

Part Two (II) Section 4 – Public Information

II.4.1 Statement on NAAB-Accredited Degrees

The following statement for the School of Architecture program appears in the Montana State University Graduate and Undergraduate Bulletin 2012-2014 at <http://www.montana.edu/wwwcat/programs/envd.html> . This bulletin is also available in printed form to students. This text also occurs on the School of Architecture website at <http://www.arch.montana.edu/pages/programs/programs.php> . For all students who visit the MSU Graduate School website and click on the link for Master of Architecture, it takes them directly to the School of Architecture’s website. This statement is also included in the v16 publication which was designed by students and can be found at http://issuu.com/montanastateuniversity/docs/soa_v16_sm (see page 3 of the v16 publication or this statement). These documents are available to all students and prospective students interested in attending Montana State University-Bozeman.

“In the United States, most state registration boards require a degree from an accredited professional degree program as a prerequisite for licensure. The National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB), which is the sole agency authorized to accredit U.S. professional degree programs in architecture, recognizes three types of degrees: the Bachelor of Architecture, the Master of Architecture, and the Doctor of Architecture. A program may be granted a 6-year, 3-year, or 2-year term of accreditation, depending on the extent of its conformance with established educational standards.

Doctor of Architecture and Master of Architecture degree programs may consist of a pre-professional undergraduate degree and a professional graduate degree that, when earned sequentially, constitute an accredited professional education. However, the pre-professional degree is not, by itself, recognized as an accredited degree.

Montana State University School of Architecture offers the following NAAB-accredited degree program:

Master of Architecture (pre-professional + 42 graduate credits)

Next accreditation visit for this program will take place in 2014”