ARCHITECTURE
The Judson Architecture Program aspires to be a global leader in architectural education and Christian service. Founded in 1997 and accredited in 2004, the program is widely acknowledged for its innovative approach to architectural education, which includes a one-year preceptorship (internship) and its rich context within an evangelical Christian institution. Environmental stewardship is a design philosophy that guides the program and its approach to architecture education.

PROGRAM DISTINCTIVES
- Judson's Christian university context is unique among professional architecture programs and other Council for Christian Colleges and Universities (CCCU) schools.
- The program has a good student-to-faculty ratio, 16:1, in a relatively small program of 200 students.
- Judson is located just minutes from Chicago, a center for quintessentially American architecture and urbanism.
- 100% of faculty hold terminal degrees or advanced doctorates.
- Graduate students may elect to concentrate in Sustainable Design or Traditional Architecture and Urbanism.
- Students complete their architecture education within the Harm A. Weber Academic Center, a LEED Gold building designed byinternational architect and Cambridge University Professor C. Alan Short. Visit JudsonU.edu/HAWAC.
- Judson's Master of Architecture degree program is accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB).
- The program has a unique curricular structure:
  - Designed to be completed in five years, Judson's Bachelor of Arts and Master of Architecture programs utilize creative and compressed scheduling compared to conventional state school's 4 year BA/BS plus 2 year Master of Architecture format. Students complete a full year of practice-based work experience between the two degree programs for a completely unique hybridization of architecture education and practice.
  - 136-hour Bachelor of Arts in Architecture and a 42-hour Master of Architecture.
  - Students earn a competitive 178 university credits, and the program structure maximizes learning potential as well as leverages the experience of both academic learning and practice learning.

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CAREER PATHWAYS

Students with bachelor degrees in architecture are prepared to enter conventional architecture practice and a wide range of other design related practices. The vast majority of our baccalaureate graduates take part in the one-year preceptorship and then return to Judson for the three-term Master of Architecture program. Accredited by the NAAB, the Master of Architecture degree positions graduates to earn their state licenses to practice architecture independently. Many states require a percentage of partners in partnership offices to hold a license. The license is a significant personal and professional milestone, and Judson takes the educational preparation for license very seriously.

The Christian context encourages students to make a difference in the world, and many of Judson’s architecture alumni are making a difference in international ministry organizations like Missionary TECH teams, Engineering Ministries International (eMi), and 100 Fold.

With the academic, personal, and professional skills gained through these majors, graduates can pursue rewarding careers as:

- Licensed Architects
- Intern Architects
- Construction Managers
- City Planners
- Community Development Professionals
- Ministry-related fields

RECENT ALUMNI HAVE ATTENDED THESE GRADUATE SCHOOLS AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO CONTINUING WITH JUDSON’S M.Arch. PROGRAM:

- University of Notre Dame
- Yale University
- University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
- Southern California Institute of Architecture
- University of Hawaii (D. Arch.)
- University of British Columbia
- Kent State University
- University of California

ORGANIZATIONS AND FIRMS WHERE ALUMNI ARE EMPLOYED:

- Missionary TECH teams
- Engineering Ministries International (eMi)
- James McCready Architects
- Michael Watkins Architects
- Lake Flato
- Adrian Smith + Gordon Gill
- Bohlin Cywinski Jackson
- Gensler
- Skidmore Owings Merrill
- Urban Design Associates
- Construction Managers
- City Planners
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ABOUT JUDSON

Judson University ranks consistently among the Top Tier of Regional Colleges in the Midwest by U.S. News and World Report. A fully accredited, private Christian university of the liberal arts, sciences and professions, Judson offers Bachelor of Arts degrees for more than 50 majors/minors as well as adult degree programs and graduate programs. All majors offer opportunities for students to engage in internships, practicums, service-learning, or field experiences. Students also gain cross-cultural understanding through service-learning, mission trips, or studying abroad. Located just 40 minutes northwest of downtown Chicago, Judson offers a close-knit, Christian community with the benefits of a large urban setting, ideal for cultural activities, internships, and life after graduation.

FINANCIAL AID

Judson offers financial aid options for 90 percent of its students. Find out just how much value our students receive by visiting campus and meeting with our financial aid officers, who work to help students afford a Judson education. Scholarships for academics, honors, and co-curricular activities, such as athletics, music, and theatre are available to all majors.

For more information, visit www.JudsonU.edu

ALUMNI & FACULTY

KATIE GUTTORMSON, Architecture 2010, M.Arch. 2012; Architect, JLG Architects

“Judson’s architecture program has many unique strengths that I am discovering more and more as I talk to different co-workers that didn’t have the same great experience that I did. I think Judson’s biggest strength is the community, both as a whole university and also within the architecture program. I love how Judson combines the experienced with the inexperienced (i.e. sophomores through graduate students) all in one working space. It was encouraging to see the unspoken mentorships that form within the architecture studio.”

KEELAN P. KAISER, AIA, NCARB, LEED AP
Chair, Department of Architecture  |  “One of the exciting learning opportunities for Judson architecture students is the extensive range of architecture internships. Architecture students have the opportunity to gain practice experience in just about every city in the USA, in just about any size office, with just about any specialty; and we even have recent graduates working in Shanghai, China and Berlin, Germany. The opportunities to study in a Christian environment and then turn that around to a real world work setting are outstanding in our professional architecture programs.”

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