

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. Who should opt for architecture studies?

Any student who wishes to seek knowledge and has passion to grow in life is suitable to join architecture study. It is necessary to develop good speaking and drawing skills. If you have already taken part in drawing competition and won prize it will be an advantage. If not confident, one can start developing sketching and drawing skills.

2. How do I prepare in advance to get into architecture?

Join a class to improve graphic skills. Study preparation books for NATA – a test to qualify for admission to architecture. Aim to get good score for your physics, chemistry and mathematics subjects. Prepare well and attempt NATA test. If you have a flair for extracurricular activities like debate, dramatics, photography, singing and dancing all these will contribute to make you a better candidate to pursue architecture program of study. However, remember sketching, drawing ability are very important.

3. What are the skills needed to perform well in architecture course?

First and foremost skill is your drawing ability. One needs to be very expressive in putting your ideas on paper in a pictorial way. You should develop liking for sketching, drawing landscape views, portraits of people, using water colours and drawing pencils of different grades. If you have passed drawing examination conducted by your State or taken part in a drawing competition, it would be an advantage.

4. Why one should choose architecture as a career?

Architecture is a unique discipline of knowledge which keeps both the halves of your brain sharp. It trains you in creative as well as analytical abilities.

5. What are the career options open after doing B. Arch. Degree?

Careers in architecture are varied and diverse. One can do job in an architecture firm, in an organization where there is a cell, department or division for architecture; with experience one can start own consultancy practice; training in architecture allows to foray into diversified fields in construction industry such as: site architect, project manager, interior designer, landscape designer, furniture designer, valuation expert, CAD specialist, digital perspective and walkthrough maker, etc. S/he can also enter into unconnected fields such as product design, film industry, set design, military, building photography, etc. Also, architects can immensely contribute to planned real estate development by designing user-friendly and eye-catching projects.

6. If I want to pursue further education after completing B. Arch. What specializations are available for me?

There are diversified specializations available for an architect to pursue further education. Some of them are: Construction Management, Landscape Design, Interior Architecture, Sustainable

Design, Environmental Architecture, Urban Design, Town & Country Planning, Green Building, Etc.

7. What are the expected benefits between Status of being in sppu and dyp

We were affiliated with Pune University. Now the degree giving will be by DY Patil University. There will not be any disadvantage in this. In fact there will be flexibility in revising the curriculum and students will get to learn latest in the field of architecture. There will be host of other benefits such as joint studios with other universities and international tie-ups.

8. Which is the Governing body for arch program?

B Arch program at DYPUSOA is approved by the national accreditation body of the Government of India the Council of Architecture, New Delhi that regulates standards of architecture schools in India and also gives registration to architects to practice.

9. Pattern Of syllabus

The curriculum at DYPUSOA is a mix of theory, practice and hands on training. Generally the first three years are of skill development and the last two years are of professional development. Also, the University encourages a number of choice based electives for students to select from according to their interest.

10. Which all civil subjects are included?

Rather than calling it 'civil' subjects, they fall under the category of construction based subjects. They are Building Technology and Materials; Building Structures and Building Services, which cover Water Supply and Sanitation, Electrical, Mechanical, Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning, Building Specifications and Quantity Surveying, etc.

11. Recognition of DYPU degree elsewhere in India and abroad

The B Arch degree offered by the DYPUSOA is well recognized all over India and abroad.

12. After B. Arch. should I go for higher education, and why?

After B. Arch. one needs to register with the Council of Architecture and start practice or job. There is no need to have higher qualification for a normal practice. However, doing post-graduation is beneficial if you wish to grow in practice or job and specialize in niche areas of architecture.

13. Would you advise doing higher education in India or abroad?

Higher education in India is less expensive than doing it abroad. But doing it in your area of interest allows you to specialize, which is now a need. Doing PG opens up your mind further and makes your thinking wider. You become more mature and knowledgeable to take decisions.

14. What are the options available for PG at DYPU

After B Arch a student can pursue M Arch at DYPUSOA. At present, we offer specialization in Environmental Architecture. In future specialization in Building Science, Sustainable Architecture would be available.

15. What is teacher-student ratio

The teacher-student ratio for core subjects like design studio is 1:10 (1 teacher for every 10 students). For other subjects it is 1:20

16. What are the other activities encouraged in the college

Encouraging students to take part in various sports activities is one of the goals of the University. Our students typically take part in outdoor games like cricket, soccer, badminton, etc. Also, the College encourages attending seminars, conferences, expert talks and important exhibitions.

17. Is joining a course with residential facility opted well for architecture study?

Architecture study prepares you for creativity and analytics. To develop such attitude, it is a nice idea to reside on campus. Sometimes you need to hostel residence as you have forgotten an important thing there, or you need to work extra at the School, finish all assignments for the day and go back to hostel and spend time leisurely. So, nearness of residence and work-studios is recommended.

18. If I wish to stay on campus, what are the Hostel facilities available for me?

There are shared hostel facilities available on campus. The type of facility will depend upon the choice of the student. Also, there is a gymnasium, common study room a Wi-Fi facility available. In addition, many private hostel accommodations are available in the vicinity of the campus.

19. What are the transport modes available

The University runs contract buses on various routes from Pune to the campus and back. In addition the campus is connected with Talegaon railway station by mini bus transport from where a number of trains are available to Pune. Students also keep their personal transport for which parking is provided inside campus. Shared taxi, auto or mini buses are available near the campus gate for ferrying you to Talegaon town and railway station.

20. When should we visit the campus to see facilities?

You are welcome on any day of the week to visit the DYPUSOA and meet faculty members, students and the principal. Prior intimation is required to make your visit more meaningful. Normally, we are closed on Sundays and first and third Saturdays.

21. What is the fee structure?

Fee structure gets revised from time to time. The present tuition fee during 2019-20 is Rs 1, 30,000 per academic year. Transport and accommodation, if taken, will be extra.

22. What are special aspects of D Y Patil University for study in Architecture?

DY Patil is a brand under which there are engineering colleges, architecture colleges, medical colleges and other disciplines spread across cities like Kolhapur, Sangli, Pune and Mumbai. The group holds a respectable position in education sector. DYPUSOA is six years old and their first outbound batch is well placed in job market. We have plans to go for international tie-ups with renowned universities and create opportunities for students to spend a semester abroad. Also, international experts will be invited to be on the campus to teach students. All this makes studying at DYPUSOA an unforgettable experience.

23. What are the on-site learning opportunities available for me?

The campus has some new building projects at various stages of construction. So, students are routinely taken there to have on-site experience. In addition, visits to construction sites around Pune and at times in another city also are organized to give holistic knowledge to students.

24. What is the USP of the campus?

The campus is away from the hustle bustle of the city. It has greenery and planned landscape which is soothing and supports concentration. The campus has other disciplines such as hotel management, business management, engineering, agriculture and pharmacy. Students have a chance to mix up that promotes cross-fertilization of ideas. The campus has quality sports facilities including a night-lit cricket stadium. Participation in sports is encouraged.

25. As an architect, what role can I play in society?

The School encourage student to go for short training programs while on vacation that will benefit society in which you live. Also, there is Social Responsibility assignments which a student need to complete and earn credit.