

# *india program*

winter 2009

International Collaborative Design Studio, Chandigarh, India

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Department of Architecture, University of Washington

## **Introduction**

The University of Washington's India program offers students the unique opportunity to work in Chandigarh, India, one of the most renowned modern cities of the world, designed by Le Corbusier in the 1950s. This program uses Chandigarh as a laboratory for learning to design in the rapidly transforming economy of India. Collaboration with the local professional, academic and conservation community is at the heart of the India Program.

In addition, the Program will have one long field trip and several short field trips to significant architectural and urban sites of historic importance, including Agra (the Taj), Fatehpur Sikri, and Delhi.

The Program is 10 weeks long.

## **Facilities and Lodging**

The Department of Architecture's India Program works in collaboration with a local institution—the Chandigarh Foundation (a not-for profit dedicated to the conservation and promotion of the modern architecture of India) – that will support the administrative needs of the students prior during their stay.

The program will be conducted at the oldest school of Architecture in Chandigarh—the Chandigarh College of Architecture (CCA) in Sector 12, Chandigarh. This building was designed by Le Corbusier working with Aditya Prakash, a local architect.

The Program will arrange paying guest shared accommodations within rickshaw/bicycling distance to CCA for the students and for hotels during field trips. It is quite likely, but not certain, that food will also be included in the accommodations.

## **Courses and Credits**

Students will receive fifteen (15) quarter credits:

**Arch 496:** A nine-credit course comprising a seminar and on-site studies of the architecture and urban design of Chandigarh and its environs (3 credits); history of Indian architecture (3 credits); and independent projects (3 credits).

**Studio (usually Arch 503/400 or 600/499):** Six credits of studio work focusing on the contemporary transformation of Chandigarh through fieldwork, research and design. Students matriculated in a design program in the College of Architecture and Urban Planning will get credit for a design studio at the appropriate level.

## **Faculty**

The program will be led by Prof Vikramaditya Prakash, with participation by guest faculty from the Chandigarh College of Architecture, local practitioners, and international visiting architects and scholars.

## **Orientation**

There is a mandatory Online Orientation organized by UW's Office of International Programs and Exchanges (IPE). This orientation will cover important topics such as registration and

enrollment, credits, health & safety, the IPE fee, and insurance. The orientation can be found on the IPE website at [http://www.ipe.washington.edu/domestic/online\\_orientation.html](http://www.ipe.washington.edu/domestic/online_orientation.html)

In addition, there will be a short zero credit preparatory seminar held in Fall 2008.

### **Travel**

Each participant is responsible for reservations and costs of travel to and from Chandigarh and for any personal travel or transportation around Chandigarh. Travel on required excursions within the program will be by van, bus or train and is included in the Program Fee.

### **Schedule**

The India Program will begin Jan 5, 2009 and end March 15, 2009. The program is intensive and the schedule at times may involve evening and weekend participation.

### **Student Eligibility**

Advanced undergraduate and graduate students in architecture and related fields are encouraged to apply. Program emphasis is on students preparing for professional careers in the built environment disciplines. Participants are selected on the basis of high scholarship, academic preparation, motivation, emotional maturity, and financial responsibility.

Students from non-design majors are also invited to apply. The studio credit will can be adjusted to individual research practicum depending on the student's major, at the discretion of the Program faculty.

A maximum of 12 students will be accepted. Participants should not plan to be accompanied by family members; exceptions require approval by program faculty.

The University of Washington provides equal opportunity in education without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, creed, sex, sexual orientation, age or disability in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and University of Washington policy.

### **How to apply:**

- 1. Fill out the attached application form.**
- 2. Submit transcripts from each college and/or university you have attended.** If you are a UW student, you may submit a photocopy of your transcript in your department file. Turn in all materials to the Rachel Ward in CAUP Dean's Office, 224 Gould Hall. When your application is accepted, a \$300 deposit will be charged to your student account. See **Program Costs** and **Payment Plan** below.

### **Application Deadline**

The deadline for application is Monday, May 26, 2008. Program applicants will be notified of acceptance or denial by Monday, June 3, 2008.

### **Program Costs**

The **program fee** for the AIR program is **\$4000**. This total includes the \$300 deposit, housing in Chandigarh, required museum entrance fees, and transportation and lodging on required field trips outside of Chandigarh. **No additional tuition has to be paid to the University of Washington.**

**Not included** are International Programs & Exchanges Office fee (see below), student health insurance, international airfare, food, personal pocket money, optional field trip costs, bus or taxi

fares in Chandigarh, travel documents and textbooks. Students should be prepared to purchase the majority of their supplies, as they would in Seattle. Students should budget their living expenses (food, personal needs and in-city travel) at about \$8 per day.

### **Office of international Programs & Exchanges (IPE)**

Students will be concurrently enrolled through the IPE Office (453 Schmitz Hall); a fee of \$200 for this will be charged to your Student Account. Participants in the program will be registered by IPE for Autumn Quarter in FSTDY 301 for undergraduates and FSTDY 501 for graduate students. Students will NOT be able to enroll themselves.

Concurrent Enrollment Forms should be submitted to IPE, 459 Schmitz Hall on or before December 1, 2008.

### **Payment Plan**

A \$300 deposit will be charged to your student account upon acceptance to the program. Applications should be turned in to Rachel Ward, College of Architecture and Urban Planning Dean's Office, 224 Gould Hall.

\$1500 will be charged to your account on Oct 1.

\$2200 will be charged to your account on Nov 1.

All payments will be payable to the University of Washington and will be made at Student Fiscal Services Office, 129 Schmitz Hall or electronically via MyUW.

### **Health Insurance**

We strongly recommended that you purchase some kind of health insurance. Students in University of Washington degree programs may purchase UW student insurance or other coverage; others may acquire proof of insurance through their families, etc. Currently, UW student health insurance is \$440 per quarter. Next year's rate will increase when insurance carrier rates increase. Insurance for Autumn Quarter or for the full year 2008–2009 must be purchased by September 1. University insurance is purchased from Office of International Programs and Exchanges (IPE), who can also give you information on other insurance carriers if you want to explore insurance other than the University's policy. Visit <http://ipe.washington.edu> for more information.

### **Financial Aid**

Most forms of financial aid may be used for this program. UW students should contact UW Financial Aid to verify that their awards will apply. Students interested in applying for increased financial aid during their quarter of study abroad should obtain a revision request from the Financial Aid office, and a budget of student expenses from the IPE office, and submit both to the Financial Aid office in Schmitz Hall.

Students receiving financial aid or scholarships are encouraged to set up direct deposit with the UW prior to departing for the program.

### **Refund Conditions**

If you are accepted to the program but withdraw prior to June 7, the application fee, less a \$50 handling fee, will be refunded. Any student withdrawing after June 7 will be liable for the \$50 handling fee and any non-recoverable payments already made or committed on behalf of the participant, which could range from \$500 to the entire Program Fee. Notice of withdrawal from the program must be made in writing to the program faculty and a copy provided to the CAUP Dean's Office.

**VISA**

Each student is responsible obtaining their own 6 month Tourist Visa. Visa requires a valid passport, involves a fee and can take up to a week (in some cases more) to process.

See: <http://indiavisa.travisaoutsourcing.com/>

**Changes in cost or scope of program**

In the event of significant devaluation of the dollar, some adjustments to program activities may be necessary. If such a change occurs, students will be notified of the changes in the program and options for the students will be given.

**Program Cancellation:** If viable enrollment is not reached by July 1, the program will be canceled and all money paid in, including the application fee, will be refunded.

**Questions about the program?:** Direct questions to Dr. Vikramaditya Prakash ([yprakash@u.washington.edu](mailto:yprakash@u.washington.edu)). My office is in room 130k, Architecture Hall.

**There will be an information session on Friday, May 2 @ 12:30 PM in Gould 208J.**

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**APPLICATION**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ UW Student # \_\_\_\_\_

email \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security # \_\_\_\_\_

Major \_\_\_\_\_ Expect to graduate (Month/year) \_\_\_\_\_

Current Address

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Current Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Until When? \_\_\_\_\_

Passport # \_\_\_\_\_ Citizenship \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

Note: You must apply for a student visa for India. Be sure to allow at least a month before leaving the U.S. for this process.

Permanent Address

\_\_\_\_\_

Name/Address/Phone # of person we can contact while you are abroad:

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How do you plan to finance the costs of the program?

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Will you be relying on Financial Aid? \_\_\_\_\_ Will you be purchasing UW student insurance? \_\_\_\_\_

(If not, you please provide proof of your own insurance; a xerox of a current coverage card or document will suffice. Please provide this proof with your application, and take it with you to Italy.)

University of Washington Status (check where appropriate)

Never before enrolled \_\_\_\_\_ Enrolled the quarter prior to Autumn 2008 \_\_\_\_\_

Undergraduate \_\_\_\_\_ Graduate \_\_\_\_\_ Non-matriculated \_\_\_\_\_

List all institutions that you have attended (starting with the most recent)

University or College	Location	Dates Attended	Degree
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On a separate sheet, provide a brief written statement of why have you applied to this program and the projected benefits of this experience to your course of study and long-term plans. Please be sure to put your name on this sheet, and staple it to your application.

List languages other than English, and level of competence.

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What courses have you taken which you think would contribute to your learning experience in India (i.e. language, history, art, or architecture classes)?

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List the names of the two academic references who are willing to provide a recommendation for you.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Please attach a copy of your transcript**

I have read the brochure and understand the conditions under which the programs are offered, including those which apply to payment and refund conditions.

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Return to:** Dean's Office, College of Architecture and Urban Planning  
Attn: Rachel Ward  
224 Gould Hall, Box 355726  
University of Washington, Seattle, WA 98195