The three-year Master of Architecture program (M.Arch) is for applicants with no background in architecture who possess a four-year undergraduate degree in any area other than architecture. The program consists of 105 credit hours and is usually completed in three and one half years. The course of study consists of six semesters of design studio course work followed by a semester long master’s project. Supporting courses in history and theory, building technology, sustainability practices, digital technology, professional business practices as well as cross-disciplinary electives complete the course of study. Students are eligible to spend their sixth semester studying in Genoa Italy.

Portfolio Requirements for Three-Year M.Arch Applicants
Applicants should submit portfolios of creative work that demonstrates the candidates’ creative abilities as well as their visual and written communication skills.

A portfolio MUST contain:
A one-page (maximum) statement outlining the applicant’s intentions, aspirations and purpose in pursuing a professional degree in architecture.

Examples of recent artistic work and / or design projects that you have completed on your own or in collaboration with others (Please explain what your role was in any collaborative work)

A portfolio MAY contain:
A drawing of a chair or chairs
A drawing of a bicycle or bicycles
A drawing of a shoe or a group of shoes.

Note: The Architecture Department admissions committee strongly discourages the inclusion of construction documents in the portfolio.

Format + Deadlines
Check with the Architecture Department website for the portfolio format and for submission deadlines.

http://www.fiu.edu/~soa/portfolio_requirements.htm