

AIAS

American Institute of Architecture Students

The Ohio State University Chapter

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What is AIAS? The American Institute of Architecture Students (AIAS) is an independent, non-profit, student-run organization consisting of nearly 6,000 design students in 120-plus chapters across the United States and Canada. On the national level, AIAS aims to provide unmatched programs, information, and resources on issues critical to architectural education, such as studio culture, accreditation requirements, internships, and professional development.

Why is AIAS important? Membership in AIAS is beneficial for a number of reasons. It is a great way to meet other students, not only from your own school, but also from chapters across the country through events such as quad conferences and Forum, which is the AIAS national convention. AIAS involvement not only looks great on your resume, but also helps you build valuable professional skills through the mentorship program and IDP (Intern Development Program) information sessions. Participating in AIAS is also a great way to have fun while building your skills. Involvement in AIAS makes your opinion heard on your architectural education both in your school and on the national level as well.

In what kind of activities does AIAS participate? We participate regularly in many activities, most in conjunction with the Columbus Chapter of the American Institute of Architects (AIA). These include the mentorship program, IDP information session, resume and portfolio building session, high school design seminar, sandcastle competition, and attendance at the AIA monthly dinner meetings. Our local chapter also participates in selling supply kits to incoming sophomores and the annual Beaux Arts Ball in the spring.

Are AIAS members eligible for any discounts? Absolutely! In addition to all of the valuable discounts on the national level listed on the attached sheet, including software and magazines, our local chapter has an arrangement at Utrecht Art Store in the Short North to provide a 15% discount to our members.

What's new for this year? Regular meetings (first Monday of every month), a larger discount at Utrecht, our new office in room 205, more interaction between AIAS and SCASLA, hosting the Fall Midwest Quad Conference, more social activities, and greater involvement by our members.

How do I join? Just return the attached membership form with the appropriate payment to the AIAS mailbox in Knowlton Hall, to the AIAS office in Knowlton Hall room 205, or to any AIAS Leadership Team member. The Fall membership drive deadline is October 15.

Upcoming Dates

IDP Info Session – Monday, October 11, 6:00 PM, Knowlton Hall Auditorium

Membership deadline – Friday, October 15

AIAS Fall Midwest Quad Conference – November 5-7, Columbus, OH (hosted by OSU)

AIAS National Forum – December 29-January 1, New Orleans, LA

Questions?

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