University of Genoa
Faculty of Architecture

Profile Description

The Faculty of Architecture in Genoa has been in existence since 1972. Students may enrol in several programs of study all linked to the tradition of the Faculty, as it is recognised all over Italy. All the curricula focus on design and research activity in various fields that characterise, for several years, the profile of the Faculty of Architecture in Genoa. A great attention is always given to the built, physical and cultural environment, in all its scales: from the buildings to the city, from the design of objects to the communication media, from the territory to the landscape, from the architectural and historic heritage to the design of new architectures.

Structure of the Curriculum

According to the last but not definitive national university reform, after Bologna declaration, two different educational systems coexist in Genoa, as in other Italian schools of architecture: 1) a straight 5-years Master of Science programme in Architecture (without intermediate degree) that leads to a master (named Laurea Magistrale a ciclo unico); 2) two 3-years Bachelor of Science programmes (the correspondent degree title is named "Laurea"): this system is actually articulated in the following study courses: Bachelor of Science in Architecture and Bachelor of Product and Yacht Design. Next, students may choose to continue their studies according to some 2-years Master of Science programme (the correspondent degree title is named "Laurea Magistrale"); 3)的基础上的 University and Research, using an international and blind panel of experts, has stated that the research developed within the University of Genoa, in this field, is the first one in Italy for its quality range. The students will find an ideal cultural, technical and professional environment for their studies and their development in the different fields existing within the Faculty.
Bachelor Programmes

Bachelor of Science in Architecture (3-year programme) - 180 ECTS

The Course forms graduates able to operate in the planning and feasible processes of existing architecture and new construction, providing knowledge and expertise in the relief and diagnostic fields, materials technology and manufacturing processes, planning and execution of not complex architecture.

Bachelor of Product and Yacht Design (3-year programme) - 180 ECTS

The course offers a basic training in industrial design, editorial and advertising graphics aimed to connect the devising phase to the production phase, construction of visual objects using techniques and visual communication tools, multimedia and interactive tools; design of internal and external lines of the cruise ships, boats and pleasure craft.

Master Programmes

Master in Architecture (5-year programme) - 300 ECTS

The characteristics of the course meet the 11 points of the CEE Directive 384, which rules studies in this field. In particular, graduates of Master of Science in Architecture must: know the history of architecture, the instruments and forms of representation, the theoretical, scientific, methodological and operational aspects of mathematics, science basic conservation and be able to use this knowledge to interpret and describe the architecture or complex problems that require approaches interdisciplinary, developing project proposals for the new architecture for the existing and historical; know the theory, scientific, methodological and operational areas of their disciplinary course and be able to use them to identify, formulate and solve, even in innovative ways, complex problems of architecture; have good knowledge of at least one European language in addition to the Italian language.

Master in Design of green spaces and landscape (2-year programme) - 120 ECTS

The Course offers to the students a complete curriculum aimed to provide all the tools required for practicing the profession of landscape, which integrate knowledge and expertise in the design and management of the landscape at different scales, the acquisition of ability to collaborate with other professionals of architecture, engineering, natural sciences and agricultural fields.

Master in Product and Event Design (2-year programme) - 120 ECTS

The Course offers a large training requirement on product and event design which starts from the product concept to the practices for the evolution of communication and service systems. The training in product and event design allows to evolve the role of a global consultant industrial designer, allowing to coordinate the whole production process from concept to distribution, dissemination of corporate image, meaning as corporate also the service systems to complete the activities of a sector or territory.

Master in Naval and Yacht Design (2-year programme) - 120 ECTS

The Course uses the skills and knowledge of the faculty involved to the preparation of graduate: scientific and technical of the field (naval architecture, construction and systems, fluid dynamics, etc.) are supplemented by knowledge of representation, communication and history.

Post Graduate Programmes

School of Specialization for Architectural Heritage and Landscape (2-year programme) - 120 ECTS

The School provides professional preparation in architectural preservation, complementing the university studies, and to allow achievement of a wider and more extensive knowledge of methods and techniques for the protection and conservation of architectural and environmental heritage. The subject matter refers to buildings in the historical centre of Genoa or in the wider region, chosen in agreement with local or state Institutions.

PhD Programmes

PhD School in Architecture and Industrial Design (3-year programme) - 180 ECTS

The School is divided into three courses: Architecture, Industrial Design, Design for the nautical field and sustainable product. The three courses have an innovative teaching and research methodology, with integrated cross-disciplinary competencies and are directed to the study of the large field of the "New Habitats".

PhD Course in building and environmental restoration (3-year programme) - 180 ECTS

The aim of the PhD Course is the training of a researcher able to deliver world-class skills, working in the field of recovery, an expert in rehabilitation, reuse and maintenance of the building stock, urban and environmental researcher aware of the inherent complexity of the discipline of the doctorate and therefore able to take up to the knowledge from different fields of application and combining them together.

Master post Bachelor (First Level) and post Master (Second Level)

Master in Yacht Design (1-year programme) - 60 ECTS

Organized by the Design Faculty of the Politecnico di Milano in collaboration with the University of Genoa and POLI.design, the Master has been set up to meet an intense demand for training in the recreational boat sector, which requires professionals with a post-graduate specialization.

Master degree in Sociology, politicy and territorial studies (2-year programme) - 120 ECTS

The objective of the Master is to provide specialized higher education in sustainable development planning.