

Department of Architecture (Cyprus)

Institutional Information (Last update at: 27/05/2016)

School/Department name (Native language)	Τμήμα Αρχιτεκτονικής
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AESOP Member Status	Associate Member
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School Information

Full time academic staff members	9
Part time staff members	12
Staff members engaged in research	21
Staff members engaged in professional activities	12

Degree Programmes and Educational Provision

Undergraduate/first cycle degree(s) offered at School/Department

Bachelor of Science

Number of years normally used to complete this degree(FT)

4

Part time option

No

Delivery mode

On campus

Number of ECTS

240

Teaching languages

Greek

Total students **National students** **EU students** **Non EU students**

Number of students graduated 201430

27

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Specialisation within in this Degree/the curriculum

Architecture

The degree requires an assessed period of work in practice

No

Programme accreditation by a professional body/other institution

Yes

Curriculum/approach description

The undergraduate program of studies leads to the acquisition of the Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) in Architecture academic degree, a prerequisite for admission in the subsequent studies for acquiring the Diploma of Architect-Engineer or the Master of Science (M.Sc.) in Architecture.

The program of studies in Architecture at the University of Cyprus is based on the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS). The ECTS is a student-centred system based on the student workload required to achieve the objectives of a program by attaching credits to its components. According to the program of study in terms of ECTS, for the acquisition of a B.Sc. degree in Architecture the minimum number of ECTS units is 240. Out of these 240 ECTS units, at least 15 ECTS units should be elective courses (not included in the student's specialization), which should be taken from two different faculties of the University of Cyprus, while 10 ECTS units should be taken from the program of Foreign Language.

The first four semesters introduce the subject through design studios of increasing architectural complexity which develop the student's analytical and compositional skills, while the studios in the fifth and sixth semester focus on the urban and the technological respectively. A series of satellite courses in the four basic areas mentioned above begin to accumulate the knowledge needed for the efficient response to the complex demands of any design project. The two design studios in the fourth year allow for choice regarding the specific projects undertaken and together with elective courses offered the student has the opportunity to pursue a deeper investigation into specific areas of interest.

(Post)Graduate/masters or second cycle degree(s) offered at School/department

Diploma of Architecture

Number of years normally used to complete this degree(FT)

1

Diploma of Architecture	No
Part time option	
Delivery mode	On campus
Number of ECTS	60
Teaching languages	Greek
Number of students graduated 2014	Total students 30 National students 27 EU students 3 Non EU students
Specialisation within in this Degree/the curriculum	
The degree requires an assessed period of work in practice	No
Programme accreditation by a professional body/other institution	Yes
This is an Erasmus mundus programme	No
Curriculum/approach description	<p>DIPLOMA OF ARCHITECT-ENGINEER</p> <p>A graduate student is awarded by the Department of Architecture the Diploma of Architect-Engineer degree after successfully completing the required course of study, as described in detail below.</p> <p>The minimum duration of the Diploma of Architect-Engineer program for full-time students is 2 semesters. The maximum duration allowed for completion of the graduate Diploma degree is set by the university regulations.</p>
Master of Science	
Number of years normally used to complete this degree(FT)	2
Part time option	No
Delivery mode	On campus
Number of ECTS	120
Teaching languages	Greek
Number of students graduated 2014	Total students 6 National students 4 EU students 2 Non EU students
Specialisation within in this Degree/the curriculum	Energy Technologies and Sustainable Design
The degree requires an assessed period of work in practice	No
Programme accreditation by a professional body/other institution	Yes
This is an Erasmus mundus programme	No
Curriculum/approach description	In the Inter-departmental Postgraduate Program the Department of Architecture offers courses which aim at developing critical thinking through the review and assessment of the broader concept of sustainability in the built environment. Furthermore individual courses offer technological

Doctoral/PhD education offered at School/department

Doctor of Philosophy

Number of years normally used to complete this degree(FT)

4

Part time option

No

Delivery mode

On campus

Number of ECTS

240

Teaching languages

Greek

Total studentsNational studentsEU studentsNon EU students

Number of students graduated 20152

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Specialisation within in this Degree/the curriculum

Architecture

Curriculum/approach description

The role and significance of Architecture can hardly be overestimated. The field is inherently related to a wide variety of areas with aesthetic, technological, social, cultural, economic and political issues that define the human environment. The Department of Architecture consequently has an important role to play in producing architectural skills and knowledge through research, in providing high quality education to students and practitioners of architecture alike. It will also enhance the much-needed dialogue among the parties directly or indirectly involved in its production.

The aim of the Department of Architecture is the education of architects who can perform successfully worldwide but who also have the knowledge and sensitivity to respond and influence positively the built environment of Europe. In support of this the Department of Architecture provides high quality degree programmes at both undergraduate and postgraduate levels. These programmes emphasize fundamental principles that prepare architects concerned with the challenges of meeting society's needs in a rapidly changing environment. Students participate in research, planning and design in an academic environment, in cooperation with the faculty, research and professional organisations.

The Department of Architecture admits graduate students each year at the Doctoral level (Ph.D. in Architecture).