

## M. ARCH PROGRAM IN URBAN DESIGN

RV College of Architecture, Bengaluru offers Post graduate (M. Arch in Urban Design) approved by Council of Architecture affiliated to Visveswaraya Technological University (VTU), Belagavi, Karnataka, India. The M.Arch program is spread over 2 academic years/4 semesters approximately 16 working weeks each inclusive of 8 weeks of practical training in a professional office.

### COURSE OBJECTIVES

- Introducing multidimensional aspects of urbanism to facilitate nuanced readings and interpretations of the urban milieu in India
- Supporting research and instilling academic rigor in the study, critique and design of urban environs.
- Promoting hands- on approach to understanding and engaging with urban issues.
- Mentoring students to become skilled, conscientious and ethical professionals.

### ADMISSIONS

Candidate can apply for admission to M. Arch (Urban Design) through the following modes:

- PGETA (Post Graduate Entrance Test in Architecture) conducted by the Council of Architecture for admissions to Master of Architecture (M.Arch) programs in India. The candidate needs to qualify PGETA Entrance test for admission to Postgraduate Programme in Architecture. for more information visit <https://www.coa.gov.in/>
- KEA Counselling: Candidates fulfilling the eligibility criteria are required enrol themselves with the Karnataka Examination Authority (KEA). For more details visit <http://kea.kar.nic.in>
- Management Quota (Limited seats available): Candidates fulfilling the eligibility criteria may contact the Principal or the Associate Dean, PG Studies.



## MANAGEMENT

For three decades, RV College of Architecture (RVCA) has earned its reputation as an institution firmly ingrained in pedagogy revolving around academics, research and consultancy. The college is a part of a reputed group of institutions run by Rashtreeya Sikshana Samithi Trust (RSST), Bengaluru. The Trust is headed by a visionary leader, Dr M P Shyam and managed by eminent personalities like Dr. (h.c) A V S Murthy, Hon Secretary; Sri. D P Nagaraj, Hon Joint Secretary; Sri. Nikhil S Murthy, Hon Asst. Secretary; Sri. P S Venkatesh Babu, Hon Treasurer and Sri. KS Akhilesh Babu, the Hon Chairman of RVCA Governing Council.

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## URBAN DESIGN AT RVCA

Indian cities are undergoing rapid growth and transformation, posing new challenges and opportunities for urbanists in reading and theorizing the city. We at RVCA are constantly seeking new approaches to engage with the discipline of Urban Design. The classrooms and studios provide vibrant discursive spaces for faculty and students to debate and manifest varied visions for livable and inclusive Indian cities. Urban Design Research and Consultancy Cell (UDRCC) engage students with real time academia, research and professional training opportunities.

## ACHIEVEMENTS

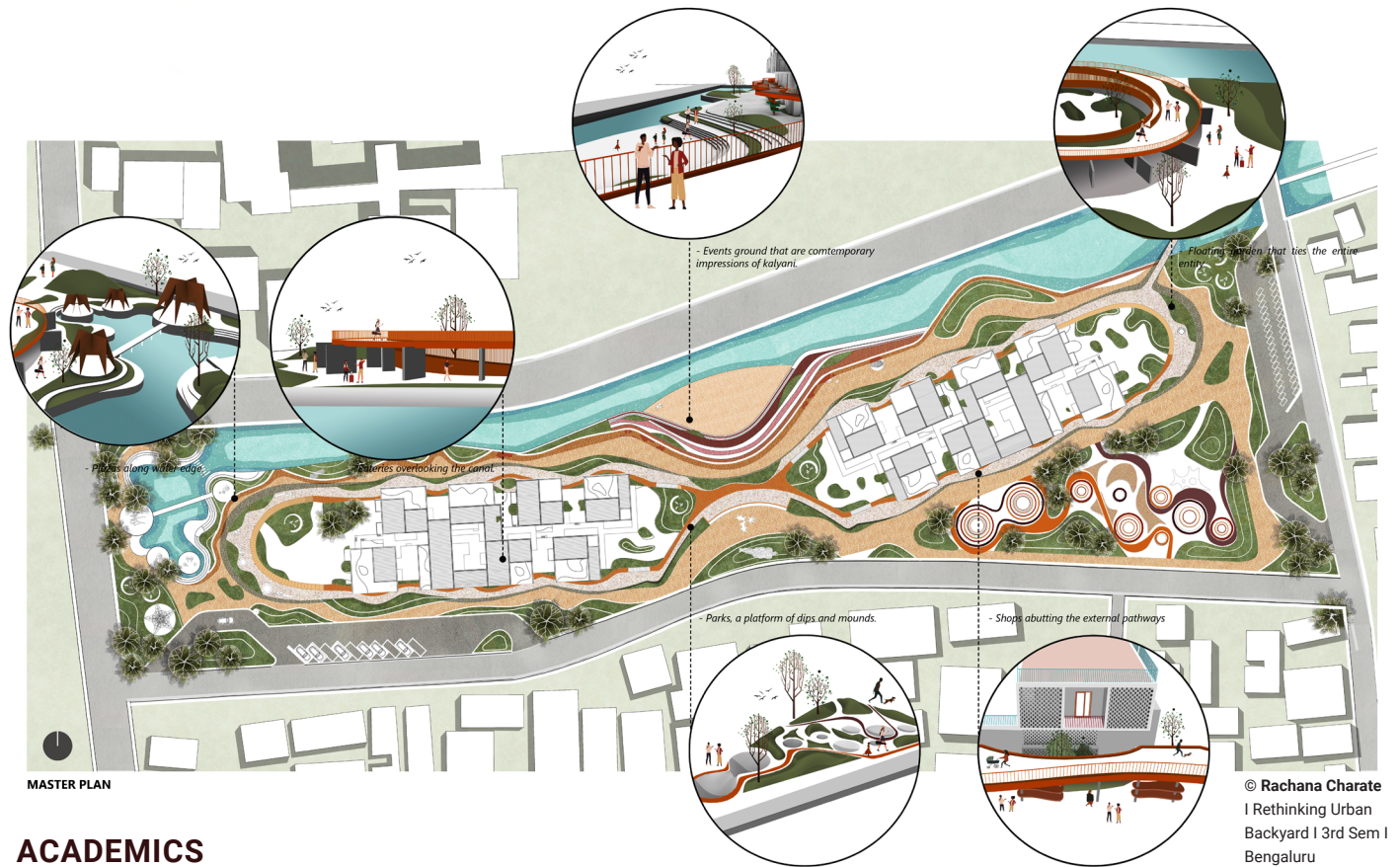
Celebrating its 16th year, the Urban Design program in RV College of Architecture remains widely recognized in India and abroad. The program has an active Consultancy Cell where faculty and students work on developing project reports with public and private agencies. Recent projects include the 'Lake Rejuvenation' –A Design Consultation Project for BBMP (2010) and Detailed Project Report on 'DESTINATION DEVELOPMENT, OLD MANGALORE TOWN, DAKSHIN KANNADA' for KTVG (Karnataka Tourism Vision Group) April 2015. Other recent achievements:

- One of the premier institution out of 15 invited to document the best smart city projects in Bengaluru, Davanagere and Belagavi, under **Smart cities and Academia towards Action & Research (SAAR) -2022-25** conceptualized by SCM (Smart city Mission) and NIUA(National Institute of Urban Affairs).
- Graduate student **Sreetu P** thesis project was awarded with **Best thesis** under **M. Arch program conducted by Council of Architecture (COA) 2021-22**
- Graduate Student **Ankita Rao's** thesis project was amongst the **top ten finalists in the Archiprix International Competition held at CEPT Ahmedabad (2017).**
- Hosted the **Annual National Thesis Seminar of Institute of Urban Designers India (IUDI)** in 2009 and 2016
- Graduate student **Pratima Reddy** was awarded **Best Thesis project in Urban Design at National Institute of Advanced Studies in Architecture (NIASA 2012)**
- Urban Studio projects have been showcased in many venues such as **Designuru, Bengaluru (2016); Vision 361 Udupi, Udupi District (2013); Federation of Karnataka Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Bengaluru (2009)**

## INFRASTRUCTURE

The M.Arch Program is housed within the well-appointed R V C A campus spread over two acres and provides extensive facilities that promote learning and foster creativity.

- Interactive learning spaces like studios, classrooms, skill labs, seminar hall, library, computer centre, model-making room
- On - campus accommodation (hostels) for girls and boys
- Amenities including guest rooms, sports club, ATM, canteen, gym, stationary corner, medical facilities and transport for day scholars.



## ACADEMICS

The Urban Design Program draws talented and committed faculty that have trained and worked in reputed institutions across the globe. The program benefits from the expertise of faculty specialized in varied disciplines like urban studies, urban planning, urban sociology, landscape, conservation, infrastructure planning and Geographical Information Systems.

The course is headed by **Dr. Rakesh K S** (B. Arch, M. Arch, Ph.D. - SAP, Chennai), Principal, and **Prof. Suresh K Murthy**, (B. Arch MS University, Baroda, Master in Building Tech, IIT Delhi), Dean, RVCA.

### M.ARCH (URBAN DESIGN) PROGRAM CORE FACULTY

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- **Brinda Sastry**, Dip. Arch (CEPT Ahmedabad), M.Arch, Urban Design (University of Oregon)
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