



CITYMAKERS
COLLECTIVE

SUMMER STUDIO 2025

INFORMATION FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

IN ASSOCIATION WITH INTBAU USA

Deadline For Application: March 15, 2025

THE CITYMAKERS DIFFERENCE



Discover Urban Beauty

Spend two immersive weeks in one of America's most beautiful and walkable cities, soaking in its historic charm and vibrant urbanism.



Sharpen your Skills

Build your expertise through hands-on drawing sessions, design studios, and urban exploration that will boost your portfolio and future career.



Grow your Community

Connect with like-minded peers, mentors, and industry leaders who share your passion for designing more human cities.

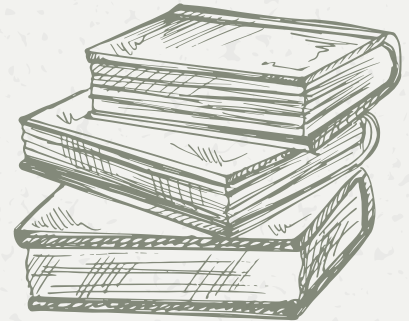
LET'S DESIGN A BETTER FUTURE!

OUR PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

Join us this summer in the beautiful and historic city of Charleston, South Carolina for an intensive two-week program focused on **human-scaled urban design and architecture**. In collaboration with INTBAU USA, Summer Studio 25 is being carefully crafted to empower students and young professionals with the skills and insights needed to create thoughtful, sustainable, and engaging cityscapes.

PROGRAM DETAILS

The Summer Studio will meet 10 hours daily from **July 7 - 20**, with Sunday afternoons free. During this time, you will hear lectures from industry leaders, practice your hand-drawing skills through immersive drawing sessions, and explore the city of Charleston on guided tours. Throughout the two weeks, you'll tackle an urban design challenge in a comprehensive design studio, producing design proposals that will be **presented to a jury** of local leaders and design professionals at the conclusion of the program.



COSTS

Tuition: Estimated at **\$1,750**

Housing: Housing is **not** included in tuition, but affordable options are being finalized - expect more details soon.

Additional Expenses: Meals, transportation to and from the program, and personal supplies are not provided.

ELIGIBILITY

We welcome any **students** and **young professionals** with a passion for citymaking. Since the program features a core studio where students will produce hand-drawn design proposals, a preference is given to applicants with a design background - but this is not a requirement. **We encourage individuals with diverse perspectives to apply.**

APPLICATION

Applications for the Summer Studio 2025 are open from **Dec. 19, 2024 through Mar. 15, 2025**. Please note that you will be asked to respond to a few short answer questions (250 words or less) and attach a resume. We'll also ask for you to attach a few (optional) samples of your design or drawing work. You can apply [here](#) today.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Financial assistance is available based on financial need and merit. For more information on how to apply for financial assistance, please contact team@citymakerscollective.org

ADDITIONAL INFO

For common questions about accommodations, meals, required materials, etc. please visit our FAQ section online. For additional inquiries and support, please contact team@citymakerscollective.org



TYPICAL DAILY SCHEDULE

08:30 – 10:15

DRAWING ANALYSIS

Start your morning sharpening observation and drawing skills through guided exercises. Enjoy group activities that encourage collaboration and camaraderie while building essential design tools.

10:15 – 10:45

GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES

Hear from an international cohort of inspiring guest speakers who share their journeys in urbanism. These quick, uplifting talks are focused on their unique careers and global perspectives.

10:45 – 12:15

CORE SKILLS

Take a deep dive into key urban design topics with hands-on learning led by experienced professionals. Gain practical insights and techniques to apply in your projects.

12:15 – 13:00

LUNCH

Enjoy a relaxed break to refuel. With no set schedule, explore local spots or bring your own lunch to recharge for the afternoon.

13:00 – 17:00

DESIGN STUDIO

Tackle real-world urban design challenges in a structured studio setting. Work both independently and in teams to create innovative solutions with guidance from instructors.

17:00 – 18:30

EVENING SYMPOSIUM

End your day with thought-provoking talks from industry leaders. These sessions explore big ideas, from climate change to neuroscience, and how they connect to urbanism.

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Summer Studio 25

BUILDING THE CITYMAKERS OF TOMORROW

At Summer Studio 2025, you'll gain more than skills - you'll shape the future of cities. This is your chance to connect timeless principles with fresh perspectives, inspiring change to build places that truly matter. Together, we'll create a brighter, more human-centered world.



About Citymakers Collective

We are a collective of professional urbanists, architects, professors, developers, planners, and enthusiasts who believe in building beautiful, sustainable places where we all can come alive and thrive. At Citymakers Collective, we know that meaningful design begins with purpose. Understanding the "why" behind urbanism helps us connect the places we create to the lives they enrich. It's all about designing spaces that reflect the needs, hopes, and values of people and communities. Here are some of our core beliefs:

Beauty

Beauty is essential to a fulfilling life, and we must build artistry into the spaces we inhabit everyday.

Prosperity

Density is the engine of prosperous cities, and we must shape charmingly bustling places.

Walkability

Daily movement is vital to human health, and we must inspire enthusiastic pedestrianism through dispersed moments of unexpected beauty

Resiliency

Thriving communities require thriving ecosystems, and we must defend local habitats through great urbanism.

Inclusivity

True change comes through cooperation, and we must be earnestly inclusive as we build our communities.

Context

Cultural traditions embody ancestral wisdom, and we must carry forward the long line of human ingenuity.

Community

Strong places build civic pride, and we must repair the urban fabric to repair societal fractures.

About INTBAU USA

INTBAU USA is part of a global network dedicated to creating better places to live through traditional building, architecture, and urbanism. The International Network for Traditional Building, Architecture and Urbanism (INTBAU) was established in 2001, and has since gained 40 chapters and over 10,000 members in more than 100 countries and regions. INTBAU's mission is to support traditional building, the maintenance of local character, and the creation of better places to live.



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