



# Internship Programs

# European Architecture Internship Programs

Designed for US university partners seeking academically rigorous, credit-bearing internship programs in architecture and the built environment.

Our internship programs combine professional internship within architectural practices with a structured academic framework, integrated housing, cultural engagement, and dedicated in-country support.

**Typical cohort size:**  
5-20 students per intake.

Semester and summer length internships available

## OUR LOCATIONS

### **Dublin, Ireland**

A fast-evolving European capital where historic Georgian architecture sits alongside contemporary design and large-scale urban regeneration.

### **Prague, Czech Republic**

One of Europe's most distinctive architectural environments, combining historic preservation with progressive urban design and public space development.

### **Rethymno (Crete), Greece**

A distinctive architectural environment shaped by Mediterranean context, combining historic preservation, contemporary development, and a strong emphasis on construction-led practice.



## PROGRAM FEES

Program fees reflect the integrated nature of the experience, combining professional internship, academic structure, housing, and full in-country support.

### **Semester Programs**

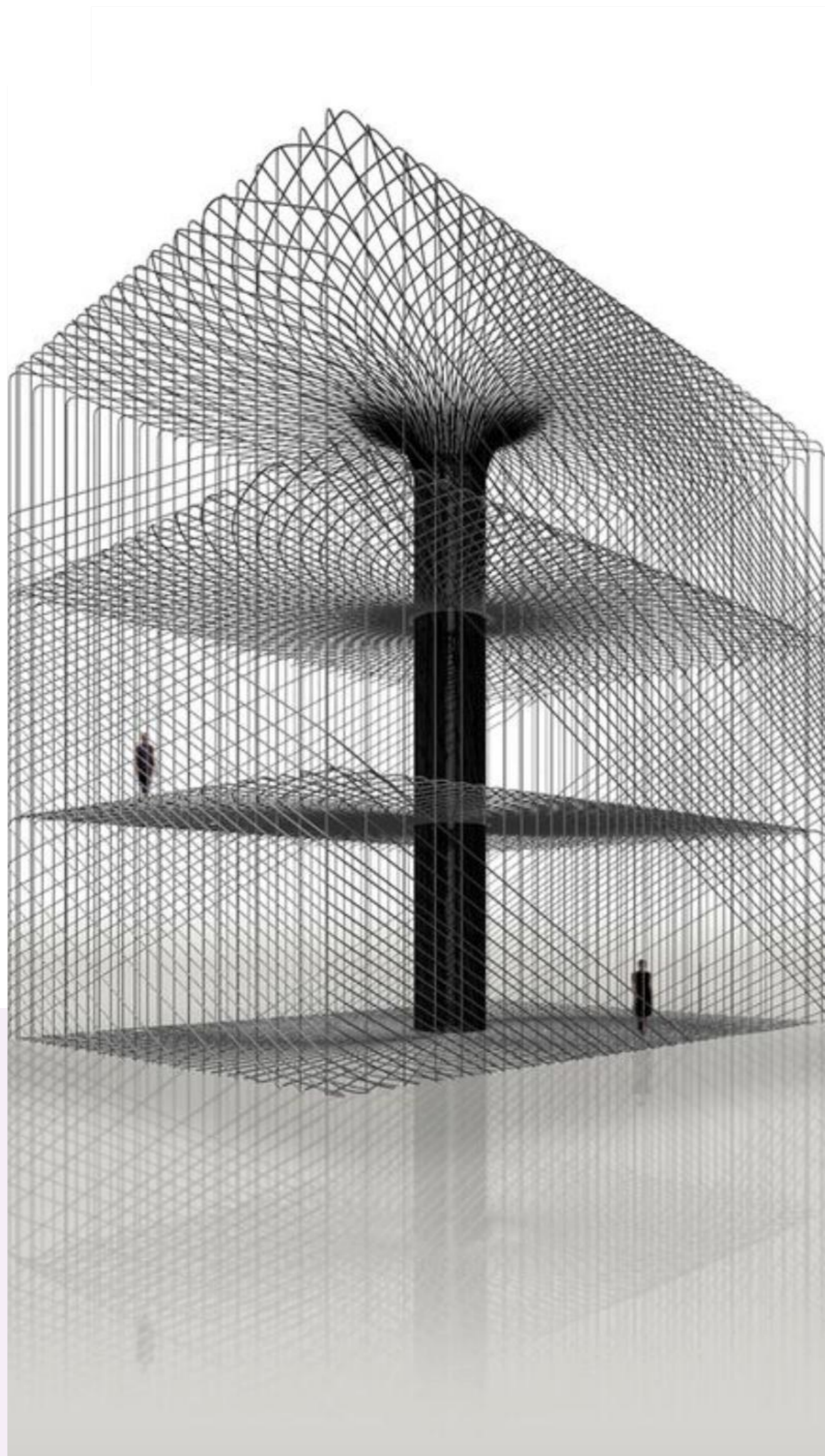
**15**  
weeks

- Dublin: \$20,000
- Prague: \$17,000
- Rethymno (Crete): \$15,000

### **Summer Programs**

**6-8**  
weeks

- Dublin: \$12,000
- Prague: \$10,000
- Rethymno (Crete): \$9,000



# Program Experience

Alongside their professional internship, students benefit from a structured program designed to support both academic development and contextual understanding of architecture in each location.

Students typically complete:

- 20-25 hours per week in internship
- 5-10 hours per week of structured academic learning



## Guided site visits

Students explore key architectural and urban projects, linking their internship work to the wider built environment



## Industry exposure

Visits to additional architectural practices and studios which provide insight into different working methods, project types and professional approaches.



## Cultural context and built environment learning

Students develop an understanding of how architecture responds to local culture, climate, materials and history, strengthening their global perspective.

## Excursions and local experiences

Programs include optional excursions and cultural activities, allowing students to explore surrounding regions and engage more broadly with the local environment.



## Architecture-led city exploration

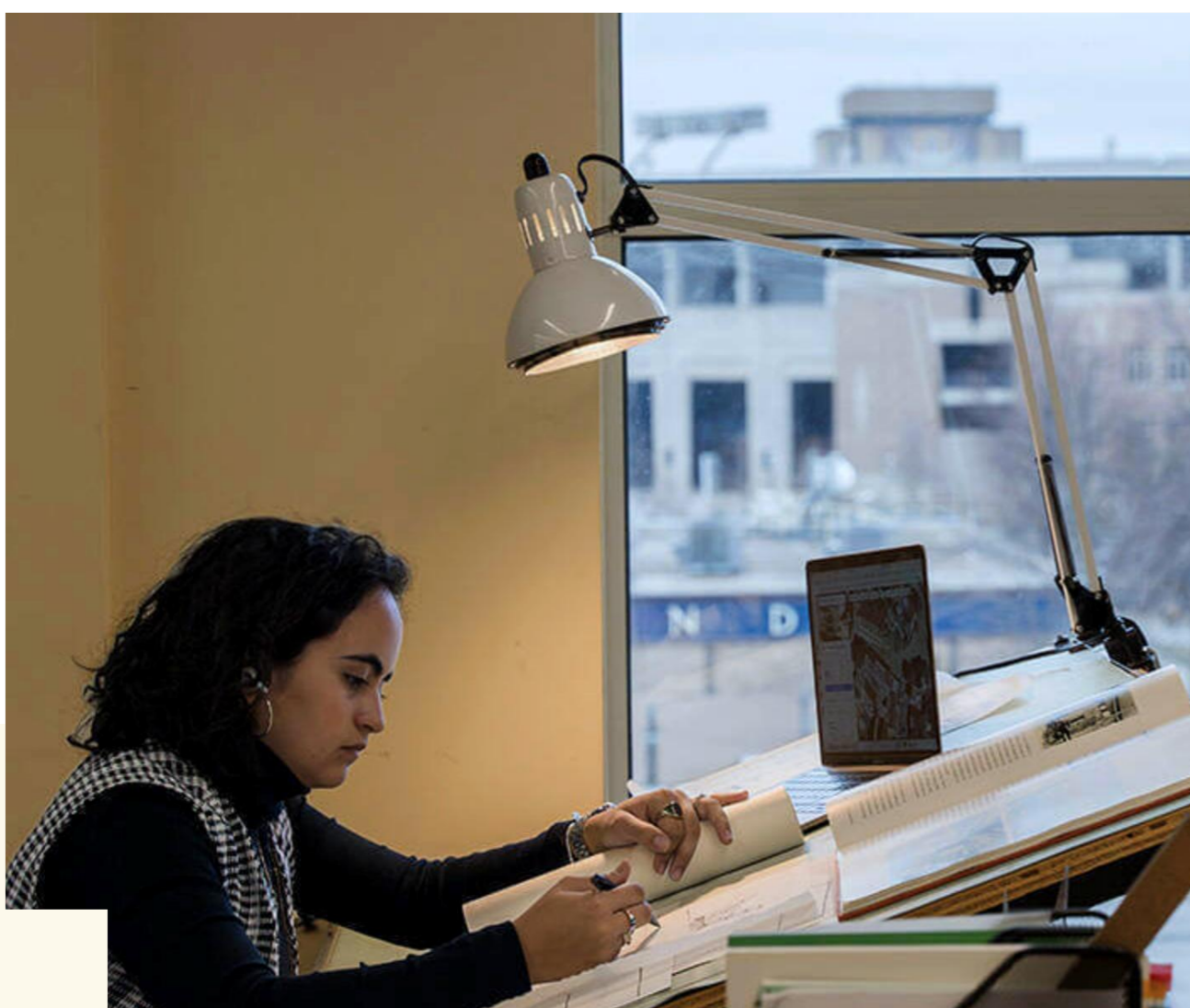
Students are supported to engage with the city as a living case study, examining urban form, planning strategies, and architectural identity.

# Academic Integration & Learning Outcomes

The academic component is integrated with the internship and delivered through a combination of supervision, guided learning, and applied tasks. This ensures students gain experience and critically engage with their work in an academic context.

Structured learning includes:

- Supervised reflection on professional practice and project work
- Portfolio development based on real projects and outputs
- Site and urban analysis linked to internship activity
- Exposure to thematic areas such as sustainability and regional architectural approaches
- Defined learning outcomes aligned to architecture programs
- Final assessed output



## STRUCTURED ACADEMIC COMPONENT

Weekly seminars delivered by industry professionals ensure that practical experience is supported by critical reflection and applied learning.

This includes:

- Professional practice reflection and workplace learning analysis
- Portfolio development based on real project contributions
- Architectural documentation and technical skill development
- Site and urban analysis linked to internship work
- Exposure to tools and workflows such as BIM, CAD and visualization
- Official documentation to support credit transfer (final approval determined by home institution)

## HOUSING

Housing is located within a short commuting distance to host organisations (typically a 20 minute commute), ensuring a practical and high-quality living experience.

- Single bedrooms within shared apartments or residences
- Fully furnished accommodation with shared living spaces
- Centrally located or well-connected housing



# Core Program Experience

An integrated experience combining professional exposure, site-based learning and cultural context to understand architecture in practice.

## ORIENTATION

- Local area induction and practical guidance
- Transport systems and commuting support
- Introduction to internship expectations and local environment
- Safety and local awareness

## EXCURSIONS & LOCAL EXPERIENCES

- Optional excursions and regional visits
- Cultural activities linked to local context
- Opportunities for independent and group exploration

## CULTURAL & EXPERIENTIAL PROGRAM



### Guided site visits

Exploration of key architectural and urban projects, including regeneration areas, historic districts and contemporary developments.



### Architecture-Led City Analysis

Structured, coordinator-led exploration of the city as a case study in architecture and urban design.



### Industry Exposure

Visits to architectural studios and practices to broaden professional understanding.



### Cultural Context & Built Environment Learning

Understanding how architecture responds to local culture, materials, climate and history.

# Student Support, Wellbeing & Mental Health

Students benefit from a comprehensive support model combining structured pre-departure preparation with dedicated in-country support throughout the program.



## PRE-DEPARTURE SUPPORT

Support begins prior to travel, ensuring students are well prepared both practically and mentally for their experience abroad.

- Pre-departure guidance covering travel, accommodation, and program expectations
- Structured preparation to help students understand the realities of living and working in a new environment
- Guidance on managing expectations and adapting to unfamiliar cultural and professional settings
- Optional reflective preparation (e.g. journaling) to encourage students to think about personal goals, challenges, and development

Students are encouraged to approach the experience with a realistic mindset, recognizing that studying or interning abroad involves natural periods of adjustment, challenge, and growth, which are a normal and valuable part of the process.

## IN-COUNTRY SUPPORT

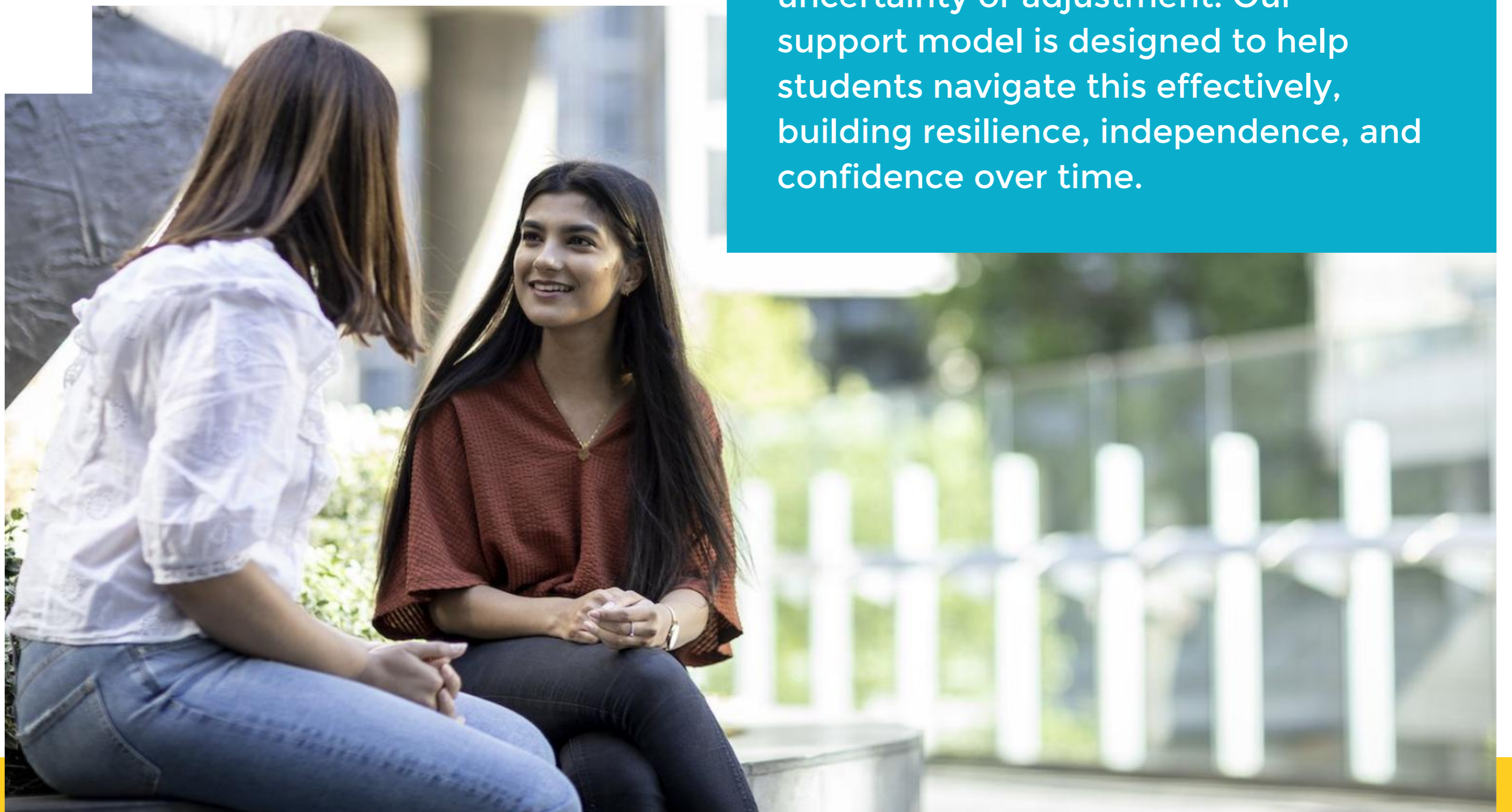
- Dedicated in-country team throughout the program
- Regular individual check-ins
- Academic and professional monitoring
- Assistance with housing and day-to-day needs
- Access to local services where required

Students are supported through both the positive and more challenging aspects of the experience, with staff available to guide them through periods of adjustment and ensure they remain engaged and progressing.



## 24/7 EMERGENCY SUPPORT

- Continuous emergency contact
- Local response capability
- Clear escalation procedures



## MENTAL HEALTH & WELLBEING

Student wellbeing is a central priority. Our approach recognizes that the experience of living and working abroad is not always linear.

While social media often presents an idealized version of study abroad, the reality includes a range of experiences, from initial excitement to periods of uncertainty or adjustment. Our support model is designed to help students navigate this effectively, building resilience, independence, and confidence over time.

## WHAT'S INCLUDED






-  Professional internship within an architectural practice
-  Structured academic program with supervision and assessment
-  Housing (single room within shared apartment or equivalent)
-  Airport transfers on arrival
-  Orientation and induction program
-  Initial cultural activities and site visits
-  Ongoing pastoral and wellbeing support
-  Dedicated in-country program team
-  24/7 emergency contact and support
-  Program coordination and monitoring

## WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- × Travel and health insurance (mandatory) Flights
- × Meals and daily living expenses
- × Optional activities



## THIS PROGRAM OFFERS:

-  Direct professional experience within European architectural practice
-  A structured, credit-bearing academic framework
-  Location-aligned housing with single rooms
-  Integrated pastoral, academic and wellbeing support
-  A practical and immersive introduction to international architectural practice