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Why study architecture technology?

Architecture is perhaps the oldest form of art known to man. Before man painted paintings or cast sculptures, he built buildings. It is the combination of art and skill required to design these buildings that we call architecture. It is both challenging and rewarding to begin with an idea, and know how to put that idea onto paper in such a way that it will eventually become a finished structure.

What can I do with an architecture technology certificate/degree?

A student who has earned a certificate of achievement or associate in science degree in architecture technology is well prepared to enter the field as an architectural technician.

Architectural technicians work with and are supervised by architects. Technicians may prepare technical and presentation drawings, draft copies of specifications and cost estimates, revise plans, trace details from various sources, operate printing machines, and assemble prints and other documents for projects. Landscape architects, industrial designers, interior designers, and engineers all employ architectural technicians.

Many of DVC’s architecture technology students plan to transfer to a four-year college to pursue a bachelor’s degree in architecture. Most courses are transferable and the instructors work closely with students to help them select the courses they need to ensure transfer to a four-year program. The associate in science in architecture technology is structured to allow students to transfer to many universities and state schools with advanced placement in an architecture degree program.

“Architecture is an excellent creative field to consider if you are interested in shaping the built environment through art, design and technology!” Daniel Abbott