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THE ULTIMATE WORK EXPERIENCE

The Young Architect Summer Experience

2025

Ages 15-18 London | UCL Campus

Join us for the ultimate work experience in architecture this summer in London.

Over the course of 2 weeks, students will step into the shoes of an architect through a range of immersive career simulations and exclusive professional site visits.

This is a unique opportunity to work alongside top architects, gain hands-on experience to boost university and job applications and experience life on-campus at a world-renowned university, University College London.

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LocationLondon, UCL Campus

Length

1 week or 2 weeks

Start Date 28th July 2025





Programme Highlights

Complete a series of projects in a studio setting using architectural sketching tools & design techniques

Pitch your final designs to a panel of architects and architectural assistants and receive valuable feedback

Experience the day-to-day life as an architect on a visit to a top architecture and urban design firm

Extensive coaching on all stages of the architecture school journey & receive feedback on your portfolio and models

Gain a personalised certificate, industry reference letter & UCAS points for a Level 3 Award in Work Experience

Learn from and network with senior architects & architecture students

"My highlight has been the firm visit to Foster + Partners because I have never visited an architecture firm before. It not only taught me new skills and drawing techniques but helped me immerse into the world of architecture."

"It was well organised, the staff were friendly, the programme was very practical, I met some interesting people, and got a great insight into the profession. I would highly recommend this."

Student, the Young Architect Summer Experience 2023 Student, the Young Architect Summer Experience 2024

Sample Summer Experience Timetable

Week 1

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Residential Package	Programme Content	Premium Content

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
07:30 - 09:30		Breakfast						
10:00 - 10:30	Residential students			Travel to venue				
10:30 - 13:00		Residential students	The Young Architect Summer Experience Meet your Young Architect peers, professionals and network with icebreakers and practical activities	The brief and site analysis Receive an introduction to your brief and conduct your very own site visit and analysis	Foster + Partners visit Visit one of the biggest Architecture firms in the world and participate in a skills training session from top architects	Work on your brief Continue working in groups on your brief	The final push Finalise your research presentation and models ahead of the afternoon crit	
13:00 - 14:00	arrive &		Lunch Break					
14:00 - 17:00	check-in	Upskilling: The Basics Practise crucial basic design skills: plans & sections, working with scale, sketching & drawing	Intervention research and prototyping Work in groups to design your site intervention	Modelling workshop Discover the basics and best techniques of physical model making to help you in your brief	Career Coaching: how to navigate the world of architecture Discover the different paths and options available to make your dream career in architecture come true	The Crit Present your work to a panel of expert architects and receive invaluable feedback		
17:00 - 17:30	Travel			Travel to accommodation	Γravel to accommodation			
17:30 - 19:30		Dinner & Break						
19:30 - 22:00	Induction & icebreakers	Movie night	Board game café	Sports & games night	Wellness evening	Quiz night		
23:00	Lights Out							

Weekend (Premium)

Weekend (Residential)

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Breakfast				Breakf	ast	
mmersive strategy game workshop Professional development coaching sessions			: Check-Out	Break - Free time	Break - Free time	
Lunch Break			ents	Lunch Break		
ychometric testing & ersonality profiling Expert university admissions & recruitment coaching			Week I Residential Students Check-Out	London walking tour	Sports day at central London park	
Dinner & Break			l R	Dinner & Break		
Scavenger hunt Crafts night			Week	Scavenger hunt	Crafts night	
Lights Out				Light	s Out	
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WEEKEND - NON-RESIDENTIAL Break - No Programmes

Week 2

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday			
07:30 - 09:30			Breakfast						
10:00 - 10:30	Travel to venue								
10:30-13:00	Your new site and brief Undertake a new site visit and receive an exciting new brief for the second week Architecture through the ages Embark on a walking tour of the streets of London and discover its rich architectural history		Enter the Architectural Firm Discover what it is like to run your own architecture firm from professional architects Work on your brief Finalise your brief and model for the second week project		The exhibition - Final touches Learn best practices on how to present your work ahead of the exhibition				
13:00 - 14:00			Lunch Break			2-Week			
14:00 - 17:00	Begin working on your brief Learn what a sustainable system is and how you can incorportate it into your designs Sustainable Systems: an introduction Learn what a sustainable system is an how you can incorporate it into your designs		Digital Design An introduction to industry standard softwares and how they can be applied in your every day work Continued Continued		The exhibition Exhibit your work to professional architects and receive personalised feedback and awards	Residential students check-out & depart			
17:00 - 17:30			Travel to accommodation						
17:30 - 19:30			Dinner & Break						
19:30 - 22:00	Film night	Sports & games night	Wellness evening	Karaoke night	Prom				
23:00			Lights Out						
			17:30 - 21:00	Gala dinner wi	ith professionals				



Exact start/end times of each day will vary. Students will receive their personalised timetables with specific locations and venues, as well as a finalised social programme schedule, closer to the programme start date.

Dates

	Accommodation Check-In	Programme Start Date	Week 1 Programme End Date	Week 1 Accommodation Check-Out	Week 2 Programme End Date	Week 2 Accommodation Check-Out
Intake	Sunday 27th	Monday 28th	Friday 1st	Saturday 2nd	Friday 8th	Saturday 9th
	July 2025	July 2025	August 2025	August 2025	August 2025	August 2025

Fees

Length	Programme Only Fee	Programme + Residential Package Fee		
1 week	£2,150	£3,550		
2 weeks	£3,150	£6,150		
2-week Premium	£4,250	£7,250		

Add-On	Fee
Airport transfers Available to/from Heathrow Airport only	£300 return
Level 3 Award in Work Experience & Assessment for UCAS Points Available to add on for 2-week bookings only	£375* *Included in Premium programme fees





What's included in programme fees?	1-Week Summer Experience	2-Week Summer Experience	2-Week Premium Summer Experience
Hours of contact time with professionals	25	50	65
Hands-on career simulations	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Programme materials, equipment & resources	\checkmark	✓	\checkmark
Programme assessment & digital certificate	\checkmark	\checkmark	✓
On-site safeguarding & pastoral care	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Experience UCL campus	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Branded InvestIN merchandise	\checkmark	√	\checkmark
Excursions to professional workplaces/venues	√ Up to 2	✓ Up to 5	√ Up to 5
Assessment centre		✓	✓
Graduation ceremony & physical certificate		✓	✓
Industry reference letter signed by professionals		√	\checkmark
Level 3 Award in Work Experience & Assessment for UCAS Points		Available as an add-on	✓
Experience LSE campus			\checkmark
Personalised professional development & university admissions coaching			✓
Psychometric testing & personality profiling			\checkmark
Private Gala dinner & networking event with professionals			√

What's included in the Summer Residential Package?	1-Week Summer Experience	2-Week Summer Experience	2-Week Premium Summer Experience	
Private, single, ensuite bedroom	6 nights	13 nights	13 nights	
Breakfast & dinner at accommodation canteen		\checkmark		
Snacks & refillable water bottle	✓			
Travel to/from accommodation venue	\checkmark			
Evening social activities	\checkmark			
Weekend social activities	\checkmark			
24/7 safeguarding & pastoral support, including a designated Pastoral & Activity leader, House Parents, Centre Managers & a medical office	✓			
Airport transfers to/from Heathrow airport	Available as an add-on			
Lunch vouchers	Ave	ailable as an add	-on	

Find out more about our professionals, venues, residential package & FAQs in our main prospectus

View Brochure

How to Register

Registering for an InvestIN programme is a simple, straightforward process.

- No application process
 Students don't require prior knowledge or experience in order to attend.
- Places are limited

 We are typically fully booked for summer programmes by late spring.

Selection

Head to our website and choose your desired career, length and date of programme.

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Payment

Pay in full online or secure your place by paying a non-refundable £950 deposit. Alternatively, contact us to pay via invoice.

3 Enrolment You will be invited capture important

You will be invited to complete a student enrolment form, so we can capture important information for your time with us, such as medical information, travel details and emergency contacts.



Pre-Programme

Once you have completed the student enrolment form, you will receive your pre-arrival pack, including your personalised timetable and materials.

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Post-Programme

After you have attended a programme, you will receive a copy of the slides and content covered and be invited to complete an online assessment to receive your personalised certificate.



Stay in touch!

We love to hear what our alumni go on to achieve. Look out for future invitations to share your next steps with us.

Have questions? Not sure which programme is for you?

Our admissions team are here to help. Chat live via our website, www.investin.org, email us at info@investin.org or speak to us over the phone on + 44 (0) 203 488 5089.

