



University System of Ohio Board of Regents

John R. Kasich, Governor
Jim Petro, Chancellor

REQUEST AND RECOMMENDATION

University of Cincinnati Doctor of Philosophy in Architecture

Request:

The University of Cincinnati requests approval of a new Ph.D. in Architecture degree program.

Background:

The School of Architecture and Interior Design at the University of Cincinnati has been one of the top educators in the field in the United States and around the world since it was established as part of the McMicken School of Design in 1869. Currently there are two graduate programs in the School of Architecture and Interior Design, one leading to a practice-oriented Master of Architecture degree, and the other leading to a more theory based, post-professional study, Master of Science in Architecture. There are two undergraduate programs: a five-year professional Bachelor of Science in Interior Design, and a four-year professional Bachelor of Science in Architecture.

The objective of the proposed Ph.D. in Architecture is to meet the discipline's evolving demands for a new generation of researchers, educators, and design practitioners. It will do this by providing education in the following high demand areas: preservation, sustainable and energy-conscious building design, and the use of new building design and construction technologies. The proposed program will develop and extend the reputation of the university throughout the community and professional sectors, providing much needed training for the future leaders in architecture and interior design, urban design, and administration. Graduates of the proposed program will be well-positioned to be employed in the private and public sectors of the cities of Ohio, the United States, and around the world.

If approved, the proposed offering will be the first Ph.D. program in Architecture in the state of Ohio.

Curriculum and Enrollment:

The proposed Ph.D. program is 90 semester hour program that is designed to be completed in five years, with two years devoted to coursework and three years devoted to field work, teaching and research, culminating in a dissertation. Course work requirements include a colloquium sequence (4 courses, 1 credit hour each); History, Theory, Criticism in the Study of Practice (4 courses, 3 credit hours each); Research Methods (4 courses, 3 credit hours each); and electives towards major and minor areas (at least 8 courses, 3 credit hours each).


Three students will be admitted in the proposed Ph.D. program, annually.

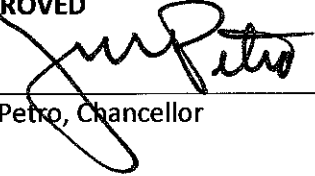
Faculty and Resources:

Adequate faculty, facilities and resources are in place to support the proposed Ph.D. in Architecture degree.

Recommendation:

The proposed Ph.D. in Architecture degree meets the Chancellor's standards for graduate degrees, and the Regents' Advisory Committee on Graduate Study voted unanimously to recommend approval to the Chancellor.

RECOMMENDATION	
The Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs has verified that this institution has met the standards and requirements of the Ohio Board of Regents.	
	3/27/12
Stephanie Davidson, Vice Chancellor, Academic Affairs	Date

APPROVED	
	3-29-12
Jim Petro, Chancellor	Date

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