

## Landscape Architectural Accreditation Board Update

The Landscape Architectural Accreditation Board (LAAB) met on August 15-16, 2003. The LAAB made the following accreditation decisions:

Granted accreditation for six years (due to expire on June 30, 2009) to:

University of Georgia – course of study leading to the first professional MLA degree  
Mississippi State University – BLA program  
Morgan State University – course of study leading to the first professional MLA degree  
Ohio State University – BSLA program  
Oklahoma State University – BLA program  
Texas A & M University – BLA program

Granted initial accreditation for six years (with submittal of satisfactory progress report in three years) to:  
University of New Mexico – course of study leading to the first professional MLA degree

Granted provisional accreditation for two years to:

University of Oklahoma – course of study leading to the first professional MLA degree.

The LAAB thanks the following individuals who participated as visiting team members (team chairs in bold):

University of Georgia – **Gary Kesler, FASLA**, Dr. Gary Kiger, and Ms. Cathy Gerachis, ASLA

Mississippi State University – **Art Rice, ASLA**, Robert Dunay and J. Bruce Jorgensen, ASLA

Morgan State University – **Ray Weisenberger**, Dr. Jack Ahern, FASLA, and Dr. Marcha Johnson, ASLA

University of New Mexico – **Noel Vernon, ASLA**, Dr. Russell Dean, and David Walters, ASLA

Ohio State University – **Karen Hanna, FASLA**, Dr. Jeff Koep, and Ed Blake, ASLA

Oklahoma State University – **Steven McBride**, Dr. Lorraine Davis, and Rick Ciardella, ASLA

University of Oklahoma – **Robert Melnick, FASLA**, Dr. Steve Goodwin, and Whitney Talcott, ASLA

Texas A & M University – **Stephanie Rolley, ASLA**, Dr. Edward Williams, and Neil Dean, FASLA.

The terms of Kay Williams, FASLA and Karol Kulas, ASLA will expire at the end of the year. Professor Bernie Dahl, ASLA of Purdue University and Catherine Mahan, FASLA of Mahan Rykiel Associates of Baltimore were elected to three-year terms beginning on January 1, 2004. Also, in 2004, Gerald L. Smith, FASLA will become LAAB chairman.

The list of accredited programs and other accreditation documents are posted on ASLA at <http://www.asla.org/nonmembers/education.cfm>.