



## International Design Activism | Nepal

Winter | Spring | 2018

International Design Activism | Nepal is an immersive 1-2 quarter (1 semester+) study abroad program focused on innovative, interdisciplinary problem solving, community-based design and project implementation in the marginalized urban communities of Kathmandu, Nepal. During the program, students will gain an in depth knowledge of the social, political, cultural and environmental context of Nepal, explore Kathmandu's urban form, architecture, public spaces and technology and learn to speak basic Nepali. They will work in close collaboration with local students and stakeholders to design, build and assess the impacts of a community-driven intervention and learn about design practice in developing cities from representatives of local universities, NGOs and government agencies.

Graduate and advanced undergraduate students from multiple disciplines are encouraged to apply to the program for both the winter and spring quarters (spring semester+) of 2018. Students may also elect to apply to the winter or spring quarter alone.

The program is sponsored by the University of Washington, Department of Landscape Architecture, Informal Urban Communities Initiative in collaboration with the Jackson School of International Studies, Nepal Studies Initiative. Nepali collaborators include the Tribhuvan University Department of Architecture, Kathmandu University School of Arts.

Applications for Winter Quarter are due September 15<sup>th</sup>

Applications for Spring Quarter are also due September 15<sup>th</sup> (with possible extension)

*(two quarter (semester+) students must apply to both quarters but may reuse the same application materials)*

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