant working experience.

The programme integrates design, theories and research, and delivers knowledge of professional architectural practice. Students need to complete a design thesis for graduation, and they can sit for professional examinations to become Registered Architects after fulfilling the professional training requirements. With the subject sites based in Hong Kong and Asia, design projects explore issues of 'sustainability', 'preparedness and response to natural disasters' and 'social responsibility in architecture'.



Architectural Design & Sustainability II
Thesis is a 2-semester long process that requires students to combine knowledge gained in Research Methodology to pursue a sustainable design project which they researched and developed independently under the supervision of supervisors and professional consultants.

technical
knowledge*
12 credits

design**
40 credits

skills*
2 credits

societal*
4 credits

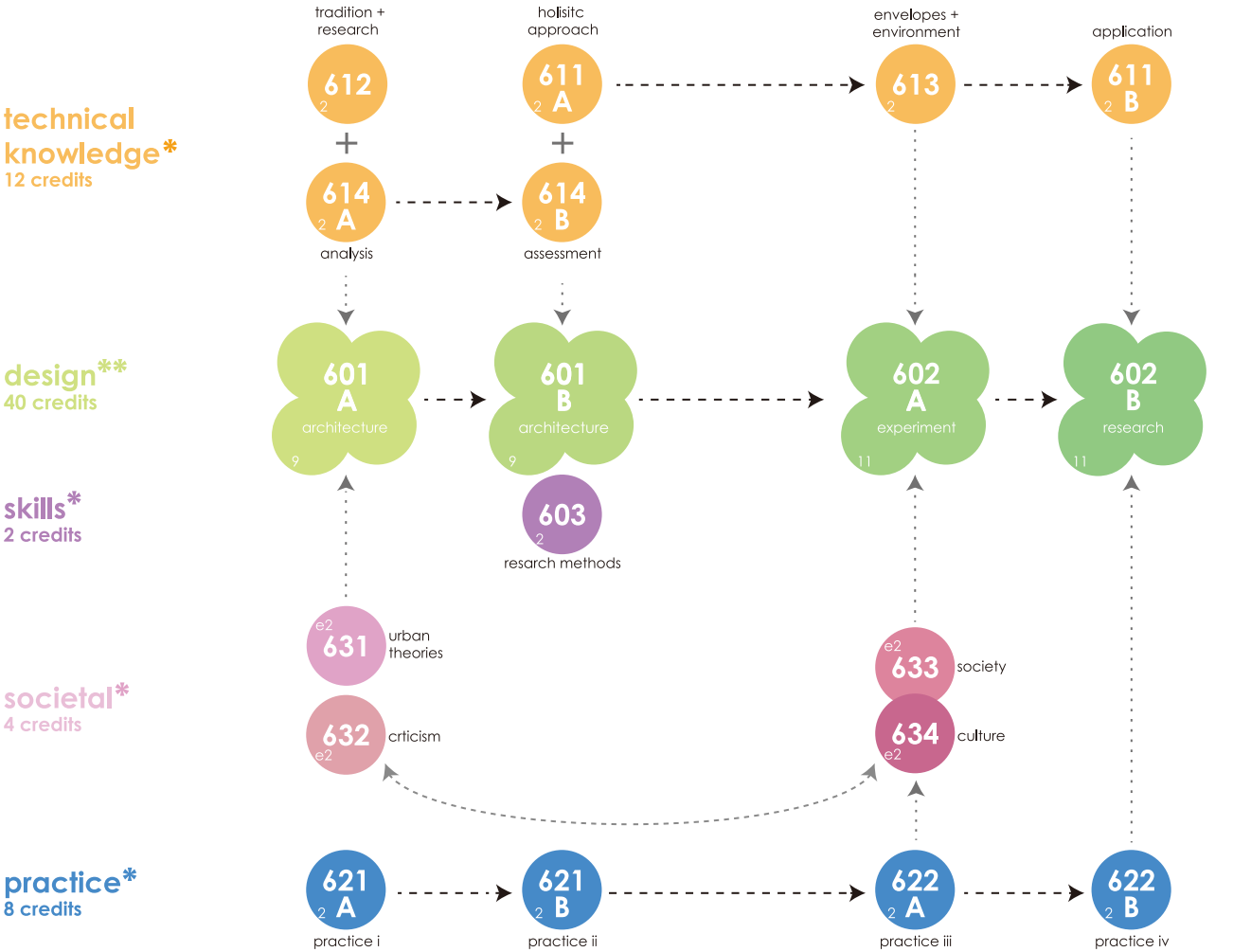
practice*
8 credits

year 01: design
term 01

term 02

year 02: research
term 03

term 04



term 01 (fall)		credits
RAH601A	Architectural Design and Sustainability I A	9
RAH612	Traditional Sustainable Built Environment	2
RAH614A	Building Environmental Assessment A	2
RAH621A	Professional Practice I A	2
RAH631	Urban Theories in Contemporary Societies	2

term 02 (spring)		credits
RAH601B	Architectural Design and Sustainability I B	9
RAH603	Research Methodology in Architecture	2
RAH611A	Holistic Approach in Sustainability A	2
RAH614B	Building Environmental Assessment B	2
RAH621B	Professional Practice I B	2

term 03 (fall)		credits
RAH602A	Architectural Design and Sustainability II A	11
RAH613	Active and Passive Systems in Sustainable Design	2
RAH622A	Professional Practice II A	2
RAH632/633/634	Elective	2

term 04 (spring)		credits
RAH602B	Architectural Design and Sustainability II B	11
RAH611B	Holistic Approach in Sustainability B	2
RAH622B	Professional Practice II B	2

electives		credits
RAH632	Cultural Theory and Criticism in Architecture	2
RAH633	Chinese Society, Culture and Urbanism	2
RAH634	Film, Architecture and Urbanism	2

Admissions Requirements

- Holding a recognised Bachelor Degree or Equivalent Qualification.
 - Pre-professional bachelor degree in architecture; AND
 - 10-month working experience in the architecture-related discipline*;
- One of the following English proficiency requirements**:
 - Scoring a Level 3 or above in English in Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (DSE); OR
 - Scoring a Level E or above in English in Hong Kong AS Level Examination (ASL); OR
 - Scoring not lower than 500 in writing; not lower than 79 in on-line test in TOEFL; OR
 - Scoring not lower than 6.0 in IELTS (Academic paper) ; OR
 - Scoring not lower than 425 in CET-4; OR
 - Pass in both oral and written paper in PETS-5

*only employment blocks of at least five months duration each would be considered
**applied to applicants whose bachelor degrees obtained are from a university or institution of which the language of teaching and/or examination is not English

Application Procedures

- Applicants may apply online or in person, or mail the following to:
Admissions Unit (M.Arch 2021), Chu Hai College of Higher Education,
80 Castle Peak Road, Castle Peak Bay, Tuen Mun, N.T. Hong Kong.
- Completed application form
A completed application form duly signed by the applicant, together with one recent photo (photo size: 1 1/2inch) and one photocopy of the applicant's HKID Card or Passport.
 - Two letters of recommendation
Letters of recommendation should be written by Referees to evaluate the applicant's capability in pursuing the course. The referees should include the applicant's full name and programme of study in the letters.
 - Personal statement
The personal statement should be written in English (800 words maximum) by the applicant to describe the applicant's background, past work in the Architecture industry (note: minimum 10 months of practical training is required), plan of graduate study and professional career.
 - Academic transcripts
A certified true copy of transcript from each university attended, with class of honours and credits earned, is required.
 - Portfolio showing previous works
All applicants should submit a portfolio, containing reproductions of the previous academic and professional projects, that shows the original drawings, prints, graphic design, sculpture, etc. Portfolios must be A4-sized booklets. No other form of portfolio is accepted.
 - Proof of working experience
Proof of working experience, such as employers' letters
 - Proof of English proficiency
Certificate of relevant examination
 - Application Fee
A non-refundable application fee of \$300 for local applicants, or \$600 for non-local applicants.
 - Deadline of Application
First round (local and non-local applicants): February 26, 2021
Second round (non-local applicants): April 30, 2021
Second round (local applicants): June 30, 2021
 - Tuition Fee
For 2021-2022 Master of Architecture 2-Year Full-Time Programme:
HK\$ 110,000 per year (HK\$ 55,000 for each instalment for each academic semester)

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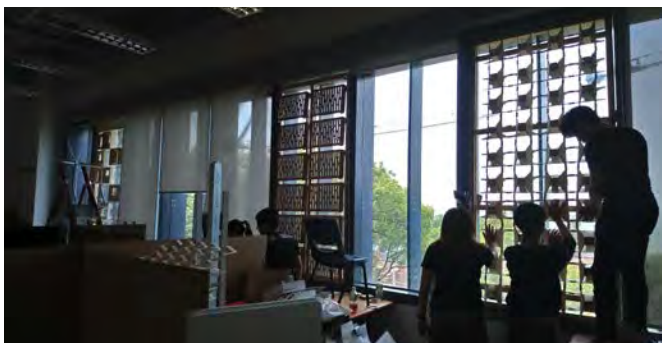
open discussion @ sakamoto studio, osaka

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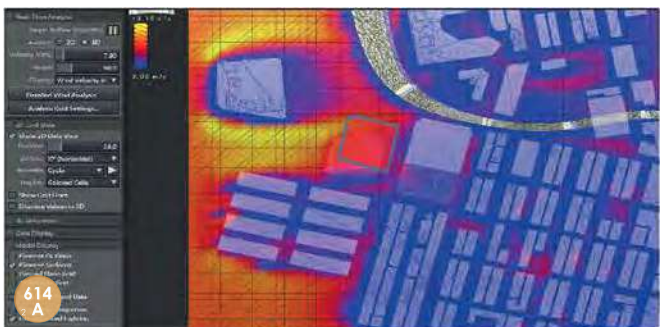
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visitation to thailand government royal irrigation department for "climate change design studio"



Active and Passive Systems in Sustainable Design
Sustainable systems are examined to enhance indoor and outdoor environmental quality, and minimize the environmental load while stimulating new architectural forms.

613
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design thesis:
cyberpunk for tomorrow

602
A,B



International Design Programme (IDP)
IDP exposes students to contemporary architecture and urbanism challenges through international design collaboration

602
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631

visit @ c-lab, national chengkung university, taiwan



Film Architecture and Urbanism
The lecture makes use of cinematic techniques in film to analyze the commonality of manipulation of time, space, light, colour and sound in architecture design. It employs video montage techniques to reflect conventional architectural representation and search for a new utility in the commentary, editing and portrayal of design.

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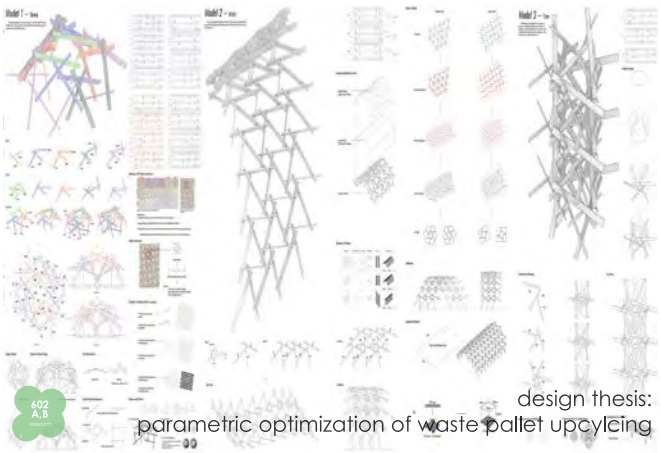
HKIA student medal award

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CIC BIM Design Competition 2020 Merit award

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B



design thesis:
parametric optimization of waste pallet upcycling

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A,B



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The curriculum examines architecture and urbanism in a sustainable manner via digital and scientific methods to design buildings and cities for the global village. With the subject sites based in Hong Kong and Asia, design projects explore issues of 'sustainability', 'preparedness and response to natural disasters', and 'social responsibility in architecture'. The programme consists of four Professional Practice modules that enable students to understand the roles of contemporary architects in the aspects of design, management, codes and conduct.