



## REGISTRATION INFORMATION

### College of Architecture

*Class of 2024*

*The Sam Fox School registers first-year students during the summer using information you provide on your Registration Worksheet in WebSTAC. You will not be authorized to register yourself. Read the following carefully and please email your Four-Year Advisor with any questions!*

#### THE BIG PICTURE

The total units required for your degree is 122 for the BS (Bachelor of Science) and the BA (Bachelor of Arts). This means you need to average **15 credit hours/semester** to graduate in four years. The majority of courses are 3 credit hours, though some such as seminars or music lessons are 1 or 2 credit hours. For your first semester we suggest enrolling in **13-16 credit hours**.

#### REQUIRED COURSES

##### ***Introduction to Design Processes I***

A46 ARCH 111B

This course is the first in a sequence of eight design studios you will take each semester in the College of Architecture. Students who later opt for the BA will take six design studios. (4.5 credits)

##### ***Practices in Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Urban Design***

A46 ARCH 183B

This course offers first-year students in the College of Architecture an introduction to the subjects, theories, and methodologies of the disciplines of architecture, landscape architecture, and urban design. (1.0 credit)

##### ***History of Western Art, Architecture & Design***

L01 Art-Arch 113

This course is required for the BS and BA and is taught in the fall only. It is writing-intensive, so some students opt to take it the following fall. Please contact your Four-Year Advisor if you have

questions about whether to take the course next year. (3.0 credits)

### ***College Writing***

L59 CWP 112-119

All WashU students are required to complete a writing course during their first year. **The College Writing Office determines whether you take the course in the fall or spring semester.**

Assignments are made in mid-summer and you will be notified once an assignment has been made. To satisfy the writing requirement, you will choose from among [several themed options](#). (3.0 credits)

***\*Some students will be contacted to take the Writing Placement Exam. Please take this as soon as possible to ensure you are enrolled in the appropriate course.***

### ***Calculus I***

L24 Math 131

You should plan to take Calculus I in the fall unless you have an Advanced Placement Math AB or BC exam score of 5 or an International Baccalaureate High Level (HL) score of 6 or 7. Please review the [Advanced Placement Credit Procedures](#) or the [International Baccalaureate Procedures](#) for details. If you do not need to take Calculus, you may take an elective course in this slot.

## ELECTIVE COURSES

You will have room in your fall schedule for **one or two additional courses**. Those suggested below are commonly taken by first-year Sam Fox students. Some fulfill Distribution Requirements and others count as elective credit.

A word about **Distribution Requirements**: College of Architecture students must fulfill requirements in each of the following areas: 3.0 credits in Humanities (**Arch: HUM**), 3.0 credits in Social and Behavioral Sciences (**Arch: SSC**), and 6.0 credits in Natural Sciences and Mathematics (**Arch: NSM**). *Note: Calculus and Physics (which you are required to take as a sophomore) fulfill your NSM distribution requirements.*

Distribution requirements do not need to be fulfilled during your first year. For a course to count as a Distribution Requirement, it must have the distribution code (e.g. Art: HUM) listed under "Attributes" in the course description online.

Suggested electives:

- ***Designing Creativity: Innovation Across Disciplines***  
A46 ARCH 175 (3.0 credits, Arch: HUM)
- ***Introduction to Computer Science***  
E81 CSE 131 (3.0 credits)
- ***Intro to Microeconomics***  
L11 Econ 1011 (3.0 credits, Arch: NSM or SSC)
- ***Introduction to Psychology***  
L33 Psych 100B (3.0 credits, Arch: SSC)
- ***Introduction to Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies***  
L77 WGSS 100B (3.0 credits, Arch: HUM)
- Any of the many of ***First-Year Programs (L61)***, which are topical seminars designed for first-year students.

## COURSE LISTINGS

[Course Listings](#) are available in the “Courses & Registration” dropdown menu on WebSTAC. You can search for courses using the **Listing** tab or the **Search** tab. The Listing tab is good for broader searches within schools and departments. The Search tab is good for conducting more detailed searches, say, if you want to find courses based on distribution requirements or those that are offered on particular days and times.

Understanding all the details of a course listing can be confusing at first. In the [Registration section](#) of the Advising site on *Inside Sam Fox* (our school’s intranet; details below) you will find a diagram explaining how to read and interpret a course listing.

## REGISTRATION WORKSHEET

Your Registration Worksheet (RWS) is a planning tool that helps you select courses and organize your schedule. It is available through [WebSTAC](#), which is only accessible with your WUSTLKey. Once in WebSTAC, you will find your Registration Worksheet under the “Courses & Registration” dropdown menu.

**If you have not set up your WUSTLKey, please look for an email from the Office of the University Registrar that contains instructions on how to do so.**

There is a **RWS1** where you can add your first choices and a **RWS2** where you can add second choices and alternate sections of a course in the event your first choice for a class is full. You

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may also add notes or comments in the “My Note” column of your RWS.

**Once you have filled out your RWS, please email your Four-Year Advisor so you can be registered for classes.**

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

We have a robust intranet called [Inside Sam Fox](#) that is a great resource for students in areas such as study abroad, technology, advising, peer mentoring, and community engagement.

Under the section **Students > Advising**, you will find detailed information about academic advising including degree requirements, sample curriculums, academic policies, student support resources, and course registration. **Please bookmark this site!**

### ***How many classes should I take in the fall?***

For your first semester we suggest enrolling in **13-16 credits**. You will not be registered for more than 16 credits for the fall and you must be enrolled in a minimum of 12 credits/semester to remain full-time.

### ***How does AP credit impact my course selection?***

If you have taken Advanced Placement exams or completed an International Baccalaureate Diploma, you may place out of some introductory courses and receive credit. Please review the [Advanced Placement Credit Procedures](#) or the [International Baccalaureate Procedures](#) for details. **We must have test results/scores before credit will be awarded.** Official scores from the College Board arrive in August. Any changes to your course selections will be made at that time.

### ***What are the courses already on my schedule?***

There are two non-curricular courses that have been automatically added to the schedules of all incoming first-year and transfer students. These courses are zero unit courses and will appear on your Unofficial Transcript with a final grade of “NG” (No Grade).

- ***New Student Orientation: Understanding Academic Integrity Policy (I50 OAIP 01) is required and must be completed by the beginning of the first day of fall classes.*** It will be available June 1.

- The *Math Placement Exam* (L24 OPL 01) must be taken if you do not have AP scores for Calculus.

***Should I take any placement exams?***

If you plan to take Chemistry, Computer Science, or a foreign language, you must take a [placement exam](#) first. Information about Dance, Music auditions, and the Writing Placement Exam is also available at the link above.

***What's the difference between the BS and the BA?***

***How do I know which one to choose?***

All students in College of Architecture begin on the BS track and may subsequently change to the BA after consultation with their Four-Year Advisor. The first three years of the BS and the BA are the same. Most College of Architecture students will graduate with a BS.

***What supplies do I need?***

You will receive an email later this summer about a supply kit.

***What kind of computer should I have at school?***

Please refer to the computer recommendations accompanying this document. They are also available under Students > Advising > Registration on [Inside Sam Fox](#).

***Where will I do my work for my studio courses?***

You will have a dedicated space in Givens Hall where you can work and keep your supplies.

***Is this how I will register for classes every semester?***

Your first semester is the only time your Four-Year Advisor will register you for courses. Each subsequent semester you will meet with your advisor in preparation for course registration, but you will register for courses on your own.

**You're all set!** Be sure to contact your Four-Year Advisor with any questions!