ACE is an incredible program that strengthens connections among professionals, empowers new students to take on amazing challenges, and promotes collaboration within our diverse fields.

- Landscape architect mentor, Denver, CO

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BY ATTRACTING THE NEXT GENERATION OF ARCHITECTS, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS, INTERIOR DESIGNERS, AND URBAN PLANNERS, ACE PLAYS A CRUCIAL ROLE IN ADDRESSING THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY’S WORKFORCE NEEDS.

ACE has ignited my passion for architecture. Thanks to ACE, I have developed an appreciation of how architects work. The help I have received from my mentors is irreplaceable.

- Student, Raleigh, NC

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DATA SOURCES

This report’s data are drawn from three large-scale surveys (2017) of students, alumni (Glasses of 2012-16) and mentors. The surveys’ margins of error range from 1.5% to 2.2%. The statistic about national freshmen studying architecture is from Higher Education Research Institute, UCLA, 2016

CRSP Freshmen Survey.
I gained **real world experience** of what it’s like to be an architect and work alongside people in other professions. Being in ACE also gave me valuable pieces for my **portfolio**.

- 2016 ACE alumna, Cornell University