

2026 - 2028 SEMESTER CATALOG

TOTAL SEMESTER UNITS REQUIRED: 146-148

1st Year		2nd Year		3rd Year		4th Year		5th Year		
FALL	SPRING	FALL	SPRING	FALL	SPRING	FALL	SPRING	FALL	SPRING	
Landscape Representation I (F, SP) LA 1110 (3)	Studio I - Beginning Design (SP) LA 1120 (3) <i>LA 1112</i>	Studio II - Site Based Design (F, SP) LA 2220 (3) <i>LA 202 or 1120 (C- min) or Instructor Consent</i>	Studio III - Design for Implementation (F, SP) LA 2222 (3) <i>LA 204 or 2220 (C- min) or Instructor Consent</i> <i>LA 2210</i>	Studio IV - Landscape Performance and Design (F, SP) LA 3320 (4) <i>LA 405 or 2222 (C- min) or Instr Consent</i> <i>LA 2214</i>	Studio V - Env Planning & Design (F, SP) LA 3322 (4) <i>LA 405 and 2222 (C- min) or Instr Consent</i> <i>LA 2203 recommended</i> <i>LA 3312</i>	Studio VI - Community and Social Design (F, SP) LA 4420 (4) <i>LA 405 or 2222 (C- min) or Instr Consent</i> <i>LA 3304</i>	Design Studio (F, SP) LA 4422/4 (4) <i>LA 405 or 2222 (C- min) or Instructor Consent</i>	Senior Project Design Studio I (F) LA 4461 (4) <i>LA 402 or 3320 (C- min); LA 403 or 3322 (C- min); LA 404 or 4420 (C- min); and LA 406, 4422, or 4424 (C- min) or Instructor Consent</i>	Senior Project Design Studio II (SP) LA 4462 (4) <i>LA 4461</i>	Professional Topic (3) <i>See official catalog for specific course professional elective requirements</i>
History of Landscape Architecture (GE 3A) (F, SP, SU) LA 1104 (3)	Landscape Representation II (F, SP) LA 1112 (4) <i>LA 170 or LA 1110</i>	Designated Elective (3-4)	Materials and Techniques of Landscape Construction (SP) LA 2210 (4) <i>LA 431 or 1112</i>	Site Engineering Techniques and Applications (F) LA 2214 (4) <i>LA 431 or LA 1112; and MATH 118, 1006, 119, or 1007</i> <i>LA 3320</i>	GIS Applications for Design Projects (F, SP) LA 3312 (3) <i>LA 431 or 1112</i> <i>LA 2203 recommended</i> <i>LA 3322</i>	Contemporary Issues in Cultural Landscapes (F) LA 3304 (3)		4 units	7 units	
Landscape Ecology: Concepts, Issues, and Interrelationships (GE 5B) (F) LA 2203 (3)	Plant Diversity and Ecology OR General Botany (GE 5B/5C) (F, SP) BIO 1114 or BOT 1121 (4)	Introduction to Plant Materials (F) PLSC 2234 (3)	Introduction to Planting Design (SP) LA 2212 (3) <i>PLSC 233 or 2234</i>	Professional Practice of Landscape Architecture (F) LA 3306 (3) <i>LA 431 or LA 1112 and LA 405 or LA 2222</i>	Theory for Landscape Architects (SP) LA 3303 (3) <i>LA 212 or 1104</i>	Sustainability, Resilience, and Climate Ecology in Design (F, SP) LA 4410 (3) <i>Junior Standing</i>	Social Equity and Design (F, SP) LA 4413 (3) <i>Junior Standing</i>			
Place, People, and the Built Environment (GE 4B) (F, SP) EDES 1123 (3)	Designated Elective (3-4)	Upper-division GE (3)	CAED Designated Elective (3)	Landscape Representation III (F, SP) LA 3310 (3) <i>LA 431 or 1112</i>	CAED Designated Elective (3)	Upper-division GE (3)	Landscape Architecture Internship (F, SP) LA 4371 (4) <i>Sophomore Standing</i>			
Designated Elective (3)		USCP Course (3) <i>Take USCP course if UCSP is not satisfied through an Upper-division GE or Desg Elect</i>	Upper-division GE (3)	CAED Designated Elective (3)		GWR Portfolio (F, SP, SU) UNIV 4401 (0) <i>Take if GWR not satisfied through an Upper-division GE.</i>				
15 units	14-15 units	12-16 units	16 units	17 units	16 units	10-14 units	7-11 units			

TRANSFER SELECTION CRITERIA

Required Courses:

English Language Communication and Critical Thinking

- 1A Written Communication
- 1B Critical Thinking
- 1C Oral Communication

Mathematics

- MATH 1007/Precalculus with trigonometry

Desired Courses:

Support Courses

- STAT 1110/Applied Statistical Concepts and Methods OR SS 1120/Introductory Soil Science
- BIO 2217/Wildlife Conservation Biology

Major Related

- BIO 1114/Plant Diversity & Ecology OR BOT 1121/General Botany

This flowchart assumes Cal-GETC certification, whereby all lower-division GEs have been completed before the first semester at Cal Poly.

Admitted students are encouraged to reach out to the LA department to review possible course substitutions for LA 1110: Landscape Representation I, LA 1112: Landscape Representation II, LA 1120: Studio 1 - Beginning Design, or other lower-division courses. Students are required to show a course syllabus with learning outcomes, assignment information, and a portfolio of work comparable with the Cal Poly course

Please Note:

This flowchart is an example and not a template of your individualized plan. Please consult the Catalog and your Degree Progress Report for detailed information about what you need to graduate. The CAED Advising Center and LA department can assist you.

Refer to current Catalog for course requirements and typical term offerings.

Key		Additional Requirements	
Course Title (GE Area)	Major (85)	United States Cultural Pluralism (USCP)	Graduation Writing Requirement (GWR)
Course # (units)	Support (40-42)		
Prerequisite	General Ed. (21)		
Corequisite / Concurrent			