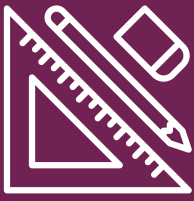


# Landscape Architecture



At URI, landscape architecture means building better communities. It encompasses issues like environmental sustainability, coastal resiliency, and the many other complex problems caused by the effects of people and land coming together, including climate change. Work with real-world clients to learn how to design for sustainable communities, protect coastal areas, establish culturally and environmentally sensitive landscapes, and much more.

## Areas of Opportunity



- Waterfront development
- Institutional facilities and campuses
- Recreational infrastructure
- Turf management
- Interpretive landscapes (e.g., welcome centers, museums, zoological parks)
- Sporting and entertainment spaces
- Stormwater management
- Permaculture design
- Education facilities

## Common Employers



Landscape architecture firms  
Private corporations  
Non-profit organizations  
Land management trusts  
Resource management interests  
Property development and maintenance  
Bureau of Land Management  
Department of Transportation

## Professional Organizations



APA - American Planning Association  
ASLA - American Society of Landscape Architects  
CLARB - Council of Landscape Architectural Registration Boards  
NALP - National Association of Landscape Professionals



## Strategies on Entering the Field

- Requirements for becoming a landscape architect vary by state and typically include a combination of education, experience, and a passing score on the Landscape Architect Registration Examination (LARE) sponsored by the Council of Landscape Architectural Registration Boards.
- Develop technical skills in design (autocad, revit), mapping, and surveying.
- Pursue work and internships with other professionals including civil engineers, city planners, architects, contractors, etc. in roles at places such as: a landscape design firm, landscape contractor, public agency, nonprofit organization, or public garden.
- Demonstrate creativity, critical thinking, craftsmanship, and time and project management skills for success in the field.
- Expect to work evenings and weekends as required to meet deadlines.