

MIT Department of Architecture 2025-2026

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Pre-Thesis & Thesis Registration

BSA

- 4.THT, Thesis Research Design Seminar — 12 units, fall
- 4.THU, Undergraduate Thesis — 12 units, spring

MArch

- 4.189, Preparation for MArch Thesis — 9 units, fall/spring
- 4.THG, Graduate Thesis — 24 units, spring

SMArchS

- 4.587, SMArchS Computation Pre-Thesis Prep. — 6 units, spring
- 4.686, SMArchS AKPIA Pre-Thesis Prep. — 3 units, spring
- 4.687, SMArchS HTC Pre-Thesis Prep. — 3 units, spring
- 4.288, Preparation for SMArchS AD/Urb Thesis — 12 units, fall
- 4.588, Preparation for SMArchS Computation Thesis, 6 units, fall
- 4.THG, Graduate Thesis — 36 units, fall/spring

SMACT

- 4.390, Art, Culture, and Technology Studio & Thesis Colloquium — SMACT thesis Preparation — 24 units, each term
- 4.THG, Graduate Thesis — 24 units, spring

SMBT

- 4.488, Preparation for SMBT Thesis — 3 units
- 4.THG, Graduate Thesis — 24 units

PhD

BT

- 4.489, Preparation for Building Technology PhD Thesis — 6 units
- 4.THG, Graduate Thesis — units TBA

Computation

- 4.589, Preparation for Design & Computation PhD Thesis — units TBA
- 4.THG, Graduate Thesis — units TBA

HTC

- 4.684, Preparation for HTC Major Exam — 27 units
- 4.685, Preparation for HTC Minor Exam — 15 units
- 4.689, Preparation for HTC PhD Thesis — units TBA
- 4.THG, Graduate Thesis — 36 units

Non-resident PhD — 4.THG, Graduate Thesis — 36 units

Summer Registration

Students accepting an RA position with their thesis advisor doing research directly related to their thesis should register for 3 units of:

- 4.THG — if an approved thesis proposal has been submitted
- 4.189, 4.288, 4.388, 4.488, 4.489, 4.589 or 4.689 if an approved thesis proposal has not yet been submitted
- 4.299 — if the RA research is not related to your thesis, or the supervisor is outside Architecture