

R V COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE, BANGALORE - FORGING NEW FUTURES

In the realm of the pluralistic present, technological literacy and an ever-evolving world, architecture dwells along a vast spectrum ranging from abstract thinking to tangible manifestation. As an amalgamation of arts and sciences and the complexity of bringing together people in time and place, architectural education should seek to be transformative of individuals and built environments.

At R V College of Architecture (RVCA), academia is an ideal and unfettered setting for creative exploration and expression in conversation with the crafting and negotiation of forces regulating the profession. Our pedagogic objectives centre around imparting practical skills and unravelling theoretical positions in an academic environment where our students can find meaning in their expression.

Under the able Rastreeya Shiksha Samithi Trust (RSST), RVCA and its sister institutions are coveted for their astute and empathetic practices in education and are renowned for their focus on academic rigor and holistic development of young adults. Our management is the wind beneath our wings and has been instrumental in crafting our institution to be amongst the best in the country.

With close to thirty years of service, exploring the best teaching-learning practices and offering quality architectural education, RVCA has evolved and grown to emerge as one of the most important architectural education institutions in the country.

Along with its Undergraduate program (B.Arch), RVCA also offers a Postgraduate program (M.Arch in Urban Design) and Doctoral programs (PhD in Architecture). RVCA is also facilitated by State and Central Government agencies for scholarships to

deserving students. The programs offered at RVCA are approved by the Council of Architecture and affiliated to the Visvesvaraya Technological University, Belagavi (VTU).

Our Postgraduate program (M.Arch in Urban Design) has grown in strength since its inception in 2006, to become a repository of knowledge of lesser studied cities and towns. The course positions itself at the intersection of architecture and urbanity, questioning and strategically understanding urban design through different lenses.

Our faculty both permanent and visiting remain at the core of learning at RVCA. Their diverse interests, specialisations and range of experience from all across the country and world is the bedrock of our institution. Our visiting faculty help integrate knowledge and experience from professional practice into studio learning. Our faculty also organise seminars, workshops, lectures, design studio reviews and interaction with resource people for intellectual stimulation and perspective out of pure academia, stressing on informal learning and learning outside of prescribed frameworks.

Our campus and infrastructure are unmatched in facilities, and is designed as a microcosm for meaningful engagement of students, faculty and nature. Our studios and lecture halls are equipped with advanced teaching aids and are important as our playground, hostels, kund, open air theatre, steps and lawns, which are an ideal setting for moments of celebration, introspection, the daily mundane and learning outside the formal confines of the studio.

Inter-disciplinary learning is essential to our vision and our campus also boasts off cutting edge facilities such as the Geographical Information System (GIS) Lab, Non-Destructive Testing Lab, Climatology Lab, Digital Workstations Lab and our state-of-the-art Computer Lab equipped with the latest software and resource persons. Our library is a treasure trove of knowledge with painstakingly curated sections which aim to expose the students to interdisciplinary learning and critical thinking.

The institution's support for our students extends beyond the campus bounds. The Placement Cell actively facilitates, counsels and networks with the profession to provide



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Prof. Bawane has been providing academic leadership to the architectural program at R V College of architecture with his vision and strength in multi-disciplinary capacity.

An alumnus of NIT, Bhopal and IIT Roorkee, Prof. Bawane has been member of various academic bodies and eminent architectural Institutions and Universities.

Dr. Bawane has been a visiting professor to many renowned architectural colleges to deliver talks on areas and his expertise which includes Climatic design, Sustainable Architecture, Architectural Lighting, Building Services and Construction Management.

internship opportunities to its students and professional positions for alumni.

The academic rigor instilled at RVCA makes our alumni and students highly sought after for internships and practice. Also, the nature of learning and exposure to architecture and allied fields provides the ideal platform for students who continue to pursue prospects in the realm of the built environment or diversify into allied fields. Our alumni are a reflection of our perseverance for quality. RVCA alumni have gone to complete their Postgraduation in the best institutions, holding important positions and adding value to the profession through practice and research in prestigious architectural studios and institutions in India and across the globe.

At RV College of Architecture, we believe that architectural education is a process of self-discovery and transformation. Our vision is that architecture should be explored as a multipronged process of engagement of critical thinking, crafting creative solutions, exposing and exploring processes over product, empowerment of self and others, and ultimately enriching the field of architecture itself. At RVCA we are committed to the cause of architectural education in an academic landscape that encourages questioning the status quo and forging newer and more imaginative futures.

