“At the Yale School of Architecture, our highest priority is to educate the leaders in each generation who will take on the complexities of the built environment, and, through their innovations, improve the quality of life both locally and globally.”

—Robert A.M. Stern, Dean and J.M. Hoppin Professor of Architecture

The School of Architecture attracts a diverse student body—talented individuals from around the world with the capacity to continue Yale’s legacy of leadership in architecture. Admission is determined without regard to a student’s ability to pay for his or her education. However, with current resources, the school is unable to meet all students’ full demonstrated need.

To ensure that we never discourage the best Master of Architecture (M.Arch.) candidates from enrolling at Yale due to financial constraints—or lose them to competitor institutions—we must enhance our financial aid program and reduce our students’ loan indebtedness upon graduation.

Access Yale recognizes the critical role that increased financial aid funding plays in enabling the School of Architecture to fulfill its mission of preparing tomorrow’s extraordinary leaders to address the challenges of global outreach and environmental responsibility. It is the school’s highest priority to eliminate student loans and burdensome levels of debt upon graduation. With your support, we will achieve this essential goal.

“YSoA has provided me a unique platform to realize a design, publish a book, and research abroad, all with help from leaders in the architectural discipline. This school prepares you for the future by encouraging your accomplishments now and supplies the resources and network to spread your ideas going forward.”

Anthony Gagliardi is in his second year in the M.Arch. program at the Yale School of Architecture. During his first year, Anthony and his classmates designed and built a low-income house for New Haven residents, learning the building process from concept to construction. He has been accepted to the Rome: Continuity and Change program, which provides funding for an intensive month of architectural study in Italy.
Giving opportunities

$50,000 or more
Endowed Named Scholarship Fund
The establishment of an endowed scholarship to support Yale School of Architecture students provides in perpetuity a critical source of financial aid to assist future leaders in the field.

$10,000 or more
Current-use Named Scholarship Fund
With an annual contribution of $10,000 or more, you may name a scholarship fund that will provide immediate support for Yale School of Architecture students during the year in which your gift is made.

To learn more

Access Yale is a two-year, university-wide initiative in support of financial aid at Yale. The initiative seeks to build financial aid endowment across all of Yale’s schools, as well as raise current use funds that can go to work immediately to support financial aid in Yale College, the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, and the professional schools.

For more information about how you can help support Access Yale at the Yale School of Architecture, please contact:

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$66,336
ANNUAL COST OF ATTENDANCE

$80,000
AVERAGE DEBT AT GRADUATION

27%
AMOUNT OF FINANCIAL AID BUDGET COVERED BY ENDOWMENT

$2.9 million
TOTAL UNMET ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP NEED

86%
STUDENTS RECEIVING SOME AID

M.Arch. candidates graduated in 2014 with mean cumulative debt of $80,000. Faced with low starting salaries compared to other professions and a tight job market, career decisions may be unduly influenced by their ability to make loan payments. Vital financial aid funding will ensure that the most talented are never turned away because of need, and that every graduate has the freedom to pursue his or her passion once they leave Yale.