



## THE ICAA CERTIFICATE IN CLASSICAL ARCHITECTURE

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### Introduction to the Program

The ICAA Certificate in Classical Architecture is a non-accredited certification representing that the recipient has a working knowledge of classical architectural design as a practical discipline. The Certificate is useful for students, architects, and designers, as well as individuals of any background who are interested in a structured way to learn about classicism. The Certificate demonstrates an introductory understanding of the classical elements and the syntax and principles that guide their use in classical architectural design.

### Core Curriculum

Participants must complete minimum requirements in the ICAA’s Core Curriculum to earn the Certificate. The Core Curriculum is comprised of subjects and skills that are fundamental to classical architectural design. Subject areas within the core curriculum include: The Classical Elements, Proportion and Geometry, Drawing and Rendering, the Study of Precedents, the Literature of Classical Architecture, the Building Arts, and Composition. A full list of Core Curriculum subjects is listed on page 2.

### Certificate Requirements

A minimum of 100 credits of coursework through one of the four paths listed below is required to earn the Certificate in Classical Architecture. As a general rule, one hour of class time is equal to one credit. Please see pages 2 and 3 for more information.

*Please note that these requirements are subject to change. Contact [education@classicist.org](mailto:education@classicist.org) with any questions.*

PATHS TO CERTIFICATE			
Path A	Path B	Path C	Path D
Intensive in Classical Architecture + Continuing Education Courses in the Core Curriculum	Summer Studio in Classical Architecture	Continuing Education Courses in the Core Curriculum <i>(must follow credit allocations on page 2)</i>	Intensive in Classical Architecture + Workshop in Classical Architecture + Approved Design Studio

### Prerequisites and How to Register

There are no minimum requirements or fees to enroll in the Certificate program. Participants may register [online](#) or by contacting the ICAA’s education department by email at [education@classicist.org](mailto:education@classicist.org) or by phone at 212-730-9646 ext. 112.

### Registration Prior to July 18, 2016

Participants who registered for the Certificate in Classical Architecture prior to July 17, 2016 (when the current requirements were published) are eligible to receive their Certificate in Classical Architecture after completing 100 credit hours of ICAA programs and coursework, regardless of Core Curriculum subject area.



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## Core Curriculum

Below is a list of all Core Curriculum subjects.

*The credit minimums listed next to each subject area are the minimum requirements for each subject in Path C. These minimums do not apply to Paths A, B, or D as those pathways innately cover all minimum requirements.*

1. Elements (Minimum total 25 credits)
  - 1.1. Mouldings (Minimum 5 credits)
  - 1.2. Tuscan (Minimum 5 credits)
  - 1.3. Doric (Minimum 5 credits)
  - 1.4. Ionic (Minimum 5 credits)
  - 1.5. Corinthian
2. Proportion (Minimum total 6 credits)
3. The Literature of Classical Architecture (Minimum total 6 credits)
4. Drawing and Rendering (Minimum total 15 credits)
  - 4.1. Hand Drafting (Minimum 5 credits)
  - 4.2. Wash Rendering (Minimum 5 credits)
  - 4.3. The Study of Light and Shade on Architectural Form through Observational Drawing (Minimum 5 credits)
5. Composition/Application (Minimum total 20 credits)
  - 5.1. The Study of Precedents – Measured Drawing (Minimum 5 credits)
  - 5.2. The Study of Precedents – Analytical Drawing (Minimum 5 credits)
  - 5.3. Classical Design Methodology and Composition – Design Project (Minimum 10 credits)
6. Building craft (Minimum total 3 credits)

## Programs with Special Credit Designations

Continuing Education courses that are eligible for credit towards the Certificate program will indicate on the course webpage how many credits they are worth towards the Certificate, and typically count towards one Core Curriculum subject area. The below programs, however, have special credit designations.

1. Workshop in Classical Architecture: 8 credits.  
This program fulfills the Tuscan (1.2) and Measured Drawing (5.1) requirements for Path C.
2. Intensive in Classical Architecture: 64 credits.  
This program fulfills all Core Curriculum subject area requirements. Please see the Path A summary on page 3 for more information.
3. Christopher H. Browne Drawing Tours: 20 – 50 credits (variable).  
The Christopher H. Browne Drawing Tours may fulfill several Core Curriculum areas depending on the program. Please email [education@classicist.org](mailto:education@classicist.org) to discuss credit allocations for a specific Drawing Tour. Students who have attended multiple Drawing Tours may only apply one towards the Certificate.



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## **Explanation of Paths to Earning Certificate**

### Path A

Path A consists of attending an ICAA Intensive in Classical Architecture program, with supplemental coursework via other ICAA classes (which may include Continuing Education courses, Workshops in Classical Architecture, and up to one Christopher H. Browne Drawing Tour).

The Intensive in Classical Architecture is an eight-day immersion in the ICAA's Core Curriculum. It fulfills all Core Curriculum subject area requirements as well as 64 of the 100 total credit hours required for the Certificate. The Intensive in Classical Architecture is typically held twice per year, once in New York City in January and once in either the fall or spring in collaboration with one of the ICAA's Chapters across the country.

Because the Intensive covers all Core Curriculum subjects, the remaining 36 credit hours may be taken as 'elective' credits, meaning they can be dispersed among any courses that have credit towards the Certificate program regardless of subject.

### Path B

Path B consists of successful completion of the ICAA Summer Studio in Classical Architecture. The Summer Studio is a four-week program held annually in New York City which introduces students pursuing careers in architecture and its allied fields to skills and resources essential to the practice of classical architectural design today. As the Summer Studio covers all Core Curriculum subject areas and sufficient additional coursework, successful completion of the program confers the Certificate.

### Path C

Path C consists of attending Continuing Education courses in the Core Curriculum. Supplemental coursework in other special programs, such as Workshops in Classical Architecture and up to one Christopher H. Browne Drawing Tour, is also permitted. In order to earn the Certificate through Path C, participants in the program must complete credit minimums in all Core Curriculum subject areas as outlined on page 2. These minimums total 75 credit hours, with an additional 25 credit hours to be taken as 'elective' credits. 'Elective' credits can be dispersed among any courses that confer credit towards the Certificate program, regardless of subject.

### Path D

Path D is only available in collaboration with designated and pre-approved college and university programs. In order to obtain the Certificate through Path D, participants must attend an ICAA Workshop in Classical Architecture (typically offered on the approved university's campus) as well as an ICAA Intensive in Classical Architecture. Students may then apply an approved design studio at their university to fulfill their remaining credits hours towards the Certificate.