

## The School of Architecture, Design and Planning

The University of Kansas School of Architecture, Design and Planning offers a rich variety of graduate degrees including a Master of Architecture (M.Arch), a Master of Arts in Architecture and Architectural Management, a Ph.D. in Architecture, and a Master of Urban Planning. The M.Arch is an NAAB-accredited professional degree program and is an essential component in preparing for the professional practice of architecture. Students with a bachelor's degree in any discipline may pursue an accredited professional Master of Architecture (M.Arch.) degree, which normally takes three or more years to complete. Students with pre-professional degrees in architecture (e.g., B.S.A.S.) may receive advanced placement and complete the program in two or more years. Approximately 400 students are enrolled in professional architecture degree programs at the University of Kansas.

The School is headquartered in Marvin Hall on Jayhawk Boulevard, the main street running through campus. Studios, classrooms, computer labs and shops are found in Marvin Hall and in Snow Hall and Marvin Studios, both adjacent to Marvin Hall. All studios have digital connections and data projectors. The School's four open-access computer labs are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. A well equipped model-building shop is used by many studios and dedicated metal and wood shops, as well as a building yard provide support for larger and more complicated projects. A CNC Router with its own dedicated CAD/CAM lab is housed next to Marvin Hall. In addition, over 25,000 square feet of new materials labs and fabrication spaces dedicated to our Design-Build emphasis are found on KU's nearby West Campus.



## How to Apply

A complete graduate student application consists of

1. Graduate application, available online at [www.graduate.ku.edu/application-process](http://www.graduate.ku.edu/application-process)
2. One official copy of the transcript where the undergraduate degree was confirmed and one official copy of the transcript where any graduate degree/credit was earned (if applicable). Unofficial transcripts must be uploaded at time of on-line application;

3. Three letters of recommendation from persons qualified to comment on the applicant's intellectual abilities and probable success in graduate study;
4. Application fee (nonrefundable check or money order payable to the University of Kansas);
5. Evidence of language proficiency if the native tongue is not English, including (a) a degree from an English-language college or university or (b) a report of Test of English as a Foreign Language scores;
6. A statement of interest indicating the applicant's career goals and the relationship of these goals to the specific option chosen; and
7. A brochure of design work.
8. GRE scores

## The University

The University of Kansas is a major educational and research institution with 29,000 students and 2,200 faculty members.

The university includes the main campus in Lawrence, the Medical Center in Kansas City, the KU Edwards Campus in Overland Park, a clinical campus of the School of Medicine in Wichita, and educational and research facilities throughout the state. KU has 12 major academic divisions: the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and the Schools of Allied Health, Architecture, Design and Planning, Business, Education, Engineering, Journalism and Mass Communications, Law, Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, and Social Welfare. Visit KU's Web site, [www.ku.edu](http://www.ku.edu).

KU's main campus occupies 1,000 acres on and around Mount Oread in Lawrence, a community of about 82,000 among the forested hills of eastern Kansas. Lawrence offers shopping areas, malls, restaurants, entertainment, and recreational facilities within walking distance of the campus or on bus routes. Near Lawrence, there are four lake resort areas for boating, fishing, and swimming. Metropolitan Kansas City with its international airport, professional sports, ballet, opera, concerts, night spots, galleries, museums, and festivals is about 45 minutes away by interstate highway.

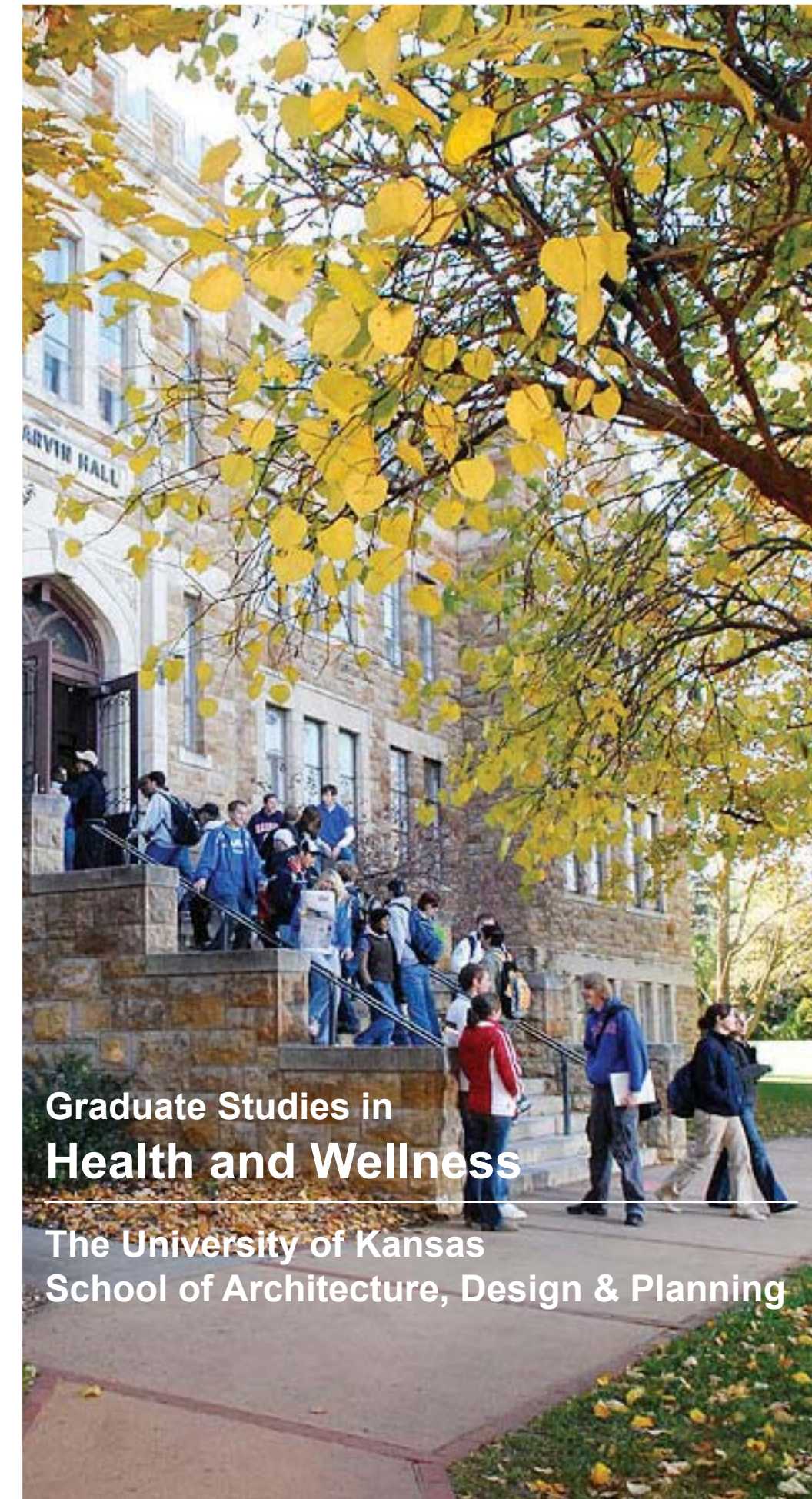
To view the KU Graduate Catalog online, see [www.catalogs.ku.edu/graduate](http://www.catalogs.ku.edu/graduate). Request a copy of the Graduate Catalog, online at [www.rgs.ku.edu](http://www.rgs.ku.edu).

The University of Kansas prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, ancestry, disability, veteran status, sexual orientation, marital status, and parental status.

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**Graduate Studies in  
Health and Wellness**

**The University of Kansas  
School of Architecture, Design & Planning**



*“To make architecture more human means better architecture, and it means a functionalism much larger than the merely technical one. This goal can be accomplished only by architectural methods – by the creation and combination of different technical things in such a way that they will provide for the human being the most harmonious life.”*  
 Alvar Aalto, from “The Technology Review,” November, 1940

### The Programs:

#### Professional Master of Architecture (M.Arch)

Two distinct tracks of graduate study are offered in this program. The first is a **Professional Master of Architecture (M.Arch)** degree that prepares students for entry-level positions in architectural practice, with an emphasis on design for health and wellness. Students who hold a pre-professional baccalaureate degree in architecture (the 4-year component of “4+2” professional program) may apply for advanced placement into the second year of our 3-year accredited Master of Architecture degree. The core of this program consists of four academic semesters and one summer and includes an internship in a professional firm that extends through the middle summer and final fall semester of the program.

##### Fall, Year 1

ARCH 608 Core Studio (6)  
 ARCH 630 Arch Theory (3)  
 ARCH 529 Environ Technology (3)  
 ARCH 658 Arch. Programming (3)  
 HWC 670 Amer. Med. in 21st C. (3)

##### Summer Term (9 credits)

ARCH 691 Prof. Internship (6)  
 ARCH 692 Documentation (3)

##### Fall, Year 2

ARCH 807 Prof. Internship (6)  
 ARCH 731 Health & Well in Arch (3)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ General Elective (3)

##### Spring, Year 1

ARCH 609 Comp. Studio (9)  
 ARCH 701 Research Methods (3)  
 ARCH 730 Health Facilities (3)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ General Elective (3)

##### Spring, Year 2

ARCH 808 Studio (6)  
 ARCH 552 Prof. Practice (3)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ General Electives (9)



Architects have long recognized the importance of good design in promoting human health and wellness. This recognition has taken on added importance recently with research that connects attributes of the physical environment – noise levels, air quality, connections to nature, legibility and clarity of building form – with specific and measurable indices of human well being. Evidence-based design principles have become an essential component in the architectural design process, and this graduate program gives students a foundation in research and design processes that will prepare them for professional careers in healthcare architecture and associated fields that promote human wellness. **Some topics that students might research and design in this program are:**

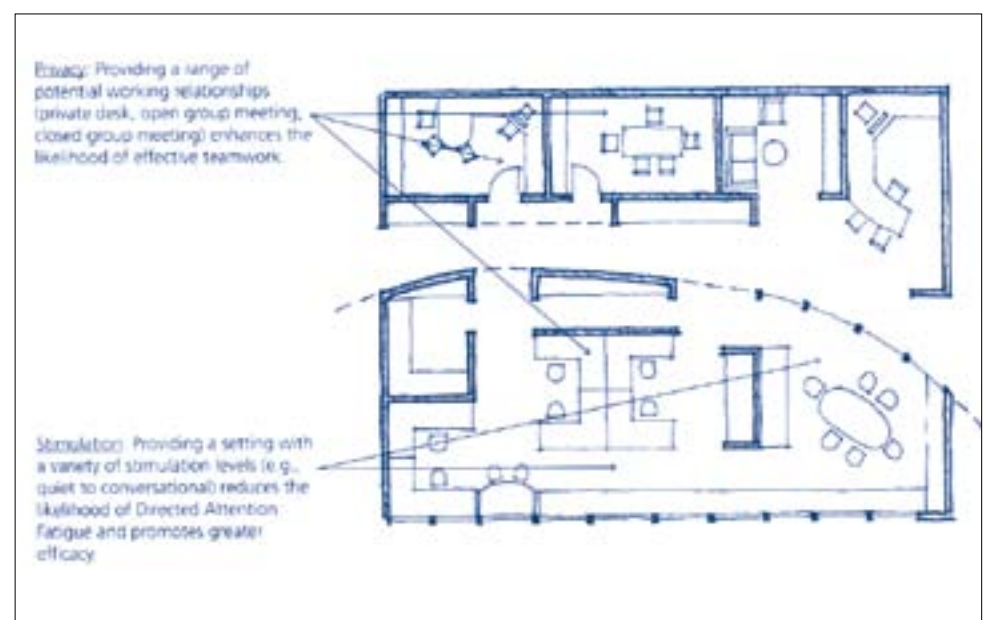
- **Inpatient and ambulatory healthcare facilities**
- **Environments for special populations**
- **Natural or built environments that enhance human wellness**
- **Environments that support alternative healing practices**
- **Neighborhoods that improve the physical, social and cultural health of the community**

The goal of this track is the preparation of students to enter the architectural profession in areas that promote human health and wellness, and the internship courses in the final summer and fall semesters are meant to introduce students to current trends and practices in healthcare design and research.

#### Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)

The second track is the **Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Architecture** that prepares graduates for careers in specialized research and design firms, as leaders in healthcare design practices, and as scholars and teachers in environmental education. Students in this track will conduct research under the supervision of selected faculty members and will focus their programs of study on specific and finite areas that address issues of human health and wellness in the built environment. A student who wishes to pursue graduate study in this track must submit a statement of intent detailing academic interests and career goals. Because admission depends on the student’s objectives and the faculty’s matching research interests, potential applicants should contact the chair before submitting applications. This track is open to students with undergraduate degrees in architecture or allied fields.

The PhD program requires a minimum of 49 credit-hours of doctoral-level coursework beyond the master degree, including the completion of a dissertation supervised and approved by the Graduate School at the University of Kansas. Specific details of admission to this track and degree requirements can be found at <http://www.sadp.ku.edu/sites/default/files/PhDHandbook2011-12.pdf>.



#### Faculty and Instructors

- Richard Branham**, M.S. (Illinois Institute of Technology), Professor of Design, Human Factors and Wayfinding
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- Keith Diaz Moore**, Ph.D. (Wisconsin-Milwaukee), AIA, Associate Professor of Architecture, Environments for Special Populations, Gerontology
- Mahbub Rashid**, Ph.D. (Georgia Institute of Technology), AIA, Associate Professor of Design, Cultural and Social Dimensions of Healthcare Environments
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- Frank Zilm**, D.Arch. (Michigan), FAIA, Chester Dean Lecturer in Health Design, Healthcare Facilities Planning and Programming