

# DISCOVER YOUR STORY IN ARCHITECTURE

ADMISSIONS 2023

UNIVERSITY OF  
WATERLOO





# INSPIRING SPACES

## ON THE GRAND RIVER IN CAMBRIDGE

The School of Architecture, housed in the carefully restored 1920s Riverside Silk Mill in Cambridge, Ontario, is a source of design inspiration. Located just 35 minutes from the University of Waterloo's main campus, the Cambridge campus has all the amenities you need for living and for study. Set on the Grand River and surrounded by a host of historic buildings and structures, the School houses an award-winning library and an art gallery. Fitness facilities, eateries, and student support services are also close at hand.

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

## AND ACROSS THE TIBER IN ROME

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

**95.8%** co-op employment  
rate in 2022

**15:1** student to  
faculty ratio

# DESIGN THE FUTURE

Live a creative life.

## MORE TO EXPLORE

Meet us online for more tips and stories:

[uwaterloo.ca/architecture](https://uwaterloo.ca/architecture)

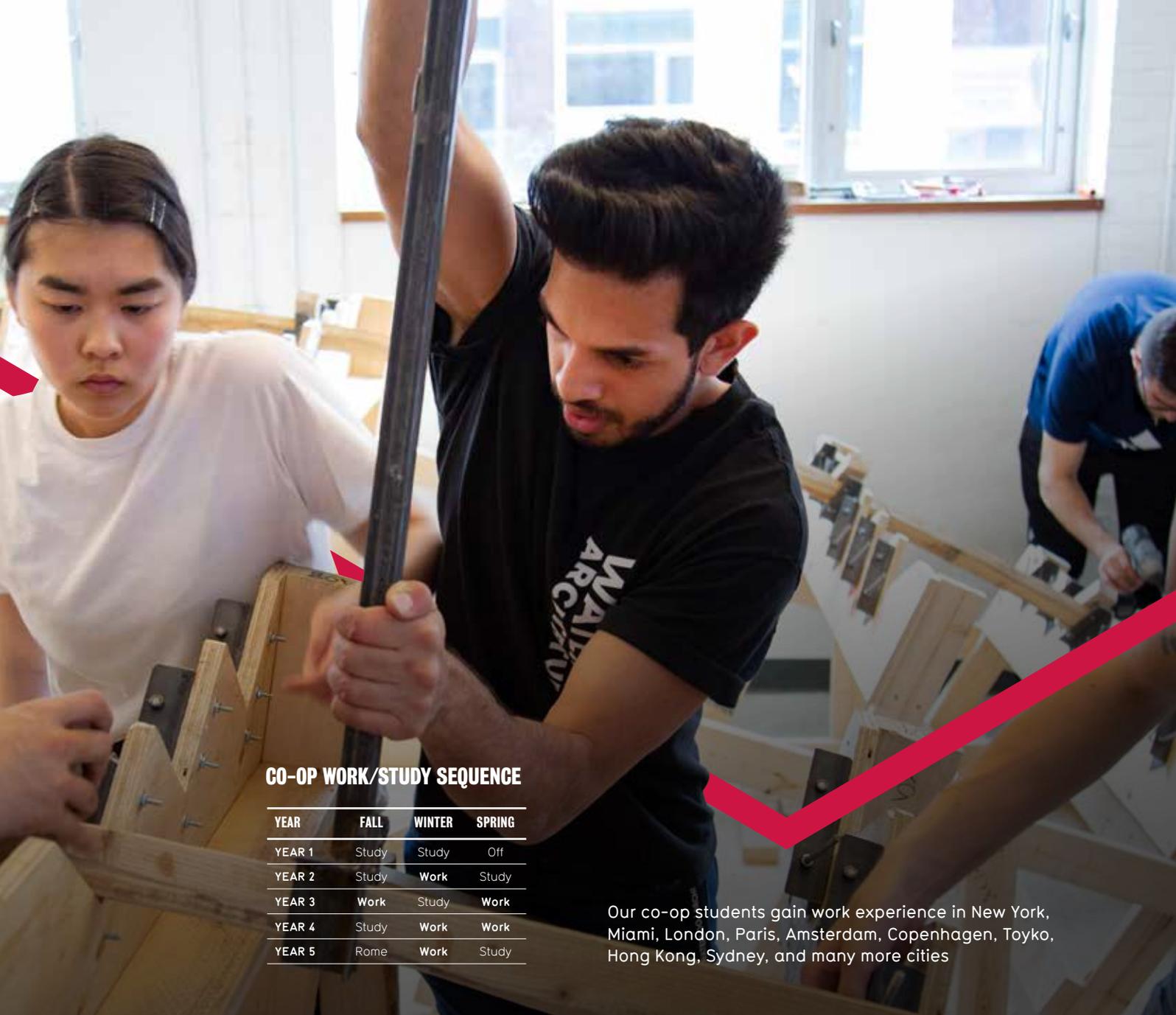
## JOIN A COMMUNITY OF CREATIVE AND INQUISITIVE PEOPLE

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. The Honours Bachelor of Architectural Studies is an outstanding program, with a unique cultural history stream, innovative work in new technologies, a world-renowned co-op program, and a strong student body. Set on two beautiful campuses in Cambridge, Ontario and Rome, Italy, this program is like no other.

## DESIGN FROM DAY ONE

As a student in Waterloo's Architecture program, you will have the opportunity to design from day one. You will work on design projects of all scales: from furniture and houses to cultural institutions and large urban buildings. You will learn about the design of buildings, structures, cities, and landscapes and become skilled in the uses of materials and sustainable technologies while getting a broad understanding of larger cultural and ecological transformations happening in the world. You will study with award-winning professors in a program that offers peer learning, collegiality, and collaboration.





### 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 will be exposed to architecture and professionals from all over the globe. You will interact with respected local and international lecturers and critics, participate in colloquia and international conferences, and join competitions.

## EARN AS YOU LEARN

Waterloo is home to the largest and most successful co-op program in the world. 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.

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## 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](https://uwaterloo.ca/future/requirements)

## TOUR OUR CAMPUS

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



## ADMISSIONS PROCESS

### BY EARLY MARCH

Submit any requested academic documents by our posted deadlines.

Submit your Admission Information Form (AIF). This is an opportunity to tell us about your interests and experiences, as well as your extracurricular and academic activities.

[uwaterloo.ca/future/aif](https://uwaterloo.ca/future/aif)

### BY LATE APRIL

**Interview** › Approximately 450 applicants will be selected to participate in a 25-minute interview with two professors and senior students. This is an opportunity for you to present and discuss a portfolio of your best creative work. An alternative process is available for applicants living at a distance from the school.

**Portfolio** › Your portfolio should be a compilation of high-quality creative work that represents your past and ongoing interests. It should showcase your strong artistic and inventive abilities. While there is no specific format or piece requirement for your portfolio, applicants are encouraged to include drawings and three-dimensional works. Originals are preferred. For more information refer to

[uwaterloo.ca/architecture/future-undergraduate-students](https://uwaterloo.ca/architecture/future-undergraduate-students)

**English précis-writing exercise** › On the day of your interview, you will be asked to complete an exercise that demonstrates your reading comprehension and writing abilities.

### BY EARLY MAY

All offers will be made by the first week of May 2023.

### 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.

**YOU+WATERLOO**

*Our greatest impact happens together*

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