The Master of Landscape Architecture (MLA) Program at RMIT University is concerned with research based on the activity of designing. The program explores Landscape as a diverse medium that exists at a range of scales from the micro to the macro, and includes a range of qualities from garden to city, from political to infrastructural, and from the social to the economical. Furthermore, it is understood to be specific to site, time, and process. The course challenges students to engage with the Landscape Architecture Discipline as one that can respond to the challenges of a rapidly changing complex world through innovative design at the juncture of the urban and natural environments.

The MLA Program aims to produce independent researchers who undertake their research through design. It is an opportunity for students to define and explore their own research within a studio framework, and to investigate something they are passionate about, and in turn, contribute to the theory and practice of Landscape Architecture.