DESIGNING CIVIC BUILDINGS: 
THE ARCHITECT WORKS WITH A TEAM

ARCHITECTURE IS A SOCIAL ART

The BERKELEY PRIZE supports the study and teaching of the social art of architecture. The online, two-stage Essay Competition is open to undergraduate architecture majors in accredited schools of architecture throughout the world. This year, each student must think about what kind of information from other disciplines such as urban studies, the social sciences, or beyond is needed to help make civic buildings work. Partner with another undergraduate student majoring in one of these disciplines to form a team and jointly write a submittal. You can work with an undergraduate student from your school or another school in your local community. The Travel Fellowship Competition is open to all Essay competition semifinalists individually.

PURSE

Essay Competition: 30,000 USD; 7,500 USD First prize; Multiple prizes
Travel Fellowship Competition: Stipend and Airfare; Multiple prizes

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SCHEDULE

Competition opens: September 15, 2019; Stage One entries due: November 1, 2019.
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