



# Bachelor Programme in Landscape Planning and Landscape Architecture

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## 1. Why this study programme?

This study programme has been developed in response to the growing need for specialists who understand territory as an ecological, social and aesthetic system. It addresses challenges related to rapid urbanisation, landscape degradation, climate change and the need for green infrastructure, linking academic training with real labour market demands in Albania.

## 2. Programme description

The Bachelor Programme in Landscape Planning and Landscape Architecture is an interdisciplinary programme that combines ecological and territorial foundations with spatial planning, landscape design, and the management of on-site interventions. The curriculum is organised over six semesters and progressively builds competencies in analysis, planning, design, graphic representation, use of GIS/CAD, professional communication, and practical engagement in real contexts. The programme is based on the UBT-BOKU 2030 reform and aligns with European standards and professional practice.

## 3. Study objectives

The programme aims to train specialists capable of analysing, planning, designing and managing urban, rural and natural landscapes at different scales. Key objectives include strengthening theoretical and ecological foundations, developing design and digital skills, integrating social, legal and economic dimensions into decision-making, and preparing students for both professional practice and Master-level studies.

## 4. Graduate profile

*Note: Although four professional orientations are presented, the programme does not have formally separated profiles at Bachelor level.*

### **Landscape Planning Specialist**

Graduates may orient themselves as landscape and territorial planning specialists, capable of analysing ecological structures and integrating them into planning instruments. They understand the relationships among land use, biodiversity, and green infrastructure.

### **Landscape Designer**

Graduates may also work as landscape designers, developing concepts and detailed solutions for parks, public spaces and recreational areas, combining aesthetics, functionality and ecological principles.

### **Nature Conservation Specialist**

The programme prepares graduates to assess landscape character, ecosystem services and conservation needs, contributing to management plans and restoration projects.

### **Spatial Analysis Specialist**

Graduates may develop skills in GIS, CAD and spatial analysis, preparing maps, reports and technical documentation for planning and design processes.

## **5. Key competences acquired**

Students acquire competencies in landscape analysis, spatial planning, design, GIS/CAD, professional communication and basic project management, alongside teamwork, critical thinking and ethical responsibility.

## **6. Study content**

The study content is organised into five groups: basic courses, core disciplinary courses, interdisciplinary courses, complementary courses and final requirements. It includes ecology, geosciences, statistics, planning, design studios, legislation and professional practice.

## **7. Teaching methods**

Teaching is delivered through lectures, seminars, design studios, practical exercises, fieldwork and digital tools, with a project-based and collaborative learning approach.

## **8. Practice and projects**

The programme emphasises professional practice, applied projects and studio work. Students engage in real-case analyses, planning and design exercises, and internships.

## **9. Career opportunities**

Graduates can work in municipalities, planning agencies, environmental institutions, design studios, construction companies and development projects related to landscape, biodiversity and sustainable territorial development.

## **10. Further studies**

The programme provides a solid basis for Master studies in landscape planning, environmental management and related interdisciplinary fields.

## **11. About the university**

The Agricultural University of Tirana, through the Faculty of Agriculture and Environment, offers this programme as part of the UBT–BOKU 2030 reform, supported by strong academic tradition and modern infrastructure.

## **12. Key programme data**

Duration: 3 academic years

Semesters: 6

Credits: 180 ECTS

Language: Albanian and English

Maximum intake: 50 students

Annual fee: 25,000 ALL

## **13. Admission criteria**

Admission is based on merit, relevance of previous education and quotas defined by the faculty, following UBT regulations.

## **14. Additional information**

For further information, candidates may contact the Faculty of Agriculture and Environment at UBT.