At institution/state level:
The Department of Architecture is currently working on the curriculum for a proposed addition of an undergraduate professional degree (B.Arch) **option** for our students; we will be *adding this* to our current 3+ and 2 year Master of Architecture professional degree program. The curricular map will maintain a 4 year pre-professional “major” in architecture to facilitate students interested in pursuing a Master’s professional degree. We believe the additional degree option will address the needs of some of our undergraduate student demographic. We are not modifying the existing undergraduate major (BA/BS in architecture) as some of our students prefer to seek a graduate professional degree and this degree allows them an “off ramp” for the proposed undergraduate professional degree (B.Arch)

**SCHEDULE FOR THIS INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING TARGET (or past) DATES:**

- **(January 2016 initial faculty discussions RE the viability of a B.Arch option)**
- **(January – March 2016 departmental faculty discussion RE pros/cons of option)**
- **(August – November 2016: focused departmental Undergraduate Curriculum Committee discussions on curricular structure per NAAB 2014 Conditions; Departmental Faculty updates/discussion at departmental faculty meetings)**

- **December 13, 2016**: Department of Architecture faculty vote RE approval of B.Arch degree option and curriculum (course adds to existing BA/BS pre-professional degree)

- **January/February 2017**: College and University curricular approval

- **February 2017**: Ball State Provost/president institutional approval

- **February/March 2017**: Ball State Board of Trustees
• *NAAB (Submission of written plan to NAAB occurs after President approval...see detail that follows)

• April 2017: Indiana Commission on Higher Education (AA+Q session)

• May/June 2017: Full Indiana Commission on Higher Ed approval

*NAAB (start this path after anticipated Provost/President approval in February 2017)

• BSU Chief Academic Officer (President): letter of intention to seek candidacy (B.Arch) with prerequisites and credit hour total. Also include letter of BSU’s most recent accreditation decision.

• TO NAAB: Plan for Achieving Initial Accreditation max 77 pages, 3 MB, .doc or .PDF INCLUDING:
  o Cover page
  o Analysis of current status with long term objectives for establishment and implementation
  o Analysis of the extent to which the new program already complies with the Conditions for Accreditation with special emphasis on program identity, resources, and curricular framework
  o Plan for securing resources (staff, faculty, space, financial support)
  o Plan for securing institutional approvals for the proposed degree
  o Plan for recruiting and retaining students
  o Plan for recruiting full-time and adjunct faculty to teach within and support the program
Proposed date for enrolling first cohort: **Fall 2017** (into architecture specific curriculum...first year (as is currently) is shared foundation design year for college)

Projected date for awarding first B.Arch degrees to first cohort: **Spring 2021**

Plan for developing new courses and/or curricular sequences including faculty assignments and physical resources

Plan for external support, funding, alumni engagement and professional community engagement

Plans or provisions in the event that the program does not achieve initial candidacy

Plans or provisions in the event that the program does not achieve initial accreditation

**SUBMIT THIS PLAN** via electronic application in February/March