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MINARCH - Introduction

Introduction

MINARCH - Teaching profile

Learning outcomes

The minor is open to all students who are interested in issues relating to the environment, civil engineering, town and country planning, urbanism, architecture and architectural history.

The minor is made up of basic activities which do not require any specific prior qualifications.

The minor amounts to 26 credits. The student completes his/her program by adding electives in order to reach a total of at least 30 credits.

The minor gives students an insight into and a basic introduction to the discipline of the architectural engineer. It includes activities in the three key areas: architectural theory and history, architectural technology, architectural design. Students do not need any specific qualifications for these activities.

The minor is open to all students who are enrolled on baccalaureate programs in the Faculté des sciences appliquées, regardless of their major (in particular, it is a natural formative additional course for students who have opted for the major in 'construction'). In more general terms, it is open to students of all faculties who wish to give concrete expression to their interest in understanding and forming living spaces at their various stages (the edifice, the town, the landscape).

Any student who is interested in this minor must take account of the fact that the nominal distribution of minors at UCL is approximately 15 credits in the second year and 15 credits in the third year. In order for the overall course burden to be balanced, the student who chooses this path has the possibility, if s/he so desires and provided his/her timetable and the entry requirements allow for it, to move a volume of courses equal to 5 credits from the third year to the second year so that each year of his/her program amounts to 60 credits. This restructured program must then be approved by the ad hoc baccalaureate committee.

On successful completion of this programme, each student is able to :

- Acquérir et démontrer une compréhension d'un socle de connaissances des principales dimensions constitutives de l'architecture (conception du projet ; théorie et histoire ; rudiments constructifs) afin d'en saisir les spécificités.
- Démontrer une compréhension du processus de conception du projet d'architecture.
- Découvrir, saisir et faire preuve de la rigueur exigée par l'architecture.
- Faire preuve d'un mode de raisonnement spécifique à l'architecture, à ses enjeux anthropiques et techniques.
- Percevoir les spécificités de l'établissement des lieux humains et reconnaître des moyens d'action supplémentaires à sa discipline de référence par la pratique du projet.

Programme

DETAILED PROGRAMME BY SUBJECT

- Mandatory
- ✘ Optional
- △ Not offered in 2026-2027
- Not offered in 2026-2027 but offered the following year
- ⊕ Offered in 2026-2027 but not the following year
- △ ⊕ Not offered in 2026-2027 or the following year
- Activity with requisites
- 🌐 Open to incoming exchange students
- 🚫 Not open to incoming exchange students
- [FR] Teaching language (FR, EN, ES, NL, DE, ...)

Click on the course title to see detailed informations (objectives, methods, evaluation...)

30 crédits

Year

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Content:

● LICAR1512	Drawing 2 : Observation	Jerome Malevez	FR [q2] [30h] [3 Credits] 🌐	X	
● LICAR1911	Construction Materials	Denis Zastavni	FR [q2] [30h] [3 Credits] 🌐	X	
● LICAR1212	Introduction: Where and when do we dwell?	Nele De Raedt	FR [q2] [30h] [4 Credits] 🌐	X	
● LICAR1611	Design Studio Site or Spatiality : Introduction	Guillaume Vanneste	FR [q1] [90h] [5 Credits] 🌐		X
● LICAR1213	Histories of Architecture	Laila Seewang	FR [q1] [45h] [5 Credits] 🌐		X
● LICAR1612	Design Studio Site or Spatiality : Intersection	Frédéric Andrieux	FR [q2] [90h] [10 Credits] 🌐		X

THE PROGRAMME'S COURSES AND LEARNING OUTCOMES

For each UCLouvain training programme, a [reference framework of learning outcomes](#) specifies the skills expected of every graduate on completion of the programme. Course unit descriptions specify targeted learning outcomes, as well as the unit's contribution to reference framework of learning outcomes.

MINARCH - Information

Bachelors offering this minor

- > Bachelor in Computer Science [en-prog-2026-sinf1ba]
- > Bachelor in Political Sciences: General [en-prog-2026-spol1ba]
- > Bachelor in Sociology and Anthropology [en-prog-2026-soca1ba]
- > Bachelor in Human and Social Sciences [en-prog-2026-huso1ba]
- > Bachelor in Geography : General [en-prog-2026-geog1ba]
- > Bachelor in religious studies [en-prog-2026-reli1ba]
- > Bachelor in Engineering [en-prog-2026-fsa1ba]
- > Bachelor in Economics and Management [en-prog-2026-ecge1ba]

Evaluation

The evaluation methods comply with the [Academic regulations and procedures](#). More detailed explanation of the modalities specific to each learning unit are available on their description sheets under the heading "Learning outcomes evaluation method".

Possible trainings at the end of the programme

- Cette mineure ne donne accès direct à aucun master. Toutefois, elle peut servir de préparation à une réorientation vers la formation ir architecte.
- Compléments formatifs pour un étudiant orienté en " construction génie civil ".
- Préparation au master complémentaire en urbanisme et aménagement du territoire pour des étudiants appartenant à ESPO, AGRO, SC (Géographie), FLTR (histoire de l'art, archéologie).

