

Portfolio Requirements for Transfer Students

If you would like to be considered for admission as a transfer student to the Bachelor of Science in Architecture program, you are **REQUIRED** to submit a portfolio of your architectural design coursework and other artistic work.

Architectural design courses at The Catholic University of America School of Architecture and Planning can only be waived based on:

1. Successful architectural design portfolio review, and
2. Successful completion of architectural design courses at your transfer institution (i.e. accredited university and/or a community college).

Your portfolio will be used to review your aptitude for architectural design, not to evaluate your internships in an architectural office. Please, do not submit construction drawings from an office or building science courses. Your portfolio is a collection of your work and a personal statement of your creative ability. It is a self portrait and a declaration of your design skills, how you organize yourself, and what is important to you. This aspect of your portfolio is as important as the whole contents it holds.

The portfolio should include architectural and visual work done in an academic setting. In addition to architectural design work, you may submit other visual creative work, such as images of your drawings, paintings, sculptures, graphic designs, etc. The portfolio should show that you have the motivation and skills to carry out architectural designs that you begin by including a variety of work or projects that you have carried to some level of completion. The portfolio demonstrates your ability to develop your design ideas from conceptual sketches, through drawings and study models, to the final design scheme. The portfolio can be a very diverse collection of various modes of representations, ranging from pencil drawings and physical models to digital drawings and renderings and animation stills.

Format:

- PDF only
- 20 pages (max)
- 20 MB (max)

Please email your portfolio to:

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