A portfolio of creative work is required with an application for admission to the Bachelor of Architectural Studies, and it is to your advantage to take the time to present yourself well.

You must provide a portfolio demonstrating design, graphic design and/or art skills equivalent to NCEA Level 3.

Contents
Your portfolio should contain between six and 12 original or copied pieces of your work.

Work should be bound and mounted on boards no bigger than A3 size.

Please restrict your presentation to a maximum of 4 sheets of A3 size; (if posting A4 size is fine.)

The folio may be submitted electronically in PDF format or on boards.

We would encourage you to include a variety of artwork including Sketches of architecture, still life and other observational drawings. We would also be looking for work in a variety of media, such as painting, 2D & 3D designs, photography, sculpture and digital media. These may include hobbies and activities you have completed outside of school.

If you are a school leaver and are producing a folio for the end of year please digitally copy a selection of your work to be used in your folio for us.

Examples of Folio work:

Portfolio Criteria
Portfolios will be assessed against the following criteria:

(a) Composition
(b) Concepts - ideas and content
(c) Variety and range of media
(d) Drawing skills

Please include your name and return address.

Closing date for applications: January each year
(late submissions may be accepted)

Portfolios must be submitted with your application.

If you need assistance please call 0800 24 24 76.

If submitting by email, please send to Kirsty Billington at kirsty.billington@ara.ac.nz
Examples of Folio work: