General information for all applicants (including MATH pre-requisites)

Incoming Freshmen and Transfer Students should be aware that demonstrated proficiency in algebra and trigonometry is required prior to enrolling in PH 1113, General Physics I. Since Physics I and Physics II must be completed in the freshman year, it is highly recommended that students satisfy these Math Requirements prior to starting their Freshman year at MSU.

Prior to Entering as a Freshman in the Architecture Track:

--Complete MA 1313 College Algebra
   --Students with a 24 or higher on the math portion of the ACT may waive MA 1313 College Algebra.
   --Students may take MA 1313 at MSU or a community college the summer before entering the architecture program.
   --A College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) test for MA 1313 is available through the Computer-based Testing Services office on the MSU Campus http://www.ats.msstate.edu/ (or other locations)

--Complete MA 1323 Trigonometry
   --MA 1313 College Algebra is a pre-requisite for MA 1323 (at MSU)
   --Students with a 26 or higher on the math portion of the ACT (and preferably one course of Trigonometry in high school) may waive MA 1323 College Trigonometry.
   --Students may take MA 1323 at MSU or a community college the summer before entering the architecture program.

Students intending to complete Pre-Architecture requirements at other institutions are cautioned to follow the School of Architecture program explicitly. No exceptions or substitutions are allowed. The Admissions Coordinator will be glad to discuss the pros and cons of completing the Pre-Architecture curriculum on campus and will also advise students who, for financial or logistical reasons, must complete the first-year of the architecture program elsewhere.

- Once accepted into the Design Studio, students are required to maintain a minimum 2.0 grade-point average (GPA) at Mississippi State to remain in the design studio.
- At the end of the first-year, a student must have completed all required courses in order to enter the second year.
- At the end of the fourth-year, a student must have completed all required courses in order to advance to the fifth year.
- Any student who receives a grade of “D” or lower for two sequential design studios must repeat both of these courses and receive a grade of “C” or higher in both courses in order to advance in the program or graduate with a B.Arch.

The School of Architecture wants to provide assistance to all prospective students even if they are attending a Community College during their first year; please feel free to ask questions and seek advice to confirm your course selections and pre-requisites.