The Master of Landscape Architecture (MLA) is a first professional degree that can be completed along two pathways. Each of these pathways allows students the option to pursue a thesis if desired and if they meet the necessary prerequisites as determined by the faculty.

**Path A:** 3-year Program (BA in various backgrounds - no previous study/degree in landscape architecture)
- Non-Thesis = 88 hrs coursework
- Thesis = 88 hrs (82 hrs graduate coursework + 6 hrs of LAR 500)

**Path B:** 2-year Program (BA/BS in landscape design or related design fields such as architecture, urban design, interior design. Proof of a minimum of one year of studio design experience required)
- Non-Thesis = 61 hrs grad coursework
- Thesis = 61 hrs (55 hrs grad coursework + 6 hrs of 500 thesis)

*Electives:* In addition to the required core courses shown, students must complete the following to satisfy the requirements of the MLA I degree:
- 15 hours of Open Elective credits. Students are encouraged to work with faculty advisors to choose courses that will best complement their specific degree trajectory.