## Landscape Architectural Accreditation Board (LAAB) Public Information Policy

Programs accredited by the Landscape Architectural Accreditation Board (LAAB) are required to accurately disclose reliable information and program metrics to the public on their performance, including student achievement as determined by the institution or Program. The Delaware Valley University Landscape Architecture (BSLA) program reports annually on the program's accreditation status, cost of attendance, and basic student metrics on enrollment, retention, and graduation. This information is intended to help potential students make informed application decisions.

#### **Accreditation and Licensure**

Programs leading to first professional degrees at the bachelor's or master's levels in the United States are eligible to apply for accreditation from the Landscape Architecture Accreditation Board (LAAB). LAAB is recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) as the official accrediting body for first professional degree programs in landscape architecture. LAAB is a member of the Association of Specialized and Professional Accreditors (ASPA). The Bachelor of Science in Landscape Architecture program at Delaware Valley University is accredited (provisionally) by LAAB. The most recent accreditation review was in Spring 2023, and the next accreditation review is scheduled for Fall 2025. In accordance with the Higher Education Act, we confirm that our Bachelor of Science in Landscape Architecture program at Delaware Valley University meets the educational requirements for licensure eligibility in all U.S. states. For more information about LAAB, see <a href="https://www.asla.org/accreditationlaab.aspx">https://www.asla.org/accreditationlaab.aspx</a>. To contact LAAB, visit the website of the American Society of Landscape Architects, <a href="mailto:asla.org">asla.org</a>.

With a LAAB-accredited degree, our BSLA program graduates meet the requirements to pursue becoming licensed landscape architects; there are also experience and examination requirements. In the United States, licensure is regulated by individual states. For more information about licensure requirements, see <a href="https://www.asla.org/licensure.aspx">https://www.asla.org/licensure.aspx</a>.

## **Licensure Requirements**

Landscape Architecture licensure requirements vary by state. Visit the <u>ASLA website state</u> <u>licensure page</u> to review licensure requirements by state, or the <u>ASLA fact sheet</u> on this topic.

### **Accreditation Status**

Delaware Valley University's Bachelor of Science in Landscape Architecture (B.S.L.A.) program is a nationally accredited (provisionally) degree by the Landscape Architecture Accreditation Board (LAAB). Our next accreditation visit is scheduled for the fall of 2025.

# **Cost of Attendance**

## A. Tuition and Aid

Please see our <u>Tuition</u> and <u>Financial Aid</u> pages for the most up-to-date information on estimated annual expenses and financial aid options.

## B. Supplies

All incoming B.S.L.A. students are asked to purchase a "Materials Kit" of drawing and drafting tools and supplies that typically cost between \$150 and \$200. Over the course of the four years, students will be expected to replenish some of the materials such as paper, pencils, pens, and

markers. The typical cost to replenish these materials is approximately \$300. In addition, textbooks are typically required for all classes and may range from \$100 to \$300 per semester.

## C. Printing

Students do not pay additional costs for printing. The studio provides small- and large-scale full-color printing capabilities.

## D. Computers

There are 12 computer stations available in the design student. However, students are encouraged to purchase their own laptop computer with the capacity to operate our graphic and CAD software requirements. Estimated costs are variable.

E. Our Experiential Learning (E360) program is a series of graduation requirements for all University Students. In our Landscape Architecture program, students must complete at 2-3 credits of Work Experience/Internships. As such, if the students fulfill this requirement outside of the regular semester tuition, then additional fees per credit must be paid. In addition, students must complete 1-3 additional credits with numerous opportunities to fulfill including work experience/internships, select course offerings, and study abroad. Costs, such as study abroad and outside of the regular semester tuitions are the responsibility of the student. Finally, students are required to perform at least one documented community service project at no additional cost to the student.

#### **Student Retention and Graduation Rates**

|                  | Number of BS.LAND Degrees Awarded  AY = July 1 through June 30, includes Aug, Dec, May Grads |         |         |         |         |         |
|------------------|--|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Year/<br>Program | 2024-25  | 2023-24 | 2022-23 | 2021-22 | 2020-21 | 2019-20 |
| BS.LAND          | na   | 3       | 4       | 6       | 10      | 5       |

| First-time, Full-time Student Retention Rates by Cohort Students that started in the program and returned the second fall in the same program |        |        |        |        |        |        |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Cohort/<br>Program  | FF2024 | FF2023 | FF2022 | FF2021 | FF2020 | FF2019 |
| BS.LAND   | na     | 0.0%   | 57.1%  | 55.6%  | 50.0%  | 80.0%  |

| <b>Graduation Rates by Cohort</b><br>Students that entered in the program and |           |           |          |  |  |
|---|-----------|-----------|----------|--|--|
| graduated in the program  |           |           |          |  |  |
| Rate/<br>Cohort   | Four Year | Five Year | Six Year |  |  |
| FF2020  | 50.0%     | na        | na       |  |  |
| FF2019  | 60.0%     | 60.0%     | na       |  |  |

| FF2018 | 50.0% | 50.0% | 50.0% |
|--------|-------|-------|-------|
| FF2017 | 71.4% | 71.4% | 85.7% |
| FF2016 | 66.7% | 66.7% | 66.7% |

Note: Rates are inclusive as they progress

# Post-Graduation Employment

Within six months of graduation, nearly 100% of our students are employed in landscape architecture or a related field, or have pursued higher education.