Minor in Architectural Studies

Undergraduate students not enrolled in one of the Department of Architecture Degree programs are welcome to take many courses offered by the department, some are open to non-majors on a space available basis only. Summer quarter is a good time to gain access to Architecture courses.

The Department of Architecture offers a 25 credit Minor in Architectural Studies. This includes at least 20 credits of Architecture courses (of which at least 9 credits must be upper-division courses), plus 5 additional credits of upper-division courses taken in the College of Built Environments. Courses numbered 300-level and above are considered upper-division. Any undergraduate student with at least sophomore standing (45 credits completed) who is declared in a major may declare a minor. To declare a minor, meet with your major department adviser. Only the adviser in your major department may sign the form to declare a minor; this is to ensure students meet satisfactory progress requirements. Students are strongly encouraged to meet with the minor adviser to discuss the subject matter of the minor and plans for completion of the minor.

There are no deadlines for declaring minors, except that you cannot declare a minor after the deadline for applying to graduate, which is the third week of the quarter in which you intend to graduate. Minors are optional. You may earn up to three minors as part of each degree completed. Post-baccalaureate students (students who have already earned a bachelor’s degree) may not be awarded a minor.

COURSES FOR NON-MAJORS
The Department of Architecture offers several courses for students who are interested in a general introduction to architecture or architectural history. Many of the specialized courses offered by the Department of Architecture are open to students from outside the department. These include courses in architectural history, media, and design computing. Students interested in specific courses should contact the department for information about access.

LOWER DIVISION COURSE EXAMPLES
8cr ARCH 100: Intro to Architecture [su]
3cr ARCH 150: Appreciation of Architecture I [au,wi,sp]
3cr ARCH 151: Appreciation of Architecture II [au,wi,sp]
5cr ARCH 200: Design Representation I [au]
5cr ARCH 201: Design Representation II [wi]
5cr ARCH 231: Making and Craft [sp]
5cr ARCH 251: World Architecture: Non-Western Cultures [au,sp]

UPPER DIVISION COURSE EXAMPLES
3cr ARCH 350: Architecture of the Ancient World [au]
3cr ARCH 351: Romanesque, Gothic, Renaissance [wi]
3cr ARCH 352: History of Modern Architecture [sp]
3cr ARCH 410: Intro Architectural Photography [au,wi,sp]
3cr ARCH 457: 20th Century Architecture [wi]
3cr ARCH 458: Paris Architecture and Urbanism [sp]

UPPER DIVISION COURSES IN CBE
Please check course listings in the following departments:
• Construction Management
• Landscape Architecture
• Urban Design + Planning

To apply or for more information:
http://arch.be.washington.edu/programs-courses/non-majors-and-minors