# THE SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN

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#### Vision

We aim to promote an interdisciplinary culture of design and research engaged with environmental, and societal challenges. Together we thrive as advocates and creative design leaders who serve local and global communities to improve the world through design innovation.

#### **Mission**

We empower design students and educators from all backgrounds to become creative, civic-minded problem-solvers, responding to global challenges and contributing to local communities. Our graduates are equipped with the skills, knowledge, and immersive experiences to shape the future of design.

## **Education Model**

The School of Architecture & Design provides a holistic learning experience by using an experiential learning model for student success. The School offers hands-on learning opportunities through class projects in the studio and lab. During co-op semesters, students apply what they have learned at school to real-world projects and sharpen their professional knowledge and skills. The School is committed to educating students to be creative and innovative problem solvers and design thinkers.

## **Laboratory Experience**

Students in the School of Architecture & Design learn by doing. The School has dedicated studio spaces that support interactions with student peers and faculty, helping to build a strongly bonded and collaborative design community. The School of Architecture and Design Labs offer students access to equipment and services for fabricating prototypes and models. These labs are equipped with various up-to-date machines and technology.

## **Global Impact**

The School of Architecture & Design leads the effort to connect regional expertise with global partners through educational and engagement programs that support degree-specific learning and research goals. We

offer transformative study-abroad programs at undergraduate and graduate levels, ranging in duration from one week to one semester.