

Learn how to join

Architecture



- Considered as one the chic professions and looked as a profession for elite class students, architecture has changed tremendously in the last couple of decades where demographic set up of students has gone through tremendous changes; and, students from varied social background, disciplines, and streams have come to join Architecture colleges.
- Career in Architecture is attractive, high paying, and has lots of potential in terms of growth



How to start?



- As architects study planning and designing of building and structures, a mental inclination and orientation is necessary to move forward in the career of Architecture.
- Most of the Architecture colleges in India offer education in Architecture at undergraduate level and students with Mathematics at +2 level are preferred.
- Preparations for an All Indian Entrance Exam can be started soon after 10th Class.

Education & Experience

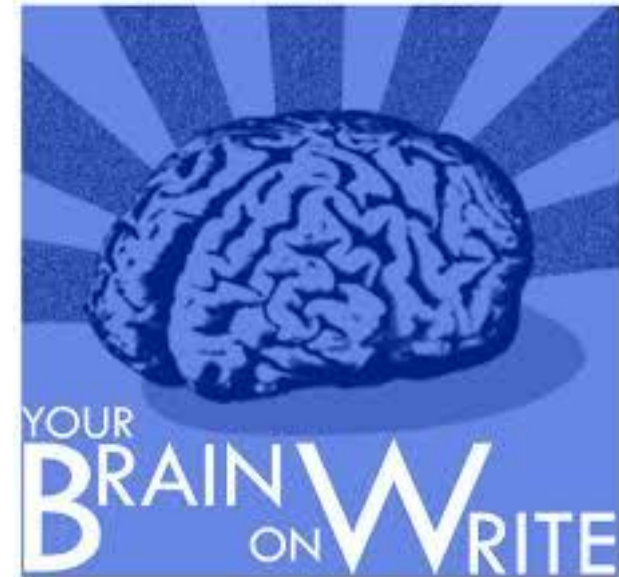
- It is the right credentials in academics which matters most wherein candidates with physics, Mathematics and chemistry at the 10+2 level only can apply for admission to study architecture at the graduate level
- Various Colleges offer undergraduate course in B.Arch. which last for 5 years through an entrance exam conducted by the council of Architecture throughout India.
- Similarly, some private college offering courses in architecture have their own criteria which are based on + 2 marks of Students



Is it the Right profession for me?

You have to critically self-evaluate your skill, desire and potential.

- You need to have sound communication skills, excellent memory, sound concentration level, patience, team spirit, responsibility and accountability are some personal traits essential for professional success in architecture and design.
- Moreover, you need to have excellent sense for good design that can translate ideas onto paper.



What would it Cost me ?

Various private and government college in India offer B.Arch. course which last for 4 years.

- The government aided colleges charge a nominal fee which can be any amount in the range Rs 1,60,000- 2,30,000 for full course.
- The Private college fee will be expensive between Rs 2,00,000- 3,50,000 range for full course.
- Candidate can opt a diploma course range between Rs 30,000- 2,00,000 for full course.



Funding/Scholarship

- Various institutes and organizations/memorials offers scholarship for Architecture course
- 60 National Overseas scholarships are offered to students belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.

Job Prospects

Architecture provides wide range of career options in construction companies including a option as working independently.

A professional course in Architecture opens doors for a career both in Private and Govt Sector such as

- Architect Commercial Designer
- Archaeological Department
- Town and Country Planning
- Housing and Urban Development
- Local Bodies of Construction work
- Builders
- Architecture Firms



Designer



Town Planning



Builders



Housing

Pay Packet



- Starting salary for a Architect professional could be between Rs 20,000 and 30,000 range.
- After 5 Years of work experience a professional can expect higher salary in the range of Rs 50,000 to Rs 1,00,000 per month.

Demand and Supply

There is a acute shortage of trained architects who can fulfill the current requirement. Moreover due to huge demand of urbanization, industrialization and increased demand of accommodation the Private construction companies are willing to pay hefty salaries.

Market Watch

- A great demand is coming up for architects specialized in urban designing, regional planning etc.
- Numerous international acclaimed construction companies provide employment opportunities who are willing to explore career outside India
- Besides the architects who have done specialization course in architectural conservation, industrial design landscape architecture etc too have bright career prospects in the countries like USA



Positives/Negatives



Like any career option, architecture has its own pros and cons.

- There is too much job pressure, odd working hours and too much expectations etc.
- Ambitious architects have higher job prospects provided they are willing to change their location and do not have preference in terms of work location.
- However an architect will have an individual identity, higher salaries, growth prospect and international exposure etc that provides job satisfaction, name and fame to live with.

Different Roles, Different Names

Various job profiles in Architecture:

- Architecture Engineer
- Architecture Designer
- Architect
- Interior Designer

Tips for Getting Hired

- The top most priority for an architect should be to get an on-the-job training that provides much needed exposure to get practical hand in architecture and job in an architectural company.
- Internship programs with architects, structural engineers, or building designers help in enriching profile
- Similarly candidates should start building a portfolio with working drawings for design projects that can be shown during interview to mark credibility..



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