

DISCOVER YOUR STORY IN ARCHITECTURE

UNIVERSITY OF
WATERLOO





INSPIRING SPACES

ON THE GRAND RIVER IN CAMBRIDGE

The School of Architecture is a source of design inspiration. Set on the Grand River in Cambridge, Ontario, it's a short drive from the University of Waterloo's main campus and surrounded by a host of historic buildings and structures. Our campus is housed in the carefully restored 1920s Riverside Silk Mill and features an award-winning library, an art gallery, fitness facilities, eateries, and student support services.

In a class of 76 students, you will actively engage with classmates, sharing space with upper-year students in large, open studios. Students have their own drafting table and storage area and enjoy access to computer labs, design software, and a full-scale workshop with a wide range of tools and equipment – such as laser cutters, robotic arms, and 3D printers.

AND ACROSS THE TIBER IN ROME

During fifth year, you will live and study at our Rome campus, the only permanent, international facility maintained by a Canadian architecture school. Housed in a beautifully restored 17th-century palazzo on Piazza di Santa Maria in Trastevere, the campus features classrooms, a library, and a computer lab, all set in the heart of an ancient city rich in architectural history.

15:1 student to
professor ratio

DESIGN THE FUTURE

Live a creative life.

MORE TO EXPLORE

Meet us online for more tips and stories:

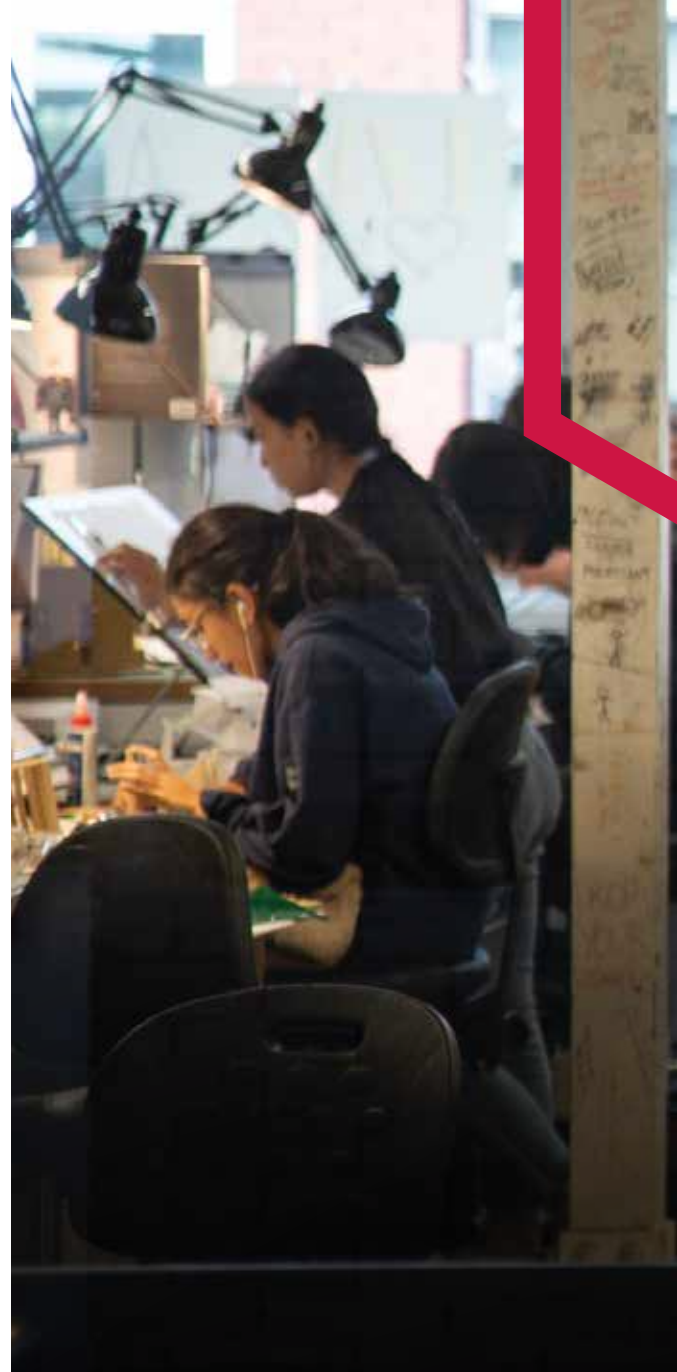
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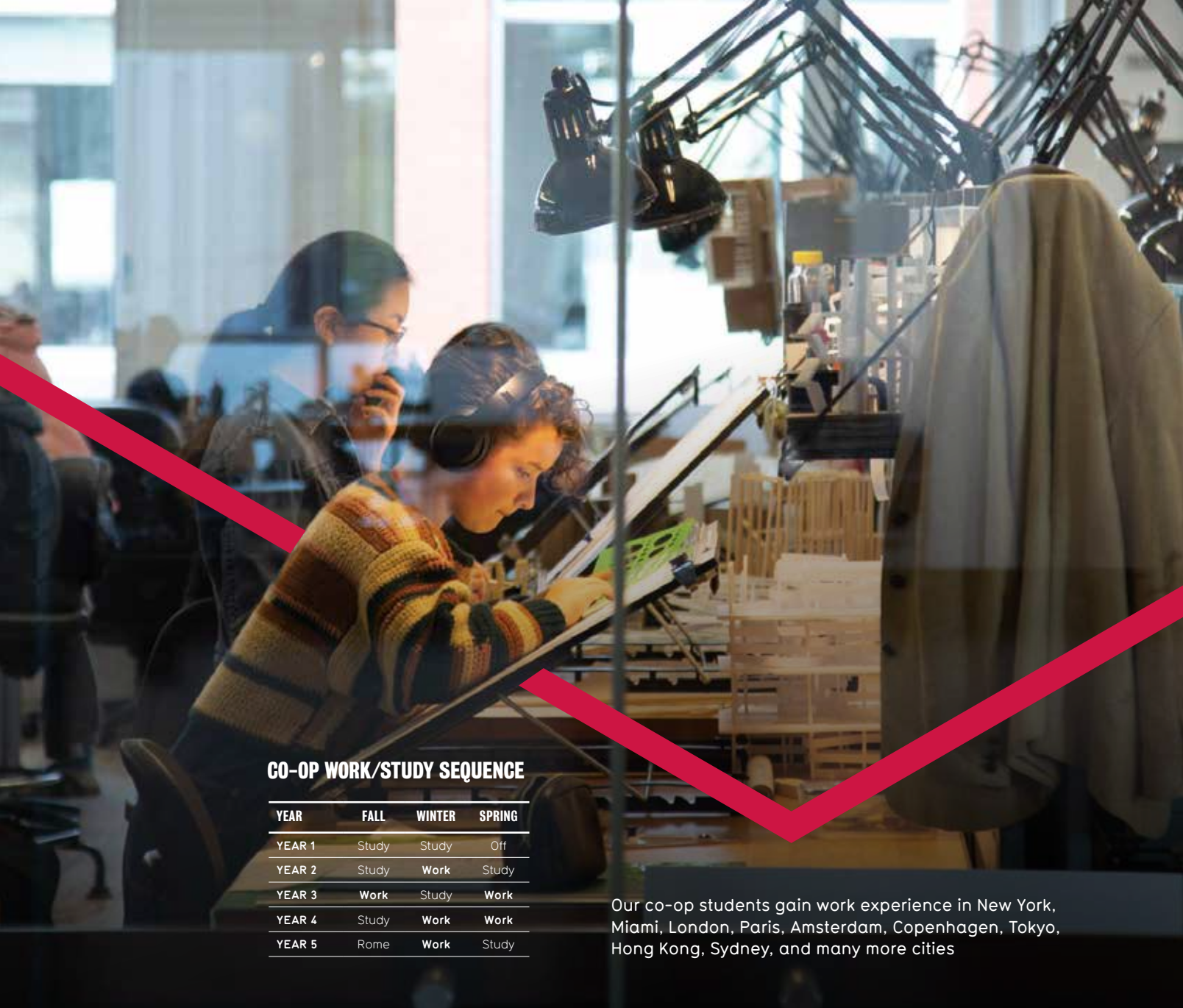
JOIN A COMMUNITY OF CREATIVE AND INQUISITIVE PEOPLE

Learn in a creative field that brings together art, culture, society, and technology. Architects shape the built and natural environments. They explore the newest materials, technologies, and media while integrating the knowledge of cultural, architectural, and urban history that together form our world. Waterloo's School of Architecture is a leader in architectural education, with a unique cultural history stream, innovative work in new technologies, and a world-renowned co-op program, set on two inspiring campuses in Cambridge, Ontario and Rome, Italy.

DESIGN FROM DAY ONE

In Waterloo's Architecture program, students have the opportunity to design from day one. Study with award-winning professors in a program that offers peer learning, collegiality, and collaboration. Work on design projects that explore all scales of buildings, structures, cities, and landscapes. Become skilled in the use of materials and sustainable technologies, while gaining a broad understanding of larger cultural and ecological transformations happening in the world.





CO-OP WORK/STUDY SEQUENCE

YEAR	FALL	WINTER	SPRING
YEAR 1	Study	Study	Off
YEAR 2	Study	Work	Study
YEAR 3	Work	Study	Work
YEAR 4	Study	Work	Work
YEAR 5	Rome	Work	Study

Our co-op students gain work experience in New York, Miami, London, Paris, Amsterdam, Copenhagen, Tokyo, Hong Kong, Sydney, and many more cities



A GLOBAL DESIGN COMMUNITY

Our global reach is reflected in all that we do: with co-op jobs available around the world, the Rome campus, renowned guest lecturers, and international design project locations. As a Waterloo Architecture student, you'll be exposed to architecture and professionals from across the globe. You'll also interact with respected local and international lecturers and critics and participate in colloquia, international conferences, and competitions.

EARN AS YOU LEARN

Waterloo is home to the largest co-op program in North America. All Architecture students participate in co-op – alternating between study and work terms. With two years of professional work built into the program, you will create a strong foundation of practical experience and professional connections for your architectural career.

ADMISSIONS 2024

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

Ontario high school requirements:

- › English (ENG4U); Physics; Advanced Functions; Calculus and Vectors
- › two additional 12 U or M courses
- › minimum final grade of 75% in English and 70% in each of the Math and Physics courses
- › competitive averages from mid-80s to be selected for the interview process with accompanying portfolio of creative work and English précis-writing exercise. Grade 11 and 12 marks are used in this academic review

For a detailed list of requirements, visit

uwaterloo.ca/future/requirements

TOUR OUR CAMPUS

Use the QR code to get the latest information on touring our campus



ADMISSIONS PROCESS

FEBRUARY 2024

Applications are submitted via OUAC by February 1, 2024.

BY MID-MARCH 2024

Approximately 400 to 500 students will be selected (based primarily on marks) and invited to the next step of the admissions process, the portfolio presentation and interview.

BY LATE APRIL 2024

Portfolio presentation and interview: Selected students will be invited to an interview and portfolio presentation with the Admissions Committee. The interview is an opportunity to discuss works in the student's portfolio and to learn more about their interests and motivations.

English précis: All candidates will also complete an English language test in the form of a précis, to be written online.

BY EARLY MAY 2024

Offers of Admission will be sent to approximately 75 to 85 first-year students.

For more information, refer to:

uwaterloo.ca/architecture/future-undergraduate-students

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL TERRITORY

The University of Waterloo acknowledges that much of our work takes place on the traditional territory of the Neutral, Anishinaabeg and Haudenosaunee peoples. Our main campus is situated on the Haldimand Tract, the land granted to the Six Nations that includes six miles on each side of the Grand River. Our active work toward reconciliation takes place across our campuses through research, learning, teaching, and community building, and is co-ordinated within our Office of Indigenous Relations.

YOU+WATERLOO

Our greatest impact happens together

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