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Dear Incoming Master of Landscape Architecture Student:

We are delighted to welcome you to the Department of Landscape Architecture.

We are currently making arrangements for the new academic year and ask you to note that all Masters Students are required to register online. Access for registration in the Faculty of Graduate Studies will begin in mid-July 2022.

Please note that the Drawing Workshop as part of LARC 7110 LA Studio 1 and LARC 7310 LD Seminar 1 (Plants+Design) are scheduled to start in-person activities on August 29, 2022. All other classes resume on September 7, 2022.

Today, we are allowed, in principle, to plan and timetable all courses or classes to **be held in person**. Some of them will also include on-site learning components like field trips. During the registration period, detailed information will appear on the syllabus section of the class schedule and provide you with the course essentials, technological requirements, and expectations and needs regarding the format of each course you are registering for. All conditions concerning safety protocols and prevention measures have to be met. It must be understood that these conditions may be subject to modification as UM standards are adjusted through the pandemic situation. The Master of Landscape Architecture (MLA) program and its teachers, researchers, and students must be flexible, adapting to changing needs throughout the academic year. I encourage you to check the University's [Coronavirus website](#) for more information and updates.

Registration will be confirmed through your [Aurora Account](#). Please note, however, that all Master of Landscape Architecture students must contact the Graduate Program Advisor, Tobi Hawkins, before registering.

You should register before September 2022 for your fees to be set. The registration revision period finishes on September 21. The deadline for paying fees (to avoid late fees) will be announced on the [Registrar's Office](#) website. Registering online through the University's Aurora system can be found on the Registrar's Office webpage at <https://umanitoba.ca/registrar/registration>, with course information on the [department](#) website.

Fee information can be found online at umanitoba.ca/student/records/fees/index, or you can contact the Registrar's Office direct on 204 474 9420 or Toll-Free on 1 877 474 9420 or by Fax on 204 269 1065. Graduate students pay a set program tuition fee, but all students pay additional costs, as shown in the [Graduate Studies Fees](#) link above.

If you want information on housing and accommodation, please go to <http://umanitoba.ca/student/housing/>.

The Landscape Architecture Student Manual for 2022-23 will be available on the [department website](#) soon and should be read by all incoming students. The Graduate Calendar is available at crscalprod1.cc.umanitoba.ca/Catalog/ViewCatalog. The Faculty of Architecture is hosting an Orientation and Welcome Reception for all incoming Graduate Students on September 6, 2022. Further information on this will



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be sent out in due course. Access to the workshop, Fablab, CADLab, and an obligatory workshop orientation session for incoming MLA students are currently under review.

Covid-19-related travel restrictions especially pose difficulties to incoming international students. The Faculty of Graduate Studies (FGS) has been working to provide as much information as possible to help you decide how you proceed. National or international decisions may still adversely affect your ability to travel to Winnipeg. The Department of Landscape Architecture will support decisions to defer your admission case-by-case if you choose this option. However, the sequence of courses makes a deferral of only one term impossible. Any deferral would have to start the program in the Fall 2023 term and must be requested in a formal email to the Department Head.

The Landscape Architecture Students Association (LASA) recognizes that as you begin the Master of Landscape Architecture program, you will likely have many questions throughout your first year. As a result, LASA has launched a Buddy Program, and you will be partnered with an MLA student from the program's later years. Your buddy will make themselves available to you for any questions, tips and advice whenever you should need it.

If you have questions or wish to contact Tobi Hawkins, the Graduate Student Advisor, please email her at Tobi.Hawkins@umanitoba.ca. I will focus on research and creative work most of the summer and look forward to meeting you at the beginning of the fall term.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Anna Thurmayr".

Anna Thurmayr
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