

PRE-ARCHITECTURE - ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE

Doña Ana Community College 2026-2027 Catalog (72 credits)

NOTE: Students must receive a final grade of C- or better in all required ARCH courses/Technical Requirements/Electives (except ARCH 1120 Introduction to Architecture and ARCH 1115 Introduction to Architectural Graphics as listed below) and achieve a cumulative grade-point average of at least 2.0. A grade of C- or better is required in ENGL 1110G Composition I and designated Mathematics courses.

Students must complete all University degree requirements, which include: General Education requirements and elective credits to total at least 72 credits. Developmental coursework will not count towards the degree requirements and/or elective credits, but may be needed in order to take the necessary English and Mathematics coursework.

As stated above, a grade of C- or better is required in all courses except ARCH 1120 Introduction to Architecture & ARCH 1115 Introduction to Architectural Graphics which requires a B- or better.

Prefix	Title	Credits
General Education		
Select one course from four of the following six content areas for a total of 12-14 credits ^{1,2}		12-14
This degree requires courses from Areas I, II, III and either a course from Area IV or V; students do not need to take any additional course to complete General Education requirements		
Area I: Communications		
ENGL 1110G	Composition I ³	
Area II: Mathematics		
MATH 1250G	Trigonometry & Pre-Calculus ^{3,4}	
Area III: Laboratory Sciences		
PHYS 1230G	Algebra-Based Physics I	
	& PHYS 1230L and Algebra-Based Physics I Lab ³	
Area IV: Social/Behavioral Sciences		
The following is recommended for this area:		
POLS 1120G	American National Government ^{5,6}	
Area V: Humanities		
The following are recommended for this area:		
HIST 1150G	Western Civilization I ^{3,5}	
HIST 1110G	United States History I ^{3,5,6}	
HIST 1120G	United States History II ^{3,5,6}	
General Education Elective		
COMM 1115G	Introduction to Communication ³	3
Core Requirements		
ENGL 2221G	Writing in the Humanities and Social Science ³	3
MATH 1430G	Applications of Calculus I ³	3
Major Requirements		
Technical Requirements		
ARCH 1120	Introduction to Architecture ⁷	3
ARCH 1115	Introduction to Architectural Graphics	4
ARCH 1121	Computers in Architecture	3
ARCH 2112	Architectural Visualization I	3

ARCH 2120	World Architecture I	3
ARCH 2114	Construction Documents	3
ARCH 2315	Architectural Design I	5
ARCH 2325	Architecture Design II	5
ARCH 2117	Architectural Visualization II	3
ARCH 2125	World Architecture II	3
DRFT 151	Construction Principles and Print Reading	3
Electives		
Select 7 credits from the following: ⁵		7
ARCH 2124	Professional Development and Leadership	
Any other advisor-approved ARCT course		
ARTS 1610	Drawing I ³	
ARTS 1240	Design I ³	
ARTS 1250	Design II ³	
Advisor-approved natural science elective ⁶		
ARCH 1125	Design Fundamentals	0,3
Total Credits		69-72

¹ Each course selected must be from a different area and students cannot take multiple courses in the same area.

² See the General Education (<https://catalogs.nmsu.edu/dona-ana/general-education-and-transfer-options/transfer-new-mexico-institutions/>) section of the catalog for a full list of courses.

³ Courses are identical to those offered at New Mexico State University Las Cruces (main) Campus.

⁴ MATH 1250G Trigonometry & Pre-Calculus is required for the degree but students may need to take any prerequisites needed to enter MATH 1250G first.

⁵ Students only need to select one of the following courses to fulfill the General Education course requirements.

Either POLS 1120G American National Government to meet Area IV: Social/Behavioral Sciences or, Either HIST 1150G Western Civilization I, HIST 1110G United States History I, or HIST 1120G United States History II to meet Area V: Humanities

**Students do not need to take one from each.*

⁶ Recommended electives for students planning on transferring to the B.S. Architecture program at Texas Tech University.

⁷ Requires a grade of B- or better.

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A Suggested Plan of Study

The contents of this roadmap may vary depending on initial student placement in mathematics and English. This is only a suggested plan of study for students, and is not intended as a contract. Individual student academic plans may vary. Please contact your academic advisor to create a plan that works for you. Course availability may vary from fall to spring semester and may be subject to modification or change.

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Semester 1		Credits
FALL		
Area I: Communications - English Composition Level 1		4
ENGL 1110G	Composition I	
Area IV: Social/Behavioral Sciences OR Area V: Humanities		3
Select one course from either Area IV: POLS 1120G, OR Area V: HIST 1110G, HIST 1120G, or HIST 1150G,		
ARCH 1120	Introduction to Architecture	3
ARCH 1115	Introduction to Architectural Graphics	0-4
DRFT 151	Construction Principles and Print Reading	3
Credits		13-17
Semester 2		
SPRING		
Area I: Communications - English Composition Level 2		3
ENGL 2221G	Writing in the Humanities and Social Science	
Area II: Mathematics		3
MATH 1430G	Applications of Calculus I	
ARCH 1121	Computers in Architecture	3
ARCH 1125	Design Fundamentals	0-3
ARCH 2112	Architectural Visualization I	0-3
Credits		9-15
Semester 3		
SUMMER		
General Education Elective - Area I: Communications - Oral Communications		3
COMM 1115G	Introduction to Communication	
Advisor-Approved Elective - ARCH 2124 or any other advisor approved ARCH course, ARTS 1610, ARTS 1240, ARTS 1250, or any other advisor-approved course in this area.		3
Credits		6
Semester 4		
FALL		
Area II: Mathematics		4
MATH 1250G	Trigonometry & Pre-Calculus	
ARCH 2315	Architectural Design I	0-5
ARCH 2120	World Architecture I	0-3
ARCH 2114	Construction Documents	3
ARCH 2117	Architectural Visualization II	0-3
Credits		7-18
Semester 5		
SPRING		
Area III: Laboratory Sciences		4
PHYS 1230G & PHYS 1230L	Algebra-Based Physics I and Algebra-Based Physics I Lab	
ARCH 2325	Architecture Design II	0-5
ARCH 2125	World Architecture II	0-3
Advisor-Approved Elective - ARCH 2124 or any other advisor approved ARCH course, ARTS 1610, ARTS 1240, ARTS 1250, or any other advisor-approved course in this area.		1
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Credits		8-16
Total Credits		43-72