



Ten good reasons to study Architecture at Ion Mincu University

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"Ion Mincu" University of Architecture
and Urbanism, Bucharest, Romania



Architecture

English taught single-cycle programme, six years of full-time study, 360 ECTS

Qualification level 7 EQF (Master)

Diploma of Architect recognized for professional practice in EU and UK

The English taught Architecture Degree Programme course offers a dynamic and friendly environment where students are encouraged and inspired to learn and think creatively, to reach their potential for employment in architectural design and other creative activities. We aim to maintain collaboration between academia and professional practice, as well as our rich international contacts, and we believe that this is the right formula for success for our students. Our combination of experienced staff and young dynamic professionals is stimulating for student motivation and our students work hard in a relaxed and creative environment.

Since September 2008, the Diploma of Architect, awarded by the Ion Mincu University of Architecture and Urbanism is recognized for free movement and professional practice in the member states of EU, in accordance with Directive 2005/36/EC (2013/55/EC) of the European Parliament and of the Council on the recognition of professional qualifications.

The periodical evaluations by RIBA (Royal Institute of British Architects) started in 1998, have consistently validated the Diploma of Architect awarded by the School of Architecture of the Ion Mincu University of Architecture and Urbanism, allowing the graduates to be exempted from the RIBA examinations Part One and Part Two in view of the registration in ARB (Architects Registration Board) for professional practice in the UK.

Architectural design is the main component of the training. The curriculum maintains a balance between theoretical and practical aspects, being focused on the acquisition of the knowledge, skills and competences which are essential for the professional practice of architects, in line with the provisions of Article 46 (Training of architects) of the Directive 2013/55/EC.

The training of architects on this course reflects the new developments in architectural education, in particular with respect to the recognized need to supplement academic training with profes-

sional experience under the supervision of qualified architects. Therefore, the curriculum also includes internships in design studios, in Romania or abroad. The International Internships Office of the university offers a large range of international internships for students.

The academic year usually starts on October 1st and lasts until the middle of July. Students are required to enrol for each year of study; enrolment is usually scheduled for the first ten days of October.

Teaching is structured in two semesters of study. In addition to the continuous assessment during the semester, there are two examination terms, in January-February and in June-July. In September, a third assessment term is set for the modules in the 2nd semester.

Study trips in Romania and abroad are organized each year, usually during the spring term.

The graduation project (dissertation, diploma project) is guided by tutor(s). The diploma projects are assessed by international juries which generally meet in July (first session) and March (second session).

Student accommodation is provided in Tei Hall for 65 euros per month. Additionally, the new and modern Larisa Hall is under construction.

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4.

OUR GRADUATES ACHIEVE OUTSTANDING RESULTS AND ARE HIGHLY EMPLOYABLE

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Over 90% of the graduates of the Ion Mincu School of Architecture enter employment or further studies within 6 months of graduating. Many of them are successful architects in different countries of the world. To find out about some of our successful alumni and where they are now, please visit the dedicated gallery.

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**YOU WILL DEVELOP THE COMPETENCES AND SKILLS YOU NEED TO
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You'll be given the opportunity to participate in international student competition organized by our School. Moreover, you'll be offered the chance to take on a work experience placement in design studios practicing in Romania, in other countries of Europe and in the world. You'll also enjoy the opportunity to learn a foreign language for free during your studies.

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YOU'LL ENJOY TUITION IN SMALL STUDY GROUPS

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By tradition, our School delivers a deeper, more personal education through smaller tuition groups working in designated design studio spaces while your dedicated Tutor will help guide you through your studies towards a successful career.

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OUR CLOSE LINKS WITH INTERNATIONAL HIGH STANDARD PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE WILL GIVE YOU INVALUABLE REAL-WORLD EXPERIENCE

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The academic training make capital out of the professional experience of our own teaching staff and our visiting professionals. Most of the teachers have their own design practice. World-renowned practicing architects – like Alvaro Siza, Mario Botta, Vittorio Gregotti, Françoise Choay, Richard Meyer, Luigi Snozzi, Alexandros Tombazis and many others – gave and give lectures in our School. The graduation projects are assessed by international juries, including prestigious professors and practicing architects from different countries and continents.

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YOU'LL BE OFFERED THE CHANCE TO STUDY A SEMESTER ABROAD

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Our University has currently about 70 ongoing exchange programs with universities in Europe, United States and South America, under Erasmus and bilateral cooperation agreements.

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THE LOCATION OF THE SCHOOL COULDN'T BE BETTER

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Our School is hosted in the historic building of the School of Architecture (1912-1927, neo-Romanian style, a landmark of the city) set at the heart of Bucharest. Everything you need - from shops to restaurants and nightlife - is in walking distance. Bucharest is a vibrant city, with an interesting architectural and urbanistic character, and you're some 2 hours and a half drive from the beaches of the Black Sea and bustle of Mamaia, and some 2 hours from the mountain ski resorts.

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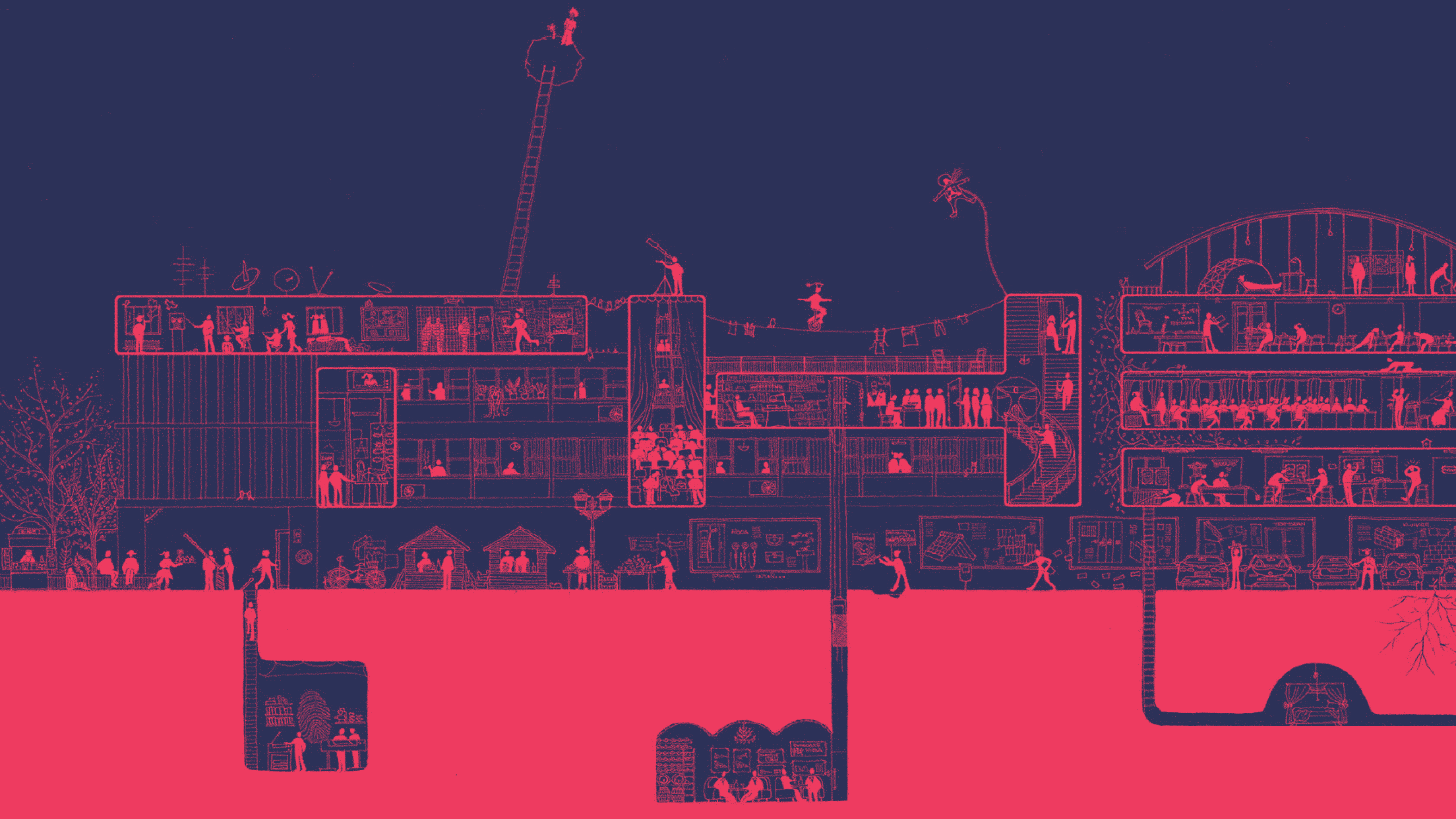


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YOU'LL HAVE AN UNFORGETTABLE STUDENT EXPERIENCE

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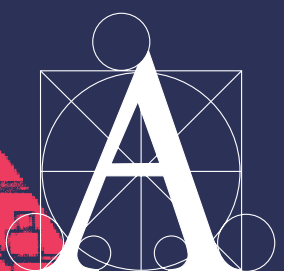
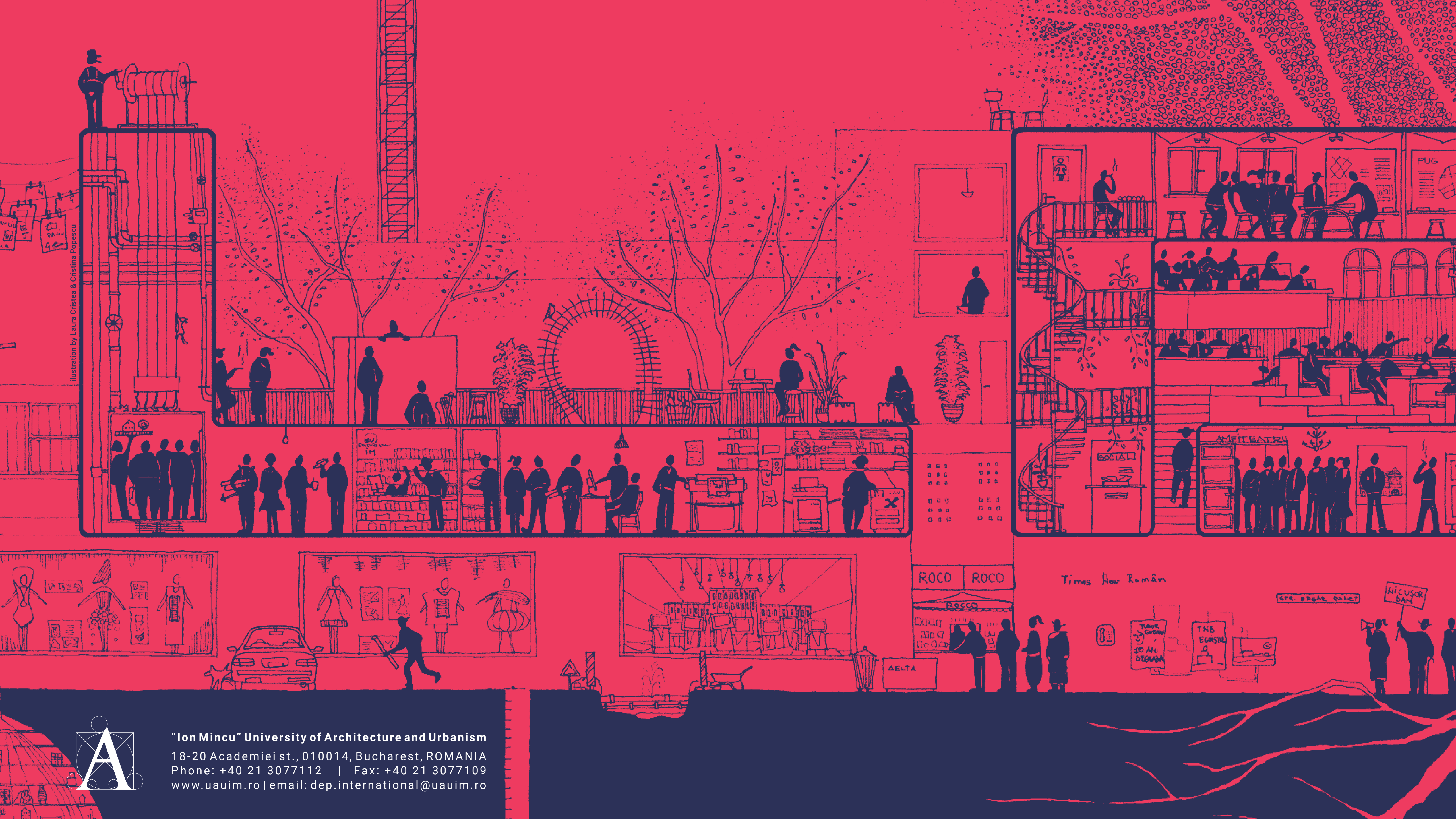
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And if that wasn't enough, it's good to know that many of our academics also undertake design and research works awarded in national and international competitions. They help to inform our teaching and benefit our students.







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