### REQUIRED COURSES

**Required Courses (30 hours):**

All MS Architecture degree students must pass the following courses with a grade of B or better in each course:

- ARCH 5980 Research for Master’s Thesis (12 hours)
- ARCH 5543 Research and Critical Writing (3 hours)
- RCPL 5113 Research Methods (3 hours)

The remaining electives will be selected by the student under the guidance of his or her advisory committee. Graduate Certificate Programs will be coordinated with this MS Architecture program in the following research areas:

1. Architectural History, Theory and Criticism
2. Creating and Making
3. Design Representation and Modeling
4. Middle Eastern Architecture and Culture
5. Social Equity and Design
6. Sustainable Design and Building Technologies
7. Real Estate and Urbanism

### General Requirements

**Minimum Total Hours (Thesis)**: 30

The master’s degree requires the equivalent of at least two semesters of satisfactory graduate work and additional work as may be prescribed for the degree.

All coursework applied to the master’s degree must carry graduate credit.

Master’s degree programs which require a thesis consist of at least 30 credit hours. All non-thesis master’s degree programs require at least 32 credit hours.

Credit transferred from other institutions must meet specific criteria and is subject to certain limitations.

Courses completed through correspondence study may not be applied to the master’s degree.

To qualify for a graduate degree, students must achieve an overall grade point average of 3.0 or higher in the degree program coursework and in all resident graduate coursework attempted. A student must also have at least a 3.0 in all coursework (including undergraduate coursework if any).

The Master of Science in Architecture degree track is designed to be completed over the span of three semesters. In consultation with the Graduate Liaison, the student may elect to complete the degree within two semesters.

A student who has done satisfactory graduate work and has earned a 3.0 grade point average may file for master’s candidacy.