The Landscape Architecture Program at Michigan State University offers both an accredited four-and-a-half-year Bachelor of Landscape Architecture (BLA) Degree and a five-year dual degree program, which combines the accredited BLA with the Master of Environmental Design (MED) degree. The BLA degree program is structured around a dynamic design studio sequence and classroom learning environment. Core BLA classes and design studios are complimented by the natural and social sciences and the arts and humanities. An eight-week Study Abroad experience is integrated into the curriculum sequence in the spring semester of year three for which both BLA and dual degree BLA/MED students are eligible. Blending creativity, design, site engineering and technical skills, and developing well rounded professionals are at the heart of the curriculum. The BLA requires a total of 130 credit hours and is outlined below.

Students Following the BLA Program must complete the following curriculum:
Requirements for Admission to Fall Year 3 Upper Division courses are shown in Italics

**General University Courses**
- WRA 110-195H (4) College Writing
- ISS 2XX (4) Introduction to the Social Sciences
- CEM 141 (4) Chemistry
- CEM 161 (1) Chemistry Lab
- PLB 105 (3) Plant Biology
- PLB 106 (1) Plant Biology Lab
- IDES 240 or CAD equiv. (3) Computer Aided Design
- MTH 116 (5) College Algebra and Trigonometry

**Other University Requirements**
- IAH 201-210 (4) Arts and Humanities I
- IAH 211+ (4) Arts and Humanities II
- EC 201 or 202 (3) Micro or Macro Economics

**Pre - Upper Division Core Courses**
- **Fall Year 1**
  - LA 140 (4) Graphics and 2D Design Studio
  - LA 200 (3) Introduction to Landscape Architecture
  - University Courses (6 – 9 credits)
- **Spring Year 1**
  - LA 141 (4) Graphics and 3D Design Studio
  - PDC 120 (2) Digital Graphics

**Fall Year 2**
- LA 230 (4) Site Construction Materials and Methods
- LA 242 (4) Creating Spaces Studio
- HRT 211 (3) Ornamental Trees
- University Courses (6 – 9 credits)

**Spring Year 2**
- LA 231 (4) Landscape Site Engineering
- LA 243 (4) Place Making Studio
- HRT 311 (4) Planting Design Studio

**Upper Division Course Sequencing for Admitted BLA Degree Majors**

**Fall Year 3**
- LA 332 (4) Advanced Landscape Site Engineering
- LA 344 (5) Connections of Scale Studio

**Spring Year 3 Optional Study Abroad**
- LA 345 (5) Design Development Studio
- LA 390 (3) Field Studies
- LA 421 (4) Drawing as Knowing

**Fall Year 4**
- LA 447 (5) Regional Environmental Design Studio

**Spring Year 4**
- LA 448 (2) Juried Design Studio
- UP 424 (3) GIS Design Tools for Planning

**Fall Year 4 1/2**
- LA 480 (3) Professional Office Practice
- LA 449 (3) Landscape Architecture Studio

**BLA Degree 130 total credits**

*This is only a GUIDE for completing the BLA degree. Students must meet with their Academic Advisor each year to ensure proper course scheduling for timely completion of the degree.*