Overview of Landscape Architecture
Graduate Education in China

School of Landscape Architecture
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History of Landscape Architecture Graduate Education
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<td>1959</td>
<td>Beijing Forestry College began to enroll graduate students in Landscape Engineering and Ornamental Plants, which laid a foundation for the graduate education of Landscape Architecture and ornamental horticulture in the future.</td>
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<td>1963</td>
<td>The academic degrees committee of the State Council was approved the master degree of landscape Design and Landscape plants.</td>
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| 1980-90 | Architecture degrees /Urban planning (including LA design and planning)  
Forestry degrees/LA design and planning, Landscape Plants |
| 1990-97 | Architecture degrees /LA design and planning  
Forestry degrees/LA design and planning, Landscape Plants |
| 1997-10 | Architecture degrees /Urban planning (including LA design and planning)  
Forestry degrees/Landscape Plants |
| 2011 | Landscape Architecture degrees | Independence declaration |
Types of Landscape Architecture Graduate Education

• Professional Master degree of LA, 2-3 years program

• Academic Master degree of LA, 2 years program

• Academic Doctor degree of LA, 3-4 years program
Professional Master degree of LA
The proposal of establishing Professional Master degree of LA was deliberated by the academic degrees committee of the State Council. The proposal was approved by the State Council, marking the official launch of the Professional Master degree of LA.

25 educational institutes were approved to carry out pilot working of enlisting students of the Professional Master degree of LA. 490 students were enrolled.

Till 2014, the Professional Master degree of LA had been offered in 59 institutes. (listed as below)
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Development of Professional Master degree of LA

Till 2017

the Professional Master degree of LA had been offered in 59 universities and institutes.

Types

Forestry and Agricultural universities and institutes.

Architecture and Urban Planning universities and institutes

Fine Art universities and institutes
Academic Master degree of LA
Development of Landscape Architecture Discipline

In 1997, Landscape Architecture was merged with Urban Planning and Design as a Second Level Discipline.

Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development ranked Landscape Architecture, Architecture and Urban-Rural Planning all as national first level discipline.

Landscape architecture is the design of outdoor public areas, landmarks, and structures to achieve environmental, social-behavioral, or aesthetic outcomes. It involves the systematic investigation of existing social, ecological, and soil conditions and processes in the landscape, and the design of interventions that will produce the desired outcome.
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Development of **Academic Master degree of LA**

Number of schools that are accredited to award first level master degree in landscape architecture for Academic Master degree of LA.

Number of schools is as the 1\textsuperscript{st} place compare with Architecture and Urban planning—**Great victory**

65 universities are accredited to award first level master degree in the discipline of landscape architecture for **Academic Master degree of LA**

**in 2011**
Development of **Academic Master degree of LA**

Mater students are supposed to master the knowledge system and professional skills of the major, with solid design and research competence. As well as good command of a foreign language. Graduates could work in governments, institutes, environmental agencies or further their studies.
Academic Doctor degree of LA
Number of schools that are accredited to award first level doctoral degree in landscape architecture discipline.

Number of schools is as the 1st place compare with Architecture and Urban planning—Great Success

in 2011 19 universities are accredited to award first level doctoral degree in the discipline of landscape architecture.
Development of **Academic Doctor degree of LA**

- 哈爾濱工業大學、東北林業大學、天津大學、西安建築科技大學、西北農林大學、清華大學、北京林業大學、河北農林大學、河南農業大學、華中農業大學、武漢大學、中南林業大學、重慶大學、四川農業大學、同濟大學、東南大學、南京林業大學、福建農林大學、華南理工大學

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Development of **Academic Doctor degree of LA**

**Doctoral Degree**

The doctoral degree program is aimed at cultivating innovating and competent research and management talents for national, regional, urban and community outdoor space planning. Graduates are supposed to have good command of professional knowledge and latest academic progress to carry out innovative researches independently, and master at least a foreign languages so as to conduct international communications. Graduates could work at universities, institutes, organizations of landscape architecture focusing on education, researches, planning and design, and administrative management.
The 21st Century is full of opportunities and challenges. Urbanization will impose new requirements upon urban environments and social services. With the social progress and economic growth of China, Landscape Architecture has become imperative to national development and construction.

Landscape Architecture will definitely have a bright future!
Thank you!

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