Students who graduate with an architecture degree from University of Michigan start their career with employers across the U.S. and abroad. The education of an architect opens up many possibilities and doors. Architecture firms that cover all ranges of size and project types employ many. Those alums can go on to become licensed architects and/or manage, own or start a firm. Some graduates pursue careers in related disciplines like construction management, real estate development, engineering or planning. Others become designers for companies that specialize in experiential architecture, UI/UX, or product design.

The Career and Professional Development staff offer a variety of career programs, activities and resources for students, including workshops, panel discussions, alumni career presentations, information sessions about requirements to become a licensed architect, an alternate spring break experience, and a career fair. Students may also meet one-on-one with staff to explore career options available with their degree, map out a plan for identifying and securing a job or internship, and improving their job search strategies and skills. The University of Michigan is one of the few architecture schools that has in-house career staff.

98% of recent B.S. graduates reported being employed or continuing their education. 76% are employed. 2% are seeking employment. 22% are continuing education.

U-M maintains one of the largest alumni networks in the world with more than 10,800 living Taubman College alumni working in every state across the country, as well as in 75 countries.
SPRING BREAK CONNECTIONS EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM

This program is held each year during the University of Michigan spring break for students to make connections between the academic and professional worlds of architecture. Career and Professional Development staff place students in firms, based on student preferences. Firms who agree to host a student are asked to engage their student in a variety of activities to further their student’s understanding of the practice of architecture.

Each year, more than 200 firms host students across the country. Many former Michigan students who participated in the program now serve as hosts to current students. The experience illustrates the world of possibilities that await Taubman College students after graduation.

A Sample of Externship Host Firms:

A+I
ABA Studio
AgencyEA
Alexander Gorlin
Allied Works
Angelini & Associates
Ann Arbor Architects Collaborative
Architecture Outfit
ARD
Arquitectonica
Ball-Nogues
BAR Architects
Baxt Ingui
BCJ
Bergmeyer Associates
Beyer Blinder Belle
bkL
Booth Hansen
Callison/RTKL
Cambridge Seven
Campion Platt
Cannon Design
CBT
Charles Rose
CO Architects
Contemporary Architecture Practice
Cook Architectural Studio
Cooper Carry
Cunningham + Quill
Damian Farrell
Daniels + Zermaek
David Cunningham
Deborah Berke and Partners
DLR
DXA
EHDD
Ehrlich Architects
Ennead
Fabrica 718
Farr Associates
Fentress
FR-EE
Freyer Collaborative
FXFowle
Gensler
Gettys
GH Forbes
Ghafari
Gluckman Tang
Goettsch Partners
Griffin Enright
GSR Andrade
G-Tects
Hacin + Associates
Hamilton Anderson
Handel Architects
Harley Ellis Deveraux
HDR
Henning Larsen
HGA
HKS
HLW
Hobbs + Black
HOK
Holabird & Root
HopkinsBurns Design Studio
HuntonBrady
HWKN
inFORM Studio
Integrated Architecture
Integrated Design Solutions
Iwamoto Scott
Jacobs
JGMA
John Ronan
Johnston Mark Lee
Killefer Flammang
Korth Sunseri Hagey
KPF
Kraemer Design Group
Krueck + Sexton
Kuth Ranieri
LMN
Leddy Maytum Stacy
Lorcan O’Herlihy
Lord Aeck Sargent
LSM
LTL
Lundberg Design
M Moser
MADE
Manning Architects
MAP Architects
Marble Fairbanks
Mark Cavagnero
Mark English
Marmol Radziner
Mapos
Maryann Thompson
McCall Design Group
McIntosh Paris
Meadowlark Builders
Michael Maltzan
Miller Hull
MODU
Montroy Andersen DeMarco
Morphosis
M-Rad Architecture
MSB
Myefski Architects
NADAAA
NBBJ
Neumann Smith
Northworks
O/X Studio
OKW Architects
Olson Kundig
Pappageorge/Haymes
Payette
Perkins + Will
Perkins Eastman
Populous
PORT Urbanism
ProgressiveAE
Quinn Evans
RadLab
REX
Rios Clementi Hale
Risinger and Associates
RMA
RLN/Stantec
Robert A.M. Stern
Ronnette Riley
Ross Barney
Rossetti
Saffle
SALA
Sarah Tombaugh
Selldorf Architects
Shepley Bulfinch
SHOP
Shubin + Donaldson
Situ Studio
SmithGroupJJR
Smith-Miller Hawkinson
SMNG-A
Snøhetta
SO-IL
Solomon Cordwell Buenz
SOM
Spector Group
SSD
Stanley Saitowitz/Natoma
Steven Yang
Studio Daniel Libeskind
Studio Dwell
Studio Gang
Studio SUMO
Studio Works
Suk Design Group
Synecdoche
TAD Associates
TMAP
Touloukian Touloukian
TowerPinkster
UM Hospital Facilities
Urban Lab
Urban Works
Valerio Dewalt Train
Vinci Hamp
VOA
Walker Warner
Weinstein A/U
Wheelbar Kears
Wight & Company
William Rawn
Workshop APD
Worn Jerabek Wiltsie
WSIDIA
WXI Architecture
Zago Architecture
ZGF

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SERVICES OFFERED:
Spring Break Connections Externship Program
Career Fair
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AXP/ARE Information Sessions
Career Workshops and Panel Discussions
Portfolio and Resume Reviews by Professionals
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Of the 15 largest architecture firms in the country, 14 have Michigan alumni in leadership positions

95% of recent B.S. graduates reported that their current position is related to their degree