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**EFFECTIVE DATE**

The information contained in this addendum supplements or replaces information found in the 2024- 2025 catalog. The following changes reflect current information about NewSchool of Architecture and Design Catalog and Student Handbook effective September 30, 2024, unless otherwise noted.

**WELCOME TO NEWSCHOOL**

**Ownership & Governance**

**Location**

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NewSchool is located in downtown San Diego, California, central to urban activity and the arts community, providing a rich professional context to the study of architecture and related fields. It is located in East Village, San Diego's art district, which has loft spaces where architects and other creative professionals have their offices. NewSchool is easily accessible by public transportation and has convenient freeway access for commuters.

Classes are held in over 41,000 square feet of facilities. The library, classrooms, technology labs, design studios, materials lab, and student center comprise the educational environment available to students. The facilities and equipment fully comply with federal, state, and local ordinances including regulations for fire safety, building safety, and health. Students can access NewSchool online classes at <http://www.mynewschoolarch.edu>.

Classes are held at the following locations: 1249 F Street, San Diego, CA 92101; 705 Park Blvd, San Diego, CA 92101. See NewSchool Main Campus Map.

**Student Housing**

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**STUDENT HOUSING** NewSchool does not assume responsibility for student housing and does not have dormitory facilities under its control. There are several housing options within the downtown San Diego area. Housing rates are approximately the following:

Studio Apartment: ~\$2,162 per month

One Bedroom Apartment: ~\$2,816 per month

Two Bedroom Apartment: ~\$3,970 per month

Three Bedroom Apartment: ~\$4,765

**GRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAM INFORMATION**

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<b>REQUIRED STUDIOS - 18 CREDITS</b>		
AR601	Design Studio	6
AR602	Design Studio	6
AR603	Design Studio	6

<b>REQUIRED LECTURE COURSES - 12 CREDITS</b>		
AR 691	Research	3
	Area of Concentration (Choose One)	9

<b>AREA OF STUDY: SUSTAINABLE DESIGN &amp; TECHNOLOGY - 9 CREDITS</b>		
AR	SD & T Concentration Class 1 - from TIER 2 GROUP A	3
AR	SD & T Concentration Class 2 - from TIER 2 GROUP A or B	3
AR	SD & T Concentration Class 3 - from TIER 2 GROUP B	3

<b>AREA OF STUDY: URBAN DESIGN &amp; DEVELOPMENT - 9 CREDITS</b>		
AR	UD & D Concentration Class 1 - from Group A	3
AR	UD & D Concentration Class 2 - from Group A or B	3
AR	UD & D Concentration Class 3 - from Group B	3

<b>CREDIT BREAKDOWN</b>		
<b>Credits</b>	<b>% of Total</b>	<b>Area</b>
18	40%	Studio Credits
12	27%	Required Lecture Credits
15	33%	Elective Professional Credits
<b>45 Total Credits</b>		

**Master of Science in Architecture Program Outline | 2024-2025**

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<b>REQUIRED STUDIOS - 18 CREDITS</b>		
AR601	Design Studio	6
AR602	Design Studio	6
AR603	Design Studio	6

<b>REQUIRED LECTURE COURSES - 18 CREDITS</b>		
AR 691	Research	3
AR 692	Research	3
AR 693	Thesis Research	3
	Area of Concentration (Choose One)	9

<b>AREA OF STUDY: SUSTAINABLE DESIGN &amp; TECHNOLOGY - 9 CREDITS</b>		
AR	SD & T Concentration Class 1 - from TIER 2 GROUP A	3
AR	SD & T Concentration Class 2 - from TIER 2 GROUP A or B	3
AR	SD & T Concentration Class 3 - from TIER 2 GROUP B	3

<b>AREA OF STUDY: URBAN DESIGN &amp; DEVELOPMENT - 9 CREDITS</b>		
AR	UD & D Concentration Class 1 - from Group A	3
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AR	UD & D Concentration Class 3 - from Group B	3

<b>CREDIT BREAKDOWN</b>		
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<b>45 Total Credits</b>		

### **Concentration in Interior Architecture and Design**

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#### CONCENTRATION IN INTERIOR ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN

The Interior Architecture and Design Concentration in the Architecture Programs at NewSchool is strongly oriented towards the topics of architecture and interior design, particularly the synergies between the two, and equips students with the basic skills to learn to plan from both disciplines' points of view, to ensure that the aesthetic elements of the overall structure seamlessly blend with the interior design, all while addressing unique concerns specific to both crafts.

Moreover, the courses delve into areas such as conversions, extensions, and renovations. By exploring these projects, students develop an understanding of space, proportion, materials, and lighting, which serves as a crucial bridge between the disciplines of architecture and design.

Students also engage in an interior design project laboratory, that covers a choice in a diverse range of topics, such as residential housing, hospitality, and retail spaces, as well as public and commercial environments requiring innovative interior design solutions. The lab encourages students to cultivate a foundation for creative thinking and enables them to engage in innovative and autonomous design ideas, always paying attention to the human psychology and emotional aspects of space. By honing these skills, graduates will be well-prepared to excel in the dynamic and ever-evolving field of interior design.

Equipped with additional extensive knowledge and essential skills in classes such as Materials and Applications and Environmental Lighting Design, they can think and act beyond the boundaries of the two focused disciplines and thus initiate innovation. This enables them to have a broader expertise, particularly getting involved on a more technical level in their interior design process. They learn the basics of working with builders, contractors, and technicians to facilitate an existing structure's rebuilding or renovation, ultimately with the goal of creating a functional and quality interior environment.

Requires the 'Interior Architecture and Design Lab' plus 9 credits in this area four subjects are required from two groups of study, 9 credits from Tier 2 with at least one course from group A and at least one course from group B.

For a course to count toward a concentration, the student must receive a grade of C or better.

Tier 1  
Required

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AR5311 Interior Architecture and Design Lab

Credits: 3

Tier 2

Group A

AR5341 Materials and Applications

Credits: 3

AR6111 Environmental Lighting Design

Credits: 3

Group B

AR5211 Environmental Optimization Systems & Design Strategies

Credits: 3

AR6121 Environmental Psychology

Credits: 3

AR6131 Materials, Technology, and Sustainability

Credits: 3

AR6141 Furniture Design

Credits: 3

AR6151 Codes for ID

Credits: 3