

Off-Campus Options Meeting for RCP + RECD Students

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Agenda

1. Advising Process for the Fourth Year

Director of Academic Services Mitzi Farmer and
Academic Advisor Rachel Robillard

2. APD Italian Studies Program

APD Director of International Programs Jessica Canfield

3. Education Abroad

K-State Education Abroad Advisor Amanda Mack

4. Kansas City Design Center (KCDC)

Associate Dean Katie Kingery-Page

5. Internship

LARCP Department Head Huston Gibson

6. Q&A



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Regional and Community Planning Required Off-Campus Semester Options

Our students' design and planning studies are enriched by frequent interaction with the world outside Seaton/Regnier Hall. Many participate in an education abroad experience or complete an internship. Other students choose to study urban issues at the Kansas City Design Center. All Regional and Community Planning students are required to complete one of the following off-campus options, which should occur during the sixth semester:

- **APDesign Italian Studies Program or Education Abroad,**
- **Internship, or**
- **Kansas City Design Center (KCDC).**

Please refer to your curriculum guide and academic advisor as you consider your future off campus academic plans and what is required by your particular discipline. More information can be found on the APDesign website, under 'Student Success' > Education Abroad & Off Campus Experiences: <https://apdesign.k-state.edu/current-students/off-campus-study/index.html>

Advising Process

Regional & Community Planning Students

Required Off-Campus Options

2025

Regional and Community Planning Students					
Semester	APD Italian Studies Program	Education Abroad	KCDC	Internship	Important Notes for RCP Students
SIXTH SEMESTER (3 rd yr. Spring)	X	X	X	X	RCP students are required to complete their sixth semester (3 rd year spring semester) off-campus. If you complete a spring internship, you may choose to continue it or participate in education abroad during the summer. If you select APD Italian Studies, education abroad, or KCDC for the spring, you may elect to complete an internship during the summer.

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Advising Process

Real Estate & Community Development Students

Available Options

2025

Real Estate & Community Development Available Options

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- **Education Abroad,**
- **Internship, and**
- **Kansas City Design Center (KCDC), or**
- **Students may also stay on campus and enroll in additional general electives**

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Real Estate & Community Development Students						
Semester	On-Campus Electives	APD Italian Studies Program	Education Abroad	KCDC	Internship	Important Notes for RECD Students
SIXTH SEMESTER (Spring of 3 rd yr.)	X	X	X	X	X	RECD students have the option to complete their sixth semester (spring of 3 rd yr.) off-campus. If you complete your sixth semester on campus, you may choose to participate in education abroad or internship over the summer.



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Why Education Abroad?

- **Academic challenge**—experience a range of topics, assignment types, and instruction styles as you engage in various coursework
- **Professional growth**—visit notable locations and experience historic and modern design and planning precedents. An education abroad experience can be a desirable credential to future employers
- **Personal enrichment**—develop independence, a greater sense of self, and increased awareness and appreciation for other cultures
- **Global perspective**—broaden awareness and multicultural competency by living in another country
- Have a once in a lifetime experience as a University student

Potential Challenges When Studying Abroad

- **Language of instruction may not be English**, but full proficiency of the local language is not necessary
- **The academic calendar**, including exact semester start and end dates, may not be published very far in advance
- **Minimal interaction with professors** outside of class. University culture may be hierarchical and more formal than at K-State.
- **Homesickness** and **culture shock**

Note: K-State and APDesign have excellent relationships with our partner institutions, but we do not influence their policies or procedures. If you elect to study at a foreign university, you must be prepared to accept and manage potential challenges.

Education Abroad Options



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Anticipated Opportunities for Education Abroad: 2024-2025

All programs, *except* the APDesign Italian Studies Program, are administered by K-State Education Abroad in the Office of International Program

Program availability and enrollment capacity are subject to change

Program	City, Country	Program Type	Min. GPA	Enrollment Capacity	ARCH	IARC	INDD	LA	RCP	RECD
APD Italian Studies Program-Orvieto SPRING	Orvieto, Italy	K-State	2.5*	~55	x	x		x	x	x
APD Italian Studies Program-Orvieto FALL	Orvieto, Italy	K-State	2.5*	~15	x		x			
K-State in Italy-Orvieto SUMMER (studio courses not offered in summer program)	Orvieto, Italy	K-State	2.5	N/A	x	x	x	x	x	x
Other Education Abroad Programs										
BOKU Univ. of Natural Resources and Life Sciences	Vienna, Austria	Exchange	3.0	2				Spring		
Coburg University of Applied Sciences	Coburg, Germany	Exchange	3.0	3		Spring				
Czech Technical University	Prague, Czech Republic	Exchange	3.0	6	Spring	Spring				
Danish Institute for Study Abroad (DIS)	Copenhagen, Denmark	Direct Enroll	3.0	5	Spring	Spring or Summer	Fall or Summer	Spring	Spring	
University of New South Wales	Sydney, Australia	Exchange	3.0	1					Spring	
SAI ELISAVA (Barcelona)	Barcelona, Spain	Direct Enroll	3.0	2			Fall			
University of Sheffield	Sheffield, England	Direct Enroll	3.0	TBD					Spring	
Trier University of Applied Sciences	Trier, Germany	Exchange	3.0	3		Spring				
University of Western Australia	Perth, Australia	Exchange	3.0	3	Spring			Spring		
Alternative Education Abroad	Note: Alternative Education Abroad Programs are available by petition only. This option requires extensive advance preparation and submission of a petition for endorsement by your Department, the APD International Studies Committee (ISC), and K-State Office of International Programs (OIP). Endorsement does NOT guarantee admission by the partner institution.									

*If the program is at capacity, the minimum GPA may be raised.

Notes:

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- ALL Education Abroad programs require an Off-Campus Study Application and students must receive endorsement from the APDesign International Studies Committee.
- **Program Type and tuition:** K-State = tuition paid to K-State, Exchange = tuition paid to K-State, Direct Enroll = tuition paid to that institution

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APDesign Italian Studies Program

Orvieto, Italy

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cYmFC3WQndE>



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APDesign Italian Studies Program

Orvieto, Italy



Spring program option
for RCP + RECD students

- **Min. GPA 2.50***
- **Enrollment Capacity:**
 - Approx. 55 student for Spring for all disciplines
 - Approx. 15 students for Fall for all disciplines
- **Language of instruction is English**
- **Studio and classes taught by K-State and Italian professors**
- **Studio and seminar typically meet two days a week**
- **Projects focus on issues/concerns pertaining to the local community**
- **Field trips are related to studio and history course**
- **Shared apartments in Orvieto with fellow APD students**
- **Need to be motivated and flexible**

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APDesign Italian Studies Program

Orvieto, Italy



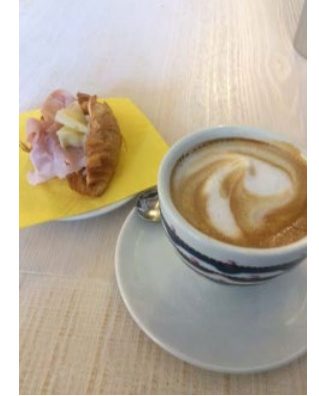
APDesign Italian Studies Program

Orvieto, Italy



APDesign Italian Studies Program

Orvieto, Italy



Other Education Abroad Programs

DIS Danish Institute for Study Abroad (DIS)

Copenhagen, Denmark



Unknown (n.d.). Copenhagen (photograph). Retrieved June 2017 from <http://www.ironman.com/triathlon/events/emea/ironman/copenhagen.aspx#axzz4kq2tnBhi>

**Spring program option
for RCP Students**

- **Min. GPA 3.00**
- **Enrollment Capacity: max. of 5 students for all disciplines**
- **Studio professors are distinguished practicing Danish designers**
- **Studio meets three days a week**
- **Field trips are related to studio and well planned**
- **Offers highly organized orientation**
- **Very good support for international students**
- **Good assistance with housing**
- **Need to be inquisitive, motivated, and hard-working**



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University of Sheffield Sheffield, England



Unknown (n.d.). University of Sheffield (photograph). Retrieved June 2017 from <https://www.sheffield.ac.uk/english>

Spring program option for RCP Students

Note: this program runs early Feb. to mid-June

- **Min. GPA 3.00**
- **Enrollment Capacity: TBD**
- **World Top 100 university – academically competitive**
- **Need to be inquisitive, independent, and hard-working**



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University of New South Wales Sydney, Australia



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Spring program option for RCP Students

Note: this program runs mid-Feb. to early May

- **Min. GPA 3.00**
- **Enrollment Capacity: max. of 1 RCP student**
- **World Top 100 university – academically competitive**
- **Need to be independent, self-reliant, and confident**



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K-State in Italy Orvieto, Italy



<https://ksu.studioabroad.com/index.cfm?FuseAction=Programs.ViewProgramAngular&id=12957>

**Summer program option
for all K-State Students**

Note: this program runs mid-May to mid-July

- **Min. GPA 2.5**
- **Open to all K-State Students**
- **Program is 4-weeks, dates vary**
- **Language of Instruction in **English** by K-State Professors**
- ***Studio courses are NOT offered in this program**
- **Course offerings change each summer**
- **Organized travel opportunities to Rome and Florence**
- **Need to be motivated and flexible**

Alternative Education Abroad Programs

(Available by petition only)

- **Research potential programs**
- **Talk to your K-State Education Abroad Advisor, Amanda Mack, regarding program availability, use of financial aid, scholarships etc.**
- **Discuss your alternative education abroad plans with APDesign International Programs Director, Jessica Canfield**
- **This option requires extensive advance preparation and submission of a petition (including short essay responses) for endorsement by your Department, the APD International Studies Committee (ISC), and K-State Office of International Programs (OIP)**
- **Endorsement does NOT guarantee admission by the partner institution – application to partner institution is a separate process**
- **See ‘Petitioning for an Alternative Education Abroad Program’ on APD website for guidelines <https://apdesign.k-state.edu/student-success/education-abroad/>**



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Education Abroad Scholarships

- **K-State Office of International Program (OIP) Scholarships are available to all students participating in Education Abroad**
- **Available for Spring, Summer and Fall programs**
- **To be considered, complete the university scholarship application:**
 - <https://www.k-state.edu/abroad/current-students/funding/scholarships.html>

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Education Abroad Questions?

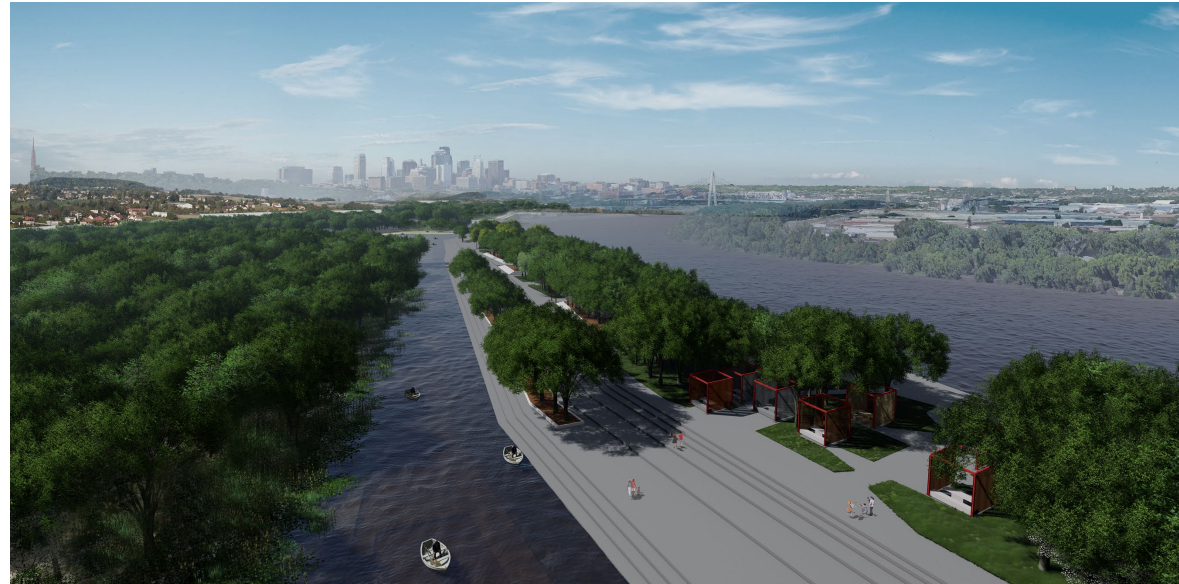
- Meet with your **APD Academic Advisor**
- Meet with K-State Education Abroad Advisor **Amanda Mack** (mackah@ksu.edu)
- Talk to a member of the **International Studies Committee**:
Jessica Canfield, Director & LARCP Rep.
Byungsoo Kim, IAID Rep.
Adriana Molina, ARCH Rep.
Courtney Markle, Project Coordinator, SAS Office



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Kansas City Design Center (KCDC)

Spring program option
for RCP + RECD students



2020 East Bottoms Riverfront river promenade(rendering). From 2019-20 project focused on the East Bottoms. Riverfront. Retrieved from KCDC archives



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Why KCDC?

- Be part of a unique learning laboratory located in the downtown Kansas City that provides students the opportunity to **fully immerse themselves in on-site project studies**
- Actively explore **current urban design issues** facing Kansas City's future development
- Participate in an **interdisciplinary urban design** studio that forms partnerships with local client groups, community members and professional firms
- Develop **design visions and proposals** that address major architectural, urban design and urban planning issues throughout metropolitan Kansas City
- Participate in **critical dialogue** concerning architecture, planning and design issues with public agencies and local community organizations



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KCDC

What we do:

Located in the heart of downtown Kansas City, the Kansas City Design Center (KCDC) is a nationally-recognized, service-learning urban design program that operates as a 501(c)3 nonprofit partnership among local civic leaders, professional designers, and the architecture and planning programs at the University of Kansas and Kansas State University.



KCDC Project renderings (rendering). All renderings from KCDC projects spanning 2018-2021. From top left, clockwise: KCK Industrial Riverfront Vision Study, West Bottoms Reborn Vision Study, East Bottoms Vision Study, Prospect Avenue Vision Study.



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KCDC

Who we are:

Each semester Kansas State University students participate in studio and seminar courses at KCDC to learn from K-State faculty, professionals, and community stakeholders. The projects are inter-disciplinary in focus and a variety of disciplines at APDesign are encouraged to participate.



KCDC student experience (photographs). Images taken from variety of student experiences from 2018-2021. Retrieved from KCDC archives



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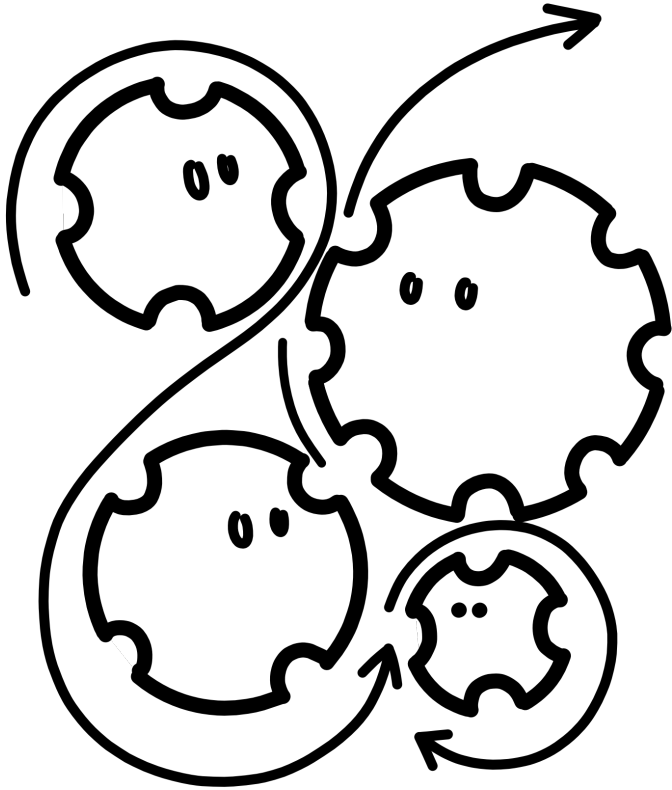
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Internship



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Internship



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All NB RCP and RECD students have the option to complete an internship. This will either be during 6th semester OR, if you study abroad or do KCDC that semester, your internship should occur during the summer.

Internships vary with a wide range of professional options. All must be approved prior to starting in order to receive credit.

Internship Agreement

between Internship Sponsor,
Department, and Student Intern

Purpose: The purpose of the LARCP internship program is to offer its students the opportunity to broaden their educational experiences by actively participating in a professional work environment. The internship is an opportunity to apply the knowledge and skills gained in the university to a professional setting while also identifying the aspects of one's education that warrant further exploration in the final year of study.

Academic Expectations: The Landscape Architecture program at Kansas State University requires students to seek and participate in a professional internship for academic credit. The experience may be:

- 8 to 10-week summer internship
- a semester-long 16-week internship
- an extended spring and summer internship of up to 28 weeks

The Regional & Community Planning program requires students to seek and participate in a semester-long off-campus experience for academic credit. The experience may be an internship or a study abroad experience.

Responsibilities:

Internship Sponsor: Internship Sponsors (employers) will provide full time employment compensated at a fair and appropriate wage. The Sponsor will be diligent in assigning work responsibilities to the Intern that will broaden his/her knowledge base, challenge his/her capabilities and permit him/her to participate fully as a contributing member of a project team. It is expected that the Student Intern will participate in planning, programming, and/or design discussions and decisions, attend presentations, meet clients/stakeholders, and be given every opportunity to contribute to the success of a project in accordance with his/her capabilities. It is of particular interest that the Intern understands the organization of the office, how project decisions are made, management/administration processes, and office research methods.

The Internship Sponsor is responsible for providing the Intern direction and work reviews on a regular basis by an assigned office mentor. Employers will provide oversight by a licensed, certified, or qualified individual in their profession. Upon completion of the internship, the Sponsor will be asked to write a brief summation of the intern's strengths and weaknesses. The information provided will be shared only with faculty and used to direct our educational efforts to improve our instruction.



Department: Credit hours will be assigned to the student for courses related to the internship experience as outlined in the curricula. The Intern has course responsibilities and assignments which will be submitted for faculty review during the internship and upon his/her return to the university. The work will be evaluated by the LARCP office and made available to the faculty. Grades will be given for the work products required of the student intern and will not reflect office performance.

Student Intern: Students are required to secure an internship meeting their academic and professional goals. Students must submit the internship request first to the Department Head and then upload this agreement form with sponsor and student signatures to Canvas site provided by the LARCP office prior to beginning employment.

The Intern is responsible for participating and executing, to the best of his/her abilities, work assigned by the Internship Sponsor. Interns will prepare the following academic products:

- Bi-monthly reports summarizing experience, reviewed by the Internship Supervisor
- Reflection paper at the end of the internship
- Poster presentation as specified by the LARCP office
- Oral and visual presentation as specified by the LARCP office

AGREEMENT

Student Intern, Signed

Date

Student Intern, Typed

Degree Program

Internship Sponsor/Supervisor, Signed

Date

Internship Sponsor/Supervisor, Typed

Huston Gibson, Ph.D.

Date

Professor and Department Head

Landscape Architecture and Regional & Community Planning

Internship Sponsor Information:

Sponsor: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Courses related to internship include:

Before

- **PLAN 444 Career and Academic Planning**

During

- **PLAN 703 Off-Campus Studio**
- **PLAN 655 Professional Internship**

After

- **PLAN 645 Professional Internship Report** ←

RCP

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TOTAL HOURS REQUIRED
FOR GRADUATION
(INCLUDING ENVD PROGRAM)

CURRICULUM GUIDE

Setting a path for your future education

MASTER OF REGIONAL & COMMUNITY PLANNING 2021

(Master's Report Option)

ACCREDITED BY THE PLANNING ACCREDITATION BOARD

ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN STUDIES PROGRAM

FIRST SEMESTER

ENVD	203	Survey of Design Professions	1
MATH	100	College Algebra	3
COMM	105	Public Speaking 1A	2
		Humanities/Design Elective	3
		Social Science/History Elective	3
		Social Science/Sociology Elective	3
			15

SECOND SEMESTER

ENGL	100	Expository Writing I	3
		Humanities/Design Electives	6
		Natural Science Elective with lab	4
		*General Elective	3
			16

REGIONAL & COMMUNITY PLANNING PROGRAM

THIRD SEMESTER

PLAN	315	Introduction to City Planning	3
PLAN	320	Community Development Field Workshop	3
GEOG	302	Cartography	3
		Social Science/Economics Elective	3
		*General Elective	3
			15

FOURTH SEMESTER

PLAN	215	World Cities	3
LAR	322	Ethics and Environmental Dilemmas	3
ENGL	200	Expository Writing II	3
GEOG	508	Geographic Information Systems I	4
		*General Elective	3
			16

FIFTH SEMESTER

PLAN	640	Urban Design & Development	3
PLAN	510	Composition & Representation for Planners	2
PLAN	444	Career and Academic Planning	2
PLAN	010	Field Trip 1	0
		*General Elective	3
		*General Elective	3
			13

SIXTH SEMESTER

PLAN	703	Off-Campus Studies	5
		(internship, study abroad or KCDC)	
		Professional Electives	9
			14

SEVENTH SEMESTER

PLAN	720	Infr. Plan Implementation	3
PLAN	801	Knowledge Methods I	3
PLAN	707	Writing and Thinking the City	3
		Professional Elective	3
			12

EIGHTH SEMESTER***

PLAN	897	Proposal Writing	3
PLAN	836	Plan Making	5
PLAN	812	Planning Theory and Law	3
LAR	500	Site Planning and Design	3
PLAN	020	Field Trip 2	0
			14

(forthcoming) PLAN 645

NINTH SEMESTER

PLAN	730	Planning Professional Practice	3
		Professional Elective	3
		Professional Elective	3
		Professional Elective	3
			12

TENTH SEMESTER

PLAN	705	Master's Project	3
PLAN	898	Master's Report	2
		Professional Elective	3
		Professional Elective	3
			11

(forthcoming) PLAN 645 ←

Courses related to internship include:

Before

- **PLAN 444 Career and Academic Planning**

During

- **PLAN 703 Off-Campus Studio**
- **PLAN 655 Professional Internship** or
- **PLAN 703 Off-Campus Studio** plus 7 credits of general electives

After

- **PLAN 645 Professional Internship Report** ←

FIRST SEMESTER

ENVD	203	Survey of Design Professions	1
MATH	100	College Algebra	3
COMM	105	Public Speaking 1A	2
LAR	101	Introduction to Landscape Architecture	3
		History Elective	3
		Sociology Elective	3
			15

SECOND SEMESTER

ENGL	100	Expository Writing	3
ARCH	301	Appreciation of Architecture	3
		Humanities Elective	3
		Natural Sciences Elective	3
		Natural Sciences Lab	1
		General Elective	3
			16

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GEOG	302	Cartography	3
PLAN	320	Community Development Workshop	3
		Statistics Elective	3
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GEOG	508	Geographic Information Systems I	4
ACCT	231	Accounting for Business Operations	3
			16

FIFTH SEMESTER

PLAN	640	Urban Design	3
PLAN	510	Composition and Representation	2
PLAN	444	Career and Academic Planning	2
PLAN	020	Field Trip	0
FINAN	450	Principles of Finance	3
		General Elective	3
		General Elective	3
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SIXTH SEMESTER

Option 1: Internship			
PLAN	703	Off-Campus Studies	5
PLAN	665	Planning Professional Internship	7
			12
Option 2: KCDC or Education Abroad			
PLAN	703	Off-Campus Studies	5
		General Electives	7
			12
Option 3: On Campus			
		General Electives	12

SEVENTH SEMESTER

PLAN	720	Infrastructure & Plan Implementation	3
PLAN	718	Principles & Strategies of Comm Change	3
		General Elective	3
		Professional Elective	3
		Professional Elective	3
			15

(forthcoming) PLAN 645 ←

EIGHTH SEMESTER

LAR	500	Site Planning and Design	3
FINAN	552	Real Estate	3
		General Elective	3
		Professional Elective	3
		Professional Elective	3
			15

Next Steps

- Review and consider the options presented today
 - You will be notified via email when the slides/documents are updated on the APD website
- Discuss the options and your preferences with your parents/guardians
- In the fall, meet with your academic advisor to determine your plan
- Attend the mid-September meeting on “How to apply for Off-Campus Study”
 - You will receive an email with more information in late August/early September
- **Your Off-Campus Study Application is due Friday, October 13**
 - <https://apdesign.k-state.edu/student-success/education-abroad/>

Questions

- For curriculum and/or academic plan questions, contact your APD Academic Advisor to discuss your options
- For the APD Italian Studies Program, contact the APDesign Director of International Programs Jessica Canfield
- For other Education Abroad programs, contact Education Abroad Advisor Amanda Mack in the Office of International Programs
- For KCDC, contact Associate Dean Katie Kingery-Page
- For Internship options, contact Professor Huston Gibson

