Master of Landscape Architecture (MLA)

PUBLIC INFORMATION POLICY

The mission of the Landscape Architecture program is:

“to educate and prepare students to have active and creative professions in landscape architecture through inclusive and interdisciplinary design methodologies and community engagement”.

– October 2, 2017.

CORE BELIEFS

The Landscape Architecture program is to engage the unique features of regional landscapes to serve as the educational platform for academic inquiry and research, while also providing students with comprehensive experiences, knowledge of design, ethical standards, and the technical skills necessary for professional licensure.

Links to Helpful Prospective Student Information

Admission Information: https://www.kent.edu/caed/admission-requirements-deadlines

For graduate student information and academic policies:
https://www.kent.edu/graduatecollege/academic-policies-forms

For Kent State University guide to graduate education see:
https://www.kent.edu/graduatecollege/guide-graduate-education

Link to Kent State University Cost of Attendance page:
https://www.kent.edu/graduatecollege/guide-graduate-education

Student Achievement

In Spring 2022, 2 students graduated from the Master’s of Landscape Architecture Program, 2 graduated in 3 years (100% rate within 3 years).

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Retention and Cumulative Graduate Rates
MLA 1- 3 year program

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Student Accomplishments

MLA focus and distinction has been validated through the following list of student successes.

**Nominated Olmstead Scholars**

- 2022: Amanda Mumford
- 2021: James Sasser
- 2020: Maci Nelson
- 2019: Lama Tawk

**Student Awards**

- 2021: Ohio ASLA Student Honor Award in recognition of outstanding academic achievement for his studio project “The Revitalized Valley” Brendan Alcorn MLA
- 2020: Ohio ASLA Student Honor Award in recognition of outstanding academic achievement for his studio project “Maritime Emergence” James Sasser MLA
- 2019: Ohio ASLA Student Merit Award, in recognition of academic achievement for her studio project “Bat Camp” Katherine Kelleher MLA
- 2021: Ohio ASLA Student Honor Award, James Sasser MLA (21)
- 2021: Ohio ASLA Student Merit Award, Nicole Trapp MLA (21)
- 2020: Ohio ASLA Student Honor Award, Maci Nelson MLA (20)
- 2020: Ohio ASLA Student Merit Award, Nicole Trapp MLA (21)
- 2019: Ohio ASLA Student Honor Award, Anna Enderle MLA (19)
- 2019: Ohio ASLA Student Merit Award, Katherine Kelleher MLA (19)

**CAED**

- **2019 Traveling Fellowship**
  Maci Nelson MLA (20) “Xeriscapes” Nevada

- **The Tau Sigma Delta Honor Society**
  2020 Maci Nelson MLA (20) Inductee

- **Landscape Architecture Design Award**
  2022 Saba Tajali (23)
  2021 Nicole Trapp MLA (21)

- **Landscape Architecture Research Award**
  2022 Amanda Mumford (22)

- **Landscape Architecture Master’s project Award**
  2022 Brendan Alcorn (22)
  2021 James Sasser MLA (F21)

- **Deans Scholarships**
  Brendan Alcorn MLA (22)
  Amanda Mumford MLA (22)
  James Sasser MLA (22)

- **Teaching Assistantships**
  Saba Tajali (23) Fall 2021, 2022
  Maryam Barharvandi (23) Fall 2021
Faculty Assistantships
Amanda Mumford (22) Spring 2020
Katherine Kelleher MLA (19) Spring 2019

Research Assistantships
Maryam Barharvandi (23) Spring 2022
Asmita Dahal (23) Fall 2021, Fall 2022
Kalene Miller (24) Fall 2021
Jody Lathwell MLA (23) Fall 2020
Amanda Mumford MLA (22) Fall 2019
Lama Tawk MLA (19) AY 2018/19