

This template is to be used for proposed name changes included on the Academic Plan and for which the unit has received specific written approval from the Office of the University Provost to proceed with internal proposal development and review. A separate proposal must be submitted for each individual name change. The proposal template should be completed and submitted by the Dean's Office to the Office of the University Provost [[mailto: curriculumplanning@asu.edu](mailto:curriculumplanning@asu.edu)]. The name change **may not** be implemented until the Office of the University Provost notifies the academic unit that the name change proposal has completed the approval process.

**College/School/Institute:** Herberger Institute for Design and the Arts

**Department/Division/School:** The Design School

**Proposing Faculty Group (if applicable):** Architecture/MS in Built Environment

**Proposal Contact**

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**Existing Program Information**

**Program Type:** Degree                      **Academic Level:** Graduate

**Degree Type:** Other *If other specify* Master of Science (MS)

**Name:** Built Environment                      **Concentration (if applicable)**

**Proposed Program Name**

**Name:** Architecture                      **Concentration (if applicable)** (     )

**Plan code(s) for the program:**

If this is a degree program that has multiple concentrations, list all program names and plan codes impacted. ARBLTENVMS, ARENERGYMS, ARBDKCMS, ARFACILMS

**Requested effective date:** 2019-20

Select the catalog year for which students can begin applying into this program with the new name.

Note:

1. Name changes can only be implemented so as to be effective for a fall semester.
2. All existing and continuing students will be moved to the new name.
3. Students who complete the degree requirements prior to the fall effective date graduate under the old name.

**Briefly describe the proposed change and rationale for the change:**

The proposed change from MS in the Built Environment to MS in Architecture, will align the degree name with the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture and Architectural Research Centers Consortium's recognition of the MS in Architecture as the official post-professional research-based degree in the industry. The content of the current MS in the Built Environment aligns with the content of the MS in Architecture. The MS in the Built Environment is an obscure degree name that hinders the visibility and recognition of the program and its research as well as that of the students, alumni and faculty.

The renamed program will be distinct from the MArch. The distinction between the MS and the MArch is that the latter is a professional degree and the former is a post-professional degree. This nomenclature aligns with and is recognized by the National Architectural Accreditation Board (NAAB). MS is the typical name for one-year post-professional degrees and will also be more recognizable to candidates. The MArch is an accredited professional degree program at ASU that promotes broad areas of knowledge, professional skill and a social awareness that the architect must command if architecture is to enhance contemporary life and remain an enduring and valid expression of society. The Master of Science in Architecture (MS) is a postgraduate program committed to advanced research on the built environment.

**Discuss the impact of this change on current students and/or enrollment:**

This name change will make the conferred degree more recognizable, and connect it more clearly with the profession which it serves, Architecture. More prospective students will find and recognize the degree as an MS in Architecture, which should have an immediate positive impact on enrollment.

**DEAN APPROVAL(S)**

**This proposal has been approved by all necessary unit and College/School levels of review. I recommend implementation of the proposed name change.**

College/School/Division Dean name:

Signature  Date: 2 / 14 / 2019

College/School/Division Dean name:  
(if more than one college involved)

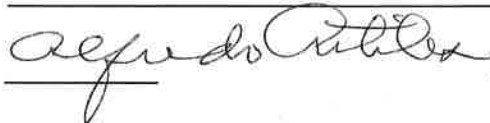
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*Note: An electronic signature, an email from the dean or dean's designee, or a PDF of the signed signature page is acceptable.*

**University Approval(s)**

Graduate College (if applicable)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature:  Date: 2 / 22 / 2019

Office of the University Provost

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date:  / / 20