

SCI-ARC

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SCI-Arc launches full-tuition scholarship for LAUSD students

Scholarship is intended for first-year Undergraduate students



Los Angeles, CA (November 30, 2016) – SCI-Arc is proud to announce a full-tuition scholarship for current Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) students. This scholarship is intended for first-year freshman, and is merit-based. It will be awarded for the 2017-2018 year, and can be extended to cover all 5 years of tuition, provided the student remains in the top 10% of their class. Applications are currently being accepted online, and are due by January 15, 2017.

“SCI-Arc is embedded in the fabric of Los Angeles. With this scholarship we are reaffirming our relationship to the city’s public education system,” says SCI-Arc Director Hernan Diaz Alonso. “We are proud of our well-rounded and rigorous Undergraduate program. A Bachelor of Architecture from SCI-Arc provides a creative way to see the

world not only in architectural terms, but in sociological, political and economic terms as well.”

SCI-Arc, located in the Arts District of Downtown Los Angeles, is one of the nation's only independent schools of architecture. With 500 students (250 of them undergraduates), it is a hub of public discourse, new technology, and speculation about the future of our great city and beyond. The SCI-Arc Undergraduate Degree (B.Arch.) is an accredited 5-year professional degree allowing graduates to become licensed professionals. While the curriculum is focused on creativity and design excellence, we are also committed to a broad liberal arts education.

The role of the architect in the 21st century has changed from one of technician and administrator to leader of large groups of professionals, stakeholders, and creative teams. Now more than ever, architects need to be able to think critically, argue their positions, and express their visions in a wide variety of contexts. Our liberal arts education-- which includes art history and theory, film history and theory, philosophy, new forms of science and models of nature, contemporary civilization and geopolitics, and rhetoric/ debate-- prepares students for this new, broader role in society. The mission of the SCI-Arc undergraduate education, through this combination of design excellence and the liberal arts, is to create students who will be the intellectual leaders of their generation.

Graduates of the SCI-Arc Undergraduate Program are highly sought-after, both by architectural offices around the world, as well as by the world's best graduate programs. The Program is ranked #2 in Undergraduate Programs Most Admired by Deans and Chairs in the 2017 DesignIntelligence survey.

Seniors interested in applying to SCI-Arc's LAUSD Full-Tuition Scholarship must be graduating in the summer of 2017 from a LAUSD High School. The student must apply before the January 15, 2017 deadline. There are no additional documents required other than a completed admissions application. A portfolio of work may be submitted but is not required. The review committee is looking for an exceptional LAUSD student who is highly motivated and committed in pursuing architecture. The LAUSD Scholarship winner will be announced in March 2017. If you have any questions about the scholarship please contact the Office of Admissions at [213.356.5320](tel:213.356.5320) or by e-mail admissions@sciarc.edu.

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About SCI-Arc

Southern California Institute of Architecture (SCI-Arc) is dedicated to educating architects who will imagine and shape the future. It is an independent, accredited degree-granting institution offering undergraduate and graduate programs in architecture. Located in a quarter-mile-long former freight depot in the Arts District in Downtown Los Angeles, the school is distinguished by its vibrant studio culture and emphasis on process. SCI-Arc's approximately 500 students and 80 faculty members, most of whom are practicing architects, work together to re-examine assumptions, create, explore and test the limits of architecture. SCI-Arc faculty and leadership have garnered more than 500 national and international design awards and recognitions, including Progressive Architecture awards, American Institute of Architects (AIA) awards, and the prestigious Jencks and Pritzker architecture prizes.