Dear Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in Architecture at Morgan State University!

We offer a professional degree in architecture, the Master of Architecture degree, which is fully accredited by the National Architectural Accreditation Board (NAAB).

Program Options and Placement:

We offer three placement options:

1. The 60 credit track: for students with prior undergraduate study in architecture or a related field.
2. The 90 credit track: for students with no background in architecture, or who need additional preparation for the final two years of graduate study.
3. The “3+2” track: for community college transfer students and Morgan State BSAED sophomores or juniors.

On-line Applications:

The application process is very easy –

You can apply on line for everything except the portfolio through a program called “Embark”. See “GRADS APPLY NOW” in the left column on this page:

http://www.morgan.edu/what_is_the_application_process.html

As you begin your online EMBARK application, you will be asked to enter the program type you are applying to: for the 60/90 credit programs, you simply indicate “Master of Architecture” program. Only select “3+2” if you do not already have an undergraduate college degree, and meet the “3+2” criteria.

The GRE is not required for application to the M. Arch Degree.

Portfolios:

A paper (hard copy) portfolio is required. Electronic portfolios are not accepted. Please refer to the portfolio guidelines as described at the bottom of this document and mail (or hand-deliver) your portfolio directly to:

Jeremy Kargon / Director, Master of Architecture Program
School of Architecture and Planning – CBEIS 104
Morgan State University
1700 East Cold Spring Lane
Baltimore, MD 21251
Application Guidelines for the Master of Architecture Program
(For applicants expecting to start Spring 2016 or Fall 2016)

Transcripts:
Official transcripts must be received directly from ALL prior institutions of higher education, whether or not you received a degree. Transcripts can be mailed directly from your prior institutions to:

Application Transcripts
School of Graduate Studies -- McKeldin Ctr. Suite 310
Morgan State University
1700 East Cold Spring Lane
Baltimore, MD 21251

OR: Transcripts can be delivered electronically, directly from your prior institutions. For electronic delivery, please make sure the correct code is used: 5416G. Please note that there is a different code for undergraduate admissions; you are applying for graduate admissions.

Key Dates For Admittance to start Spring 2016:
October 1, 2015: Application due date for Spring 2016 matriculation with consideration for Financial Aid. (US citizens / Permanent Resident only)

October 1, 2015: Application due date for Spring 2016 for International Students.

November 15, 2015: Application due date for Spring 2016 matriculation, regular admit. Schedule. (US citizens / Permanent Resident)

Key Dates For Admittance to start Fall 2016:
February 1: Application due date for Fall 2016 matriculation with consideration for Financial Aid. (US citizens / Permanent Resident only)

May 1: Application due date for Fall 2016 for International Students.

June 1: Application due date for Fall 2016 matriculation, regular admit. Schedule. (US citizens / Permanent Resident)

Answers to many of your application questions may be found at: http://www.morgan.edu/prospective_grad_students.html

International Applicants:
Please follow the requirements on the Morgan website: http://www.morgan.edu/application_process_for_international_students_.html

Please note requirements for transcript certification and country-specific TOEFL requirements!
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**Graduate Study Financial Aid:**

Financial aid is available in the form of grants, loans and work-study. Financial aid for graduate study management and decisions are made directly by the School of Graduate Study, and most typically are made for the final two years of study. For financial aid, apply on or before February 1.

**Program Placement:**

The placement decision will be made once your application is complete, and your transcripts and portfolio can be reviewed. Generally, students with an undergraduate degree of four years or more of architectural study are accepted into the 60-credit program.

*We welcome students from non-architectural backgrounds, and generally our “non-traditional” students are placed in the 90-credit program.*

We have awarded the Master of Architecture degree to many students from diverse academic and professional backgrounds. Each application is reviewed individually for placement in the most appropriate curriculum.

**Contact us!**

All applicants are invited to visit our program, especially during a design review when you may observe the work of our students and faculty in action. Your application is very welcome, and so please contact us if you have specific questions. We will be happy assist you with your application!

Jeremy Kargon, Architect, LEED AP | Associate Professor

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PORTFOLIO GUIDELINES

Portfolios are required for all applications, regardless of program track. The portfolio should include only work of the applicant; if you include a “team-work” project, be sure to explain your contribution.

I. 60 Credit Program and “3+2” Program Portfolios:

What should I include?

• evidence of design analysis and conceptual thinking
• two-dimensional and three-dimensional design fundamentals
• diagramming of formal (geometric) order, people circulation, basic structural systems
• basic understanding of site context, both natural (topographic) and built (urban)
• consideration of climate and solar response
• examples of architectural design

Examples of hand-graphics, including sketches and diagrams, are especially helpful in the portfolio. Work done as an employee under the supervision of an architect or other employer is discouraged but may be included with a very clear explanation of your contribution, and should highlight design thinking and problem solving, not routine drafting.

Portfolio format:

• on paper only, no digital portfolios or CD’s will be accepted
• 8.5” x 11”, in landscape format
• 10 to 15 sheets (10 sheets minimum – 15 sheets maximum)
  Images can be on both sides of a sheet, or one side only, it is your choice.

II. 90 Credit Program

College graduates without prior study in architecture are welcome and encouraged to apply to the 90 credit program. For these students, without prior architecture study, there is no expectation that the portfolio would include any architectural projects.

The portfolio would include a variety of freehand sketches and examples of creative visual thinking. If you don’t already have materials for a portfolio, you can make freehand sketches of doorways, windows, architectural details, and simple still life studies. Sketches should be at least one half of the portfolio. You can include your own photography, woodworking projects, sculpture, or other examples of creative visual thinking. Portfolio format is the same as above.

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