

Architecture Major, Master's degree 2026-2027

ORIENTATION WEEK 35: 24.8.-30.8.2026

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PERIOD 1/ WEEKS 36-41 + EVALUATION WEEK 42 2026-27: 31.8.-11.10.2026

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9:15 - 10:00	ARK-E4512 Housing Design - Research and Practice	ARK-E2020 Building Design Studio Lectures	ARK-E1020 Studio_Autumn CAPSTONE PROJECT	ARK-E3020 Sustainable Design Principles	ARK-E1521 Introduction to Architectural Research (online)
10:15 - 11:00					ARK-E1020 Studio_Autumn HISTORY OF ARCHITECTURE
11:15 - 12:00					
12:15 - 13:00					
13:15 - 14:00	ARK-E3520 Construction Documents	ARK-E1020 Studio_Autumn BUILDING DESIGN	ARK-E1020 Studio_Autumn PRINCIPLES & THEORY	ARK-E1020 Studio_Autumn WOOD ARCHITECTURE	ARK-E1031 History of Architecture Lectures History of Architecture Lectures
14:15 - 15:00					ARK-E4020 Wood Architecture Lecture Course
15:15 - 16:00					ARK-E5520 Thesis Seminar
16:15 - 17:00					
17:15 - 18:00					
18:15 - 19:00					
19:15 - 20:00					

PERIOD 1 - COMPULSORY STUDIES:

ARK-E1521 Introduction to Architectural Research (online)
ARK-E3520 Construction Documents / Rakennusasiakirjat
ARK-E1020 Studio Autumn
ARK-E3020 Sustainable Design Principles
ARK-E5520 Thesis Seminar

* ARK-E1020 Studio Autumn: Computational Design studio on break 2026-2027, no teaching

PERIOD 1 - MAJOR ALTERNATIVE STUDIES:

ARK-E1031 History of Architecture Lectures
ARK-E2020 Building Design Studio Lectures
ARK-E4020 Wood Architecture Lecture course: Wood in Architecture and Construction
ARK-E4512 Housing Design - Research and Practice

* ARK-E5523 Computational Design Studio Lecture Course on break 2026-2027, no teaching

PERIOD 2/ WEEKS 43-48 + EVALUATION WEEK 49 2026-27: 19.10.-29.11.2026

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9:15 - 10:00	ARK-E4513 Housing Design - Research and Practice, extension	ARK-E1020 Studio_Autumn CAPSTONE PROJECT		ARK-E1520 Introduction to Architectural Research	ARK-E2521 Design of Structures Advanced
10:15 - 11:00					ARK-E1020 Studio_Autumn HISTORY OF ARCHITECTURE
11:15 - 12:00					
12:15 - 13:00					
13:15 - 14:00	ARK-E3520 Construction Documents	ARK-E1020 Studio_Autumn BUILDING DESIGN	ARK-E1020 Studio_Autumn PRINCIPLES & THEORY	ARK-E1020 Studio_Autumn WOOD ARCHITECTURE	ARK-E1020 Studio_Autumn URBAN PLANNING
14:15 - 15:00					ARK-E1031 History of Architecture Lectures
15:15 - 16:00					ARK-E4020 Wood Architecture Lecture Course
16:15 - 17:00					ARK-E5520 Thesis Seminar
17:15 - 18:00					
18:15 - 19:00					
19:15 - 20:00					

PERIOD 2 - COMPULSORY STUDIES:

ARK-E1521 Introduction to Architectural Research (online)
ARK-E3520 Construction Documents / Rakennusasiakirjat
ARK-E1020 Studio Autumn
ARK-E5520 Thesis Seminar

PERIOD 2 - MAJOR ALTERNATIVE STUDIES:

ARK-E1031 History of Architecture Lectures
ARK-E2521 Design of Structures Advanced
ARK-E4020 Wood Architecture Lecture course: Wood in Architecture and Construction
ARK-E4513 Housing Design - Research and Practice, extension (mostly independent)

PERIOD 3/ WEEKS 2-7 + EVALUATION WEEK 8 2026-27: 11.1.-21.2.2027

Note: ARK-E1522 Architectural Research Basics, Self-Paced Online in III-IV periods are scheduled self-study support hours

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9:15 - 10:00			ARK-E4514 Housing Politics for Housing Designers	ARK-E5521 Urban Design Lectures	ARK-E1021 Studio_Spring ADVANCED BUILDING DESIGN
10:15 - 11:00				ARK-E1520 Architectural Research Basics Self-Paced Online	ARK-E2021 Interplay of Cultures, Research and Theory
11:15 - 12:00					ARK-E3522 Circular Construction Lectures
12:15 - 13:00					
13:15 - 14:00		ARK-E1021 Studio_Spring DESIGN OF STRUCTURES	ARK-E1021 Studio_Spring HOUSING DESIGN	ARK-E1021 Studio_Spring URBAN DESIGN	ARK-E1021 Studio_Spring SUSTAINABLE CONSTRUCTION
14:15 - 15:00					ARK-E1021 Studio_Spring HUMANITARIAN ARCHITECTURE
15:15 - 16:00					
16:15 - 17:00					
17:15 - 18:00					
18:15 - 19:00					
19:15 - 20:00					

2026-27: EPIPHANY WED 6.1.2027

PERIOD 3 - COMPULSORY STUDIES:

ARK-E1522 Architectural Research Basics, Self-Paced Online
ARK-E1021 Studio Spring

PERIOD 3 - MAJOR ALTERNATIVE STUDIES:

ARK-E2021 Interplay of Cultures, Research and Theory
ARK-E3522 Circular Construction Lectures
ARK-E4514 Housing Politics for Housing Designers
ARK-E5521 Urban Design Studio Lectures
ARK-LS004 Urban Studies

PERIOD 4 / WEEKS 9-15 + EVALUATION WEEK 16 2026-27: 1.3.-18.4.2027

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9:15 - 10:00				ARK-E1520 Architectural Research Basics Self-Paced Online	ARK-E2021 Interplay of Cultures, Research and Theory
10:15 - 11:00					ARK-E3522 Circular Construction Lectures
11:15 - 12:00					
12:15 - 13:00					
13:15 - 14:00	ARK-E3520 Construction Documents	ARK-E1021 Studio_Spring DESIGN OF STRUCTURES	ARK-E1021 Studio_Spring HOUSING DESIGN	ARK-E1021 Studio_Spring URBAN DESIGN	ARK-E1021 Studio_Spring SUSTAINABLE CONSTRUCTION
14:15 - 15:00					ARK-E1021 Studio_Spring HUMANITARIAN ARCHITECTURE
15:15 - 16:00					
16:15 - 17:00					
17:15 - 18:00					
18:15 - 19:00					
19:15 - 20:00					

2026-27: GOOD FRIDAY 26.3.2027 (WEEK 12) + EASTER MONDAY 29.3.2027

no teaching or examinations 25 - 31 March 2027 (Easter holiday)

PERIOD 4 - COMPULSORY STUDIES:

ARK-E1522 Architectural Research Basics, Self-Paced Online
ARK-E3520 Construction Documents
ARK-E1021 Studio Spring

PERIOD 4 - MAJOR ALTERNATIVE STUDIES:

ARK-E2021 Interplay of Cultures, Research and Theory
ARK-E3522 Circular Construction Lectures
ARK-E1016 Principles of Building Conservation

PERIOD 5: WEEKS 17-22 + EVALUATION WEEK 23 2026-27: 26.4.-6.6.2027

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9:15 - 10:00				ARK-E1520 Architectural Research Basics Self-Paced Online	ARK-E2021 Interplay of Cultures, Research and Theory
10:15 - 11:00					ARK-E1021 Studio_Spring ADVANCED BUILDING D
11:15 - 12:00					ARK-E1016 Principles of Building Conservation
12:15 - 13:00					
13:15 - 14:00	ARK-E3520 Construction Documents	ARK-E1021 Studio_Spring DESIGN OF STRUCTURES	ARK-E1021 Studio_Spring HOUSING DESIGN	ARK-E1021 Studio_Spring URBAN DESIGN	ARK-E1021 Studio_Spring SUSTAINABLE CONSTRUCTION
14:15 - 15:00					ARK-E1021 Studio_Spring HUMANITARIAN ARCHITECTURE
15:15 - 16:00					
16:15 - 17:00					
17:15 - 18:00					
18:15 - 19:00					
19:15 - 20:00					

2026-27: MAY DAY SAT 1.5.2027 (WEEK 17) + ASCENSION DAY THU 6.5.2027 (WEEK 18)

PERIOD 5 - COMPULSORY STUDIES:

ARK-E1522 Architectural Research Basics, Self-Paced Online
ARK-E3520 Construction Documents
ARK-E1021 Studio Spring

PERIOD 5 - ALTERNATIVE STUDIES:

ARK-E2021 Interplay of Cultures, Research and Theory
ARK-E1016 Principles of Building Conservation
ARK-E1032 Fieldwork in Architectural History and Restoration

WEEK 42/ EVALUATION WEEK 12.-18.10.2026

MON-FRI

WEEK 49/ EVALUATION WEEK 30.11.-6.12.2026

MON-FRI

INDEPENDENCE DAY

Sun 6.12.2026 (week 49)

WEEK 8/ EVALUATION WEEK 22.-28.2.2027

MON-FRI

WEEK 16/ EVALUATION WEEK 19.-25.4.2027

MON-FRI

WEEK 23/ EVALUATION WEEK 7.-13.6.2027

MON-FRI

PERIOD 1 - ELECTIVE STUDIES OF THE PROGRAMME					
Course code	course name	ECTS	start and ending date	weekday	time
Major alternative studies;					
ARK-E2020	Building Design Studio Lectures	3	8.9-6.10.2026	Tue	13.15-15.00
ARK-E1031	History of Architecture Lectures	6	11.9.-27.11.2026	Fri	13.15-15.00
ARK-E4020	Wood Architecture Lecture course: Wood in Architecture and Construction	6	4.9-11.12.2026	Fri	13.15-15.00
ARK-E4512	Housing Design - Research and Practice	3	31.8.-12.10.2026	Mon	9.15-12.00
Programme Electives for all students in the programme:					
SARK-E5045	Service Design for Interior Architecture	6	4.9.-9.10.2026	Fri	9.15-15.00
MAR-E1044	Maisemarakennushanke (only in 2027-2028)	6	none		

Choose at least 2 courses from the Major alternative studies related to the studio selection so that the alternative studies of the main subject accumulate a total of 12 credits

PERIOD 2 - ELECTIVE STUDIES OF THE PROGRAMME					
Course code	course name	ECTS	start and ending date	weekday	time
Major alternative studies:					
ARK-E1031	History of Architecture Lectures	6	11.9.-27.11.2026	Fri	13.15-15.00
ARK-E2521	Design of Structures, Advanced	3	22.10-3.12.2026	Thu	9.15-12.00
ARK-E4020	Wood Architecture Lecture course: Wood in Architecture and Construction	6	4.9-11.12.2026	Fri	13.15-15.00
ARK-E4513	Housing Design - Research and Practice, extension	3	31.8.-12.10.2026	Mon	9.15-12.00
Programme Electives for all students in the programme:					
ARK-E1023	Parametric Design	3	3.11.-8.12.2026	Tue	9.15-12.00
ARK-E5517	Urban Design Thinking D	3	21.10.-9.12.2026	Wed	9.15-12.00
ARK-LS003	Planning Theory D (if combined with ARK-LS004, can be a 12-credit studio)	6	20.10-1.12.2026	Tue	9.15-12.00
MAR-E1044	Maisemarakennushanke (only in 2027-2028)	6	none		

PERIOD 3 - ELECTIVE STUDIES OF THE PROGRAMME:					
Course code	course name	ECTS	start and ending date	weekday	time
Major alternative studies:					
ARK-E2021	Interplay of Cultures, Research and Theory	6	14.1-11.6.2027	Thu	9.15-12.00
ARK-E3522	Circular Construction Lectures	3	14.1.-22.4.2027	Thu	9.15-12.00
ARK-E4514	Housing Politics for Housing Designers	3	13.1.-17.2.2027	Wed	9.15-11.30
ARK-E5521	Urban Design Studio Lectures	3	13.1.-24.2.2027	Wed	9.15-12.00
ARK-LS004	Urban Studies D (if combined with ARK-LS003, can be a 12-credit studio)	6	19.1.-23.2.2027	Tue	9.15-12.00
Programme Electives for all students in the programme:					
ARK-E1024	Algorithmic Design D	6	19.1.-20.4.2027	Tue	9.15-12.00
ARK-E1022	Sustainability Tools for the Built Environment	6	15.1.-4.6.2027	Fri	13.15-15.00
ARK-E1025	Urban Narratives	6	14.1.-11.6.2027	Fri	9.15-12.00
ARK-E1026	Inclusive Space Design	3	11.1.-22.2.2027	Mon	15.15-17.00
ARK-E1028	Wood Architecture Research Course: Industrial Wood Construction D	6	11.1.-26.2.2027	Mon	13.15-16.00
MAR-E1070	Maisema-arkkitehtuurin kirjallisuus	3	19.1.-20.4.2027	Tue	3 sessions
SARK-E5037	Exhibition Design	6	11.1.-19.2.2027	Thu	9.15-15.00

PERIOD 4 - ELECTIVE STUDIES OF THE PROGRAMME					
Course code	course name	ECTS	start and ending date	weekday	time
Major alternative studies:					
ARK-E2021	Interplay of Cultures, Research and Theory	6	14.1-11.6.2027	Thu	9.15-12.00
ARK-E3522	Circular construction lectures	6	14.1.-22.4.2027	Thu	9.15-12.00
ARK-E1016	Principles of Building Conservation	6	5.3.-4.6.2027	Fri	9.15-12.00
Programme Electives for all students in the programme:					
ARK-E1024	Algorithmic Design D	6	19.1.-20.4.2027	Tue	9.15-12.00
ARK-E1022	Sustainability Tools for the Built Environment	6	15.1.-4.6.2027	Fri	13.15-15.00
ARK-E1025	Urban Narratives	6	14.1.-11.6.2027	Fri	9.15-12.00
MAR-E1070	Maisema-arkkitehtuurin kirjallisuus	3	19.1.-20.4.2027	Tue	3 sessions
ARK-CZ505	Design Computing II: Visualization & Fabrication	3	4.3.-15.4.2027	Thu	13.15-17.00
SARK-E5052	Lighting Design: Products and Space	6	1.3.-21.4.2027	Mon&Wed	9.15-17.00

PERIOD 5 - ELECTIVE STUDIES OF THE PROGRAMME					
Course code	course name	ECTS	start and ending date	weekday	time
Major alternative studies					
ARK-E2021	Interplay of Cultures, Research and Theory	6	14.1-11.6.2027	Thu	9.15-12.00
ARK-E1016	Principles of Building Conservation	6	5.3.-4.6.2027	Fri	9.15-12.00
ARK-E1032	Fieldwork in Architectural History and Restoration	6	30.4.-4.6.2027	Fri	9.15-12.00
Programme Electives for all students in the programme					
ARK-E1022	Sustainability Tools for the Built Environment	6	15.1.-4.6.2027	Fri	13.15-15.00
ARK-E1025	Urban Narratives	6	14.1.-11.6.2027	Fri	9.15-12.00