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SCI-Arc Launches Groundbreaking Bachelor of Science in Design Program



Damjan Jovanovic, Discovery, SCI-Arc Gallery, installation view

Los Angeles, CA (November 16, 2023) – SCI-Arc is thrilled to announce the launch of its new undergraduate program, Bachelor of Science in Design, commencing in the fall of 2024.* The four-year BS Design program will prepare students to deploy a wide array of digital design skills with keen cultural, visual, and technological sensibilities that are in demand across many rapidly growing industries, such as film, gaming, and data-based environments.

SCI-Arc's BS Design combines a comprehensive academic education with training in a broad set of sought-after creative digital skills, under continuous mentoring by trailblazing practitioners. The program builds on SCI-Arc's design pedagogy that stimulates pathfinding and growth within a collaborative, adventurous environment of cross-disciplinary learning and bold experimentation.

BS Design at SCI-Arc comprises a two-year Foundation Sequence and a two-year Track Sequence

where students can specialize in either Data Environments, Film + Narrative, or Games + Interaction. The program educates students to approach complex missions in nimble ways and to conceptualize and execute design thinking attuned to post-digital economies and societies—be it a data tool for urban innovation, a set of assets for virtual production, or a concept for an immersive digital environment.

Undergraduate programs at SCI-Arc produce graduates who are savvy, broad-thinking, and primed to become cultural innovators and industry leaders, emerging with sophisticated portfolios of work that make them competitive in design, architecture, and many adjacent industries. B.Arch and BS Design students are poised to establish their own practices, enter top international design offices, or continue on to higher education in the world's most competitive graduate programs.

For more information about the Bachelor of Science in Design program, visit the SCI-Arc website.

*Pending WSCUC Approval (2023-2024)

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 reexamine 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. In *DesignIntelligence*'s 2019 US survey, SCI-Arc ranked #2 in Design Technologies, #3 Most Hired From, and was top ten among the nation's Most Admired Undergraduate Programs in Architecture. SCI-Arc is located at 960 E. 3rd Street, Los Angeles, CA 90013. www.sciarc.edu