



# Junior Architects

## New Paradigms in Design Education

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Organised in three sections — Building Society, Pluralism & Pedagogy, and Civic Professionalism — **Junior Architects** establishes a framework for a comprehensive analysis of 25 case studies focused on pathway programs as strategies for recruitment, institutional evolution, and bold experimentation. It offers an indispensable resource for educators, practitioners, and policymakers striving to create a nurturing environment that embraces pluralism and equity in design education.

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