

## Architecture

Robert Gordon University

### Content

#### YEAR 1 - 3

You will develop an understanding of the basic elements and techniques of architectural design, philosophy and technology, as well as areas relating to the practice of architecture as a business. Your design skills and creativity will increase and improve, and you will learn about architectural history and theory, construction processes, materials, structures and other aspects that define human comfort. By the end of Year 3 you will have become much more independent, be able to tackle complex problems or scenarios and be ready for a period of professional practice.

#### YEAR 4

An architecture education in the UK is required by the professional and statutory bodies to include 5 years of full-time learning on a professionally accredited course. In addition, in order to be eligible for the examination that awards RIBA and ARB Part 3, and which is necessary to become a legally registered architect, students are required to undertake 2 years of professional experience in the workplace. As is typical, this does not carry academic credit, however, it is an essential part of the overall learning experience required to enter the profession. It is a salaried employment and can be undertaken anywhere in the world. As is common practice in UK Schools, the first of these two years takes place between Degree and Master's level study. This forms Year 4, and is sometimes referred to as the 'Professional Experience Year' or 'Year Out'. Importantly, the professional experience gained in Year 4 is recorded by the student on a regular basis and monitored by a Professional Studies Advisor within the School. This ensures that you are obtaining the appropriate breadth of experience and offers you guidance and support throughout this time.

#### YEAR 5 and 6

These years offer a very different learning experience to Years 1 – 3. In Years 5 and 6 your learning is characterised by extended research-led projects which address scenarios of considerable scale, scope, and complexity. You will engage with complex issues relating to the design of buildings and our environment, working individually and in groups. There will be many opportunities to pursue specialist routes, define your own interests and make decisions independently and purposefully.

### Start Date

September

### Qualification

Degree

### Study Method

Full time

### Award Title

MArch

## UCAS Code

K100

## Course Length

6 years

## Department

The Scott Sutherland School of Architecture and Built Environment

## Entry Requirements

2025 entry requirements:

Standard entry:

4 Highers at BBBB including English or another English based subject, Maths or a science subject and preferably Art and Design.

Widening access entry:

3 or 4 Highers at BBC/BCCC including English or another English based subject, Maths or a science subject and preferably Art and Design.

Applicants not possessing a Higher or equivalent qualification in Art and Design or Design and Manufacture will be expected to demonstrate evidence of artistic ability and appreciation through a portfolio of artwork.

## SCQF Level

10

## Progression Routes

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## Combination Courses

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