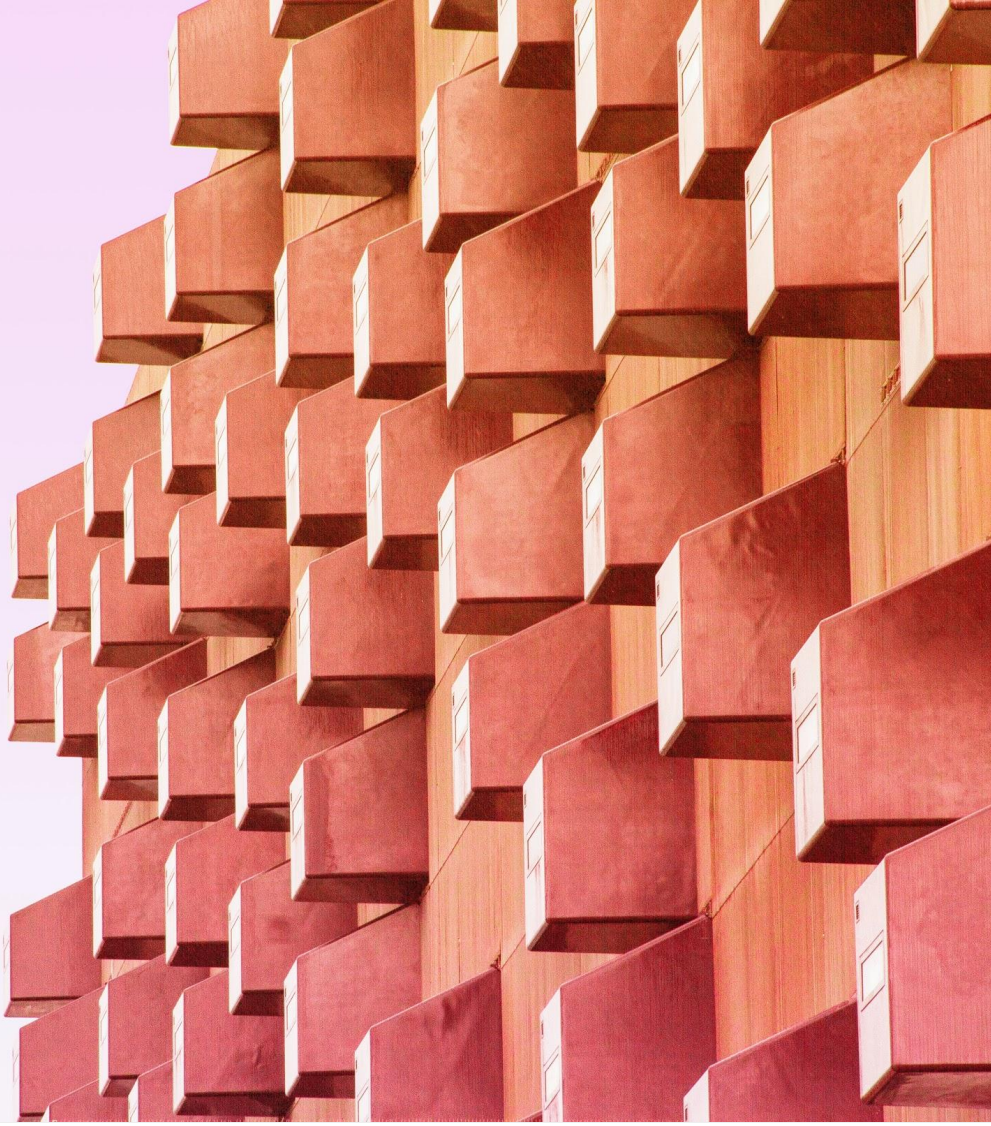


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Unfuse International Architecture Dissertation Awards

Awarding outstanding architectural research

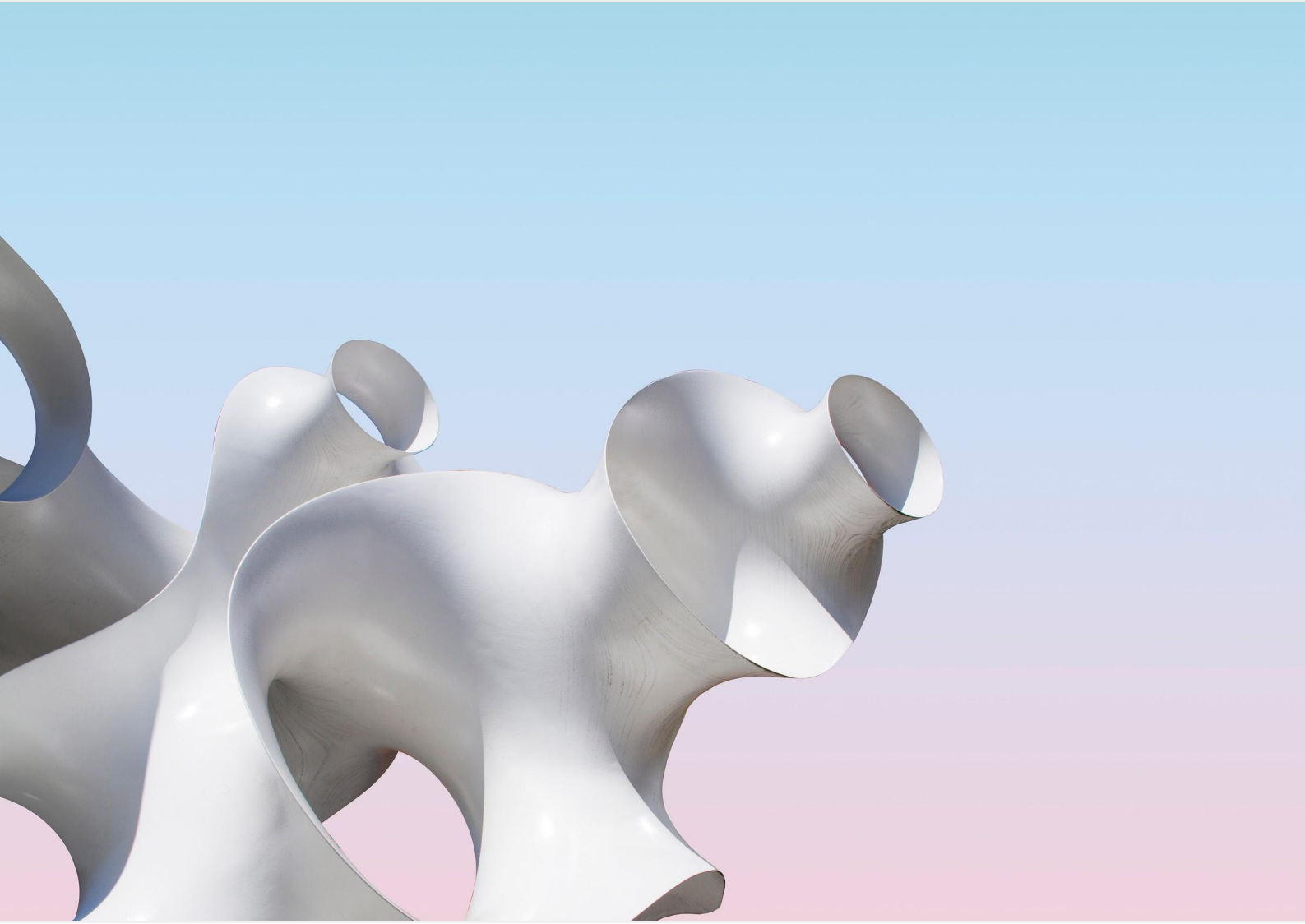
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Premise

Any iconic building that we see becomes so iconic not just for its face value but the amount of research that goes into making them. It brings the actual depth to what we refer to as great architectural examples. Now not all great ideas get a chance to be built, but this doesn't mean that they lack depth or are not equally great. It is very crucial to design and build. However, **articulating architecture** is equally necessary. We believe that - **great dialogues lead to better design ideas.**

UnIADA- Unfuse International Architectural Dissertation Awards, hosted by **Unfuse** is an annual awards programme that rewards the **best research papers written by a student at an UnderGrad and PostGrad level.** It aspires to generate dialogue by bringing some remarkable works under the spotlight which otherwise are limited to a very selected audience. It aims to be **a platform for generating awareness about and around the field of Architecture.**



Eligibility

1. **UnIADA** is open to students of all institutions and nationalities in the field of Architecture, Landscape, Planning and Urban Design at large.

2. All the graduate/masters and undergraduate/bachelors dissertation completed by batches completing their course in years 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 are eligible to take part in **UnIADA 2021.**

3. Participation in **UnIADA** can be made in two modes. **Individual / Institution** (Details on next page).

4. Dissertation in an **individual capacity,** as well as **group,** both are permitted. All the members have to be added to the form.



Participate

You can enter **UnIADA** in two modes:

1. Participant only

Description: As an individual/team of individuals with a single dissertation.
Checklist: Participants must be Registered at Uni and must fill in their user profiles. Submission details can be found on next page.

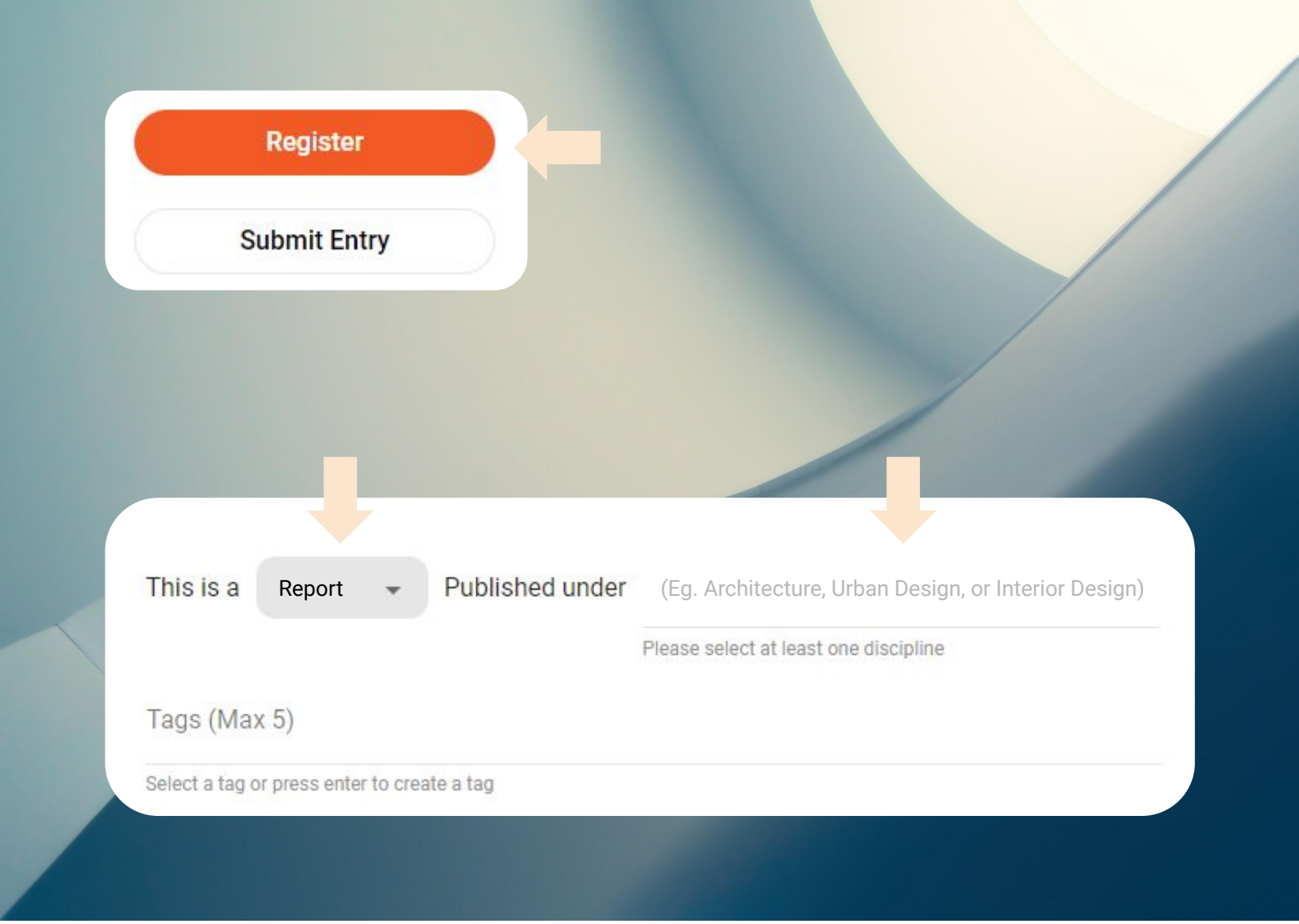
This mode is open for all participants from all around the world.

2. Participant + Institution (For **Maximum** 25 Institutions Only)

Description: A set of dissertations authorized by the institute with minimum 6 and maximum of 12 projects.
Checklist: Everything from above + Letter of Authorization from the institution.

The "**Letter of Authorization**" from the institute can be submitted by any of the participants on behalf of the set of dissertations entering UnIADA on this form. The eligible participants can endorse themselves to participate or get suggested by an academic panel. This process can be lead by any of the alumni/ students/faculty.
You can find both the form and the page to submit here:

Letter of Authorization | Submit Letter of Authorization here



Stage 1: Submission

You have to submit your dissertation on Uni as a publication based on the given outlines. Once you have registered click here to submit or visit 'my entries' section.

• Submit your report in **PDF** format (Max size **30MB**) - in any sheet size or orientation of your choice.

Minimum requisite submission are:

• Report in **PDF** Format (Compulsory)
• **Title**: <Name of the dissertation>
• **Description**: (Describe your report what is it about, year and what kind of works, etc.)
• **Cover/Thumbnail -** portrait image in **4 : 3 ratio** (Minimum 600 x 450 ppi or larger)
• **Discipline**: Architecture, Urban Design, Landscape design etc. as applicable
• **Tags**: You are free to devise these on your own - relevant to the works in the PDF



Evaluation

All the entries coming in for UnIADA as an individual will be moderated/screened by Unfuse - Awards team and Committee. Participants + Institution entries are prequalified for the Stage 1 because of pre-moderation by institutions.

Stage 1

Participants after having registered for the competition will be required to submit their dissertation reports in PDF format. The dissertation reports will be scrutinized by Unfuse Awards Committee based on the given judging criteria and merit of thought process/quality of research.

Stage 2

After all the entries are received, 30 of these will be shortlisted. Shortlisted participants will have to submit a concise version of their dissertation/research which will be communicated to them via email. These entries will be then forwarded to our awards committee panel who will select the finalists for UnIADA ‘21.

All the finalists from stage 2 will be a part of our annual publication UnIADA ‘21 Series 2.



Pro Tips

+ Mention sheet number on the corner of every page.

+ All the portfolios or images will be viewed on a digital device. e.g. Laptop screen of 15”, monitor of size no more than 27” or projector. Uploaded reports or images will not be physically printed for evaluation. The submission hence should be prepared for digital viewing only.

+ Submit PDF’s only. (JPG is only applicable on thumbnail)

+ Compose a great thumbnail - It is the first impression of your project. Don’t repeat the title on the thumbnail - make it visual (If possible don’t put text at all)

+ Add relevant tags to your portfolio to ensure they are well searchable.

+Use tools like Grammarly to weed out typo’s and spelling errors.

Rewards

Winners of 2020 edition inside



All the **Finalist dissertations** will be **featured** in our printed Annual Journal - **UnIADA '21 Series 2** (available on purchase). The book is scheduled to publish after completion of UnIADA '21.

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Shortlisted Entries

E-certificate awarded to all **Shortlisted** Participants.

Finalists

E-certificate awarded to all **Finalists**.

Finalists will be featured in our Annual E-Publication.

The Stage 2 Submissions will be published in our Journal.

Submission

The Award only invites architecture research related subjects only. Please **do not submit** your **Graduation Projects** (We have a separate programme for that called UnIATA - Check here). You have to deliver your architectural dissertation (Also known by the name - Research / Seminar paper / Essay), based on the given outlines:

Stage 1:
Submission Requirements for Stage 1 are as follows-

• You are expected to submit your dissertation reportRegister on Uni, in the UnIADA competition page - Upload your PDF in the publication section.

• There's no specified format (portrait/landscape) to make submission convenient for participants around the globe with varying institutional standards.

• The size of the PDF submitted should not be more than 20MB. Add thumbnails and relevant information like tags to make your project searchable.

Stage 2:
Submission Requirements for Stage 2 are as follows:

• The shortlisted entries would be required to submit their dissertation in a specified format as communicated to them at the time of announcement.

Deadlines

Discover the competition schedule and deadlines on the competitions page or on this link - Schedule.

Rules

+ The competitions is open for **students from Bachelors and Masters in the field of architecture, urban design, landscape design and interior design fields**.

+ Until credited, plagiarism of any text/content/image will result in direct disqualification. Manage your references properly.

+ Multiple person contributed dissertation reports are eligible to enter. In case of publication in yearbook we will reach out separately for selected entries.

+ How to know if your submission is a fit for this award?

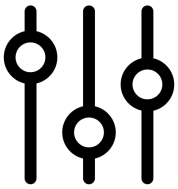
The submissions in this award are mostly research oriented (Eg. Study of urban spaces in the context of gender sensitivity) and only look at architectural research outcomes. It **does not** invite design project / graduation Projects (Eg. Design of a passenger terminal) or research cropped out of an architectural project - without a substantial outcome.

The entries will be judged by the awards committe of the competition on the following criterions:



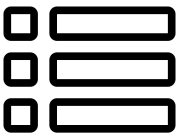
Originality

Originality of thought would be the guiding principle to judge all the entries.



Relevance

The submitted entries must be a relevant subject in the field of architecture and design.



Articulation

The entries would be shortlisted on the basis of how well the thought is articulated.



Insight

The richness of the content would be checked on the basis of the personal insights about the chosen topic.

Judging Criteria

The judging panel can also add other criterions based on their internal discussions - which will be in line with the problem statement. Participants are advised to fulfil above given criterions first in their design.

About

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Unfuse a part of **Uni** serves as a platform to create a global community of architects and designers who are pushing the boundaries of architecture discipline to enrich our built environment. At **Unfuse** we promote exceptional works, ideas, experimentations in the field of architecture, landscape, urban design, society, culture and ecology. We as a designer invest a lot of time to bring our ideas on paper, to create something extraordinary, like a graduation project that can change the kind of built environment we want around us, and make a better world.

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Discover FAQ's about this competition on our help forum here: https://help.uni.xyz/

Deadlines

Follow the competition page schedule for latest deadlines or the link here:
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