

Accademia Archi Camp 2026

General Terms and Conditions (GTC)

These General Terms and Conditions (GTC) form an integral part of the contract between the organiser of Accademia Archi Camp, Università della Svizzera italiana (hereinafter "USI"), and the participant of Accademia Archi Camp.

1. Participants

Applications will be considered from young people aged between 16 and 20 who are obtaining or have obtained in Switzerland a qualification granting direct admission to the Accademia di Architettura ([further information on qualifications](#)). Priority in the allocation of places will be given to students within the indicated age range who are attending or have attended an educational institution in Switzerland. Allocation of places will also consider the chronological order of registration. A waiting list will be established. Should places become available, applications from students over the age of 20 and/or attending a secondary school abroad may also be considered.

2. Registration

To register for Accademia Archi Camp, the participant, or their representative, must complete, sign and submit the Registration Form together with the required attachments to the USI Study Advisory and Promotion Service via SecureShare using the following link:

<https://seureshare.usi.ch/filedrop/aac@usi.ch>

Within 8 working days of submission, the participant will receive written confirmation of their registration. Together with the confirmation, instructions for payment of the participation fee will be provided. Payment must be made strictly within the indicated deadline, otherwise the registration will be deemed invalid and will not be considered. Participants on the waiting list may then be considered. By registering, these GTC are also accepted.

3. Services

The programme is determined by USI and may be subject to change. USI reserves the right to modify the content of activities at any time without prior notice. Registration is valid for the entire week. It is not possible to register for individual days or on a part-time basis.

4. Cancellation by participants

In the event of cancellation by participants, the following charges apply:

- 60 to 31 calendar days before the start of the Camp: 50% of the invoiced amount
- 30 to 15 calendar days before the start of the Camp: 75% of the invoiced amount
- 14 to 1 calendar day before the start of the Camp: 100% of the invoiced amount
- Non-attendance/participation or late arrival at the Camp: 100% of the invoiced amount

Cancellations must be made in writing by sending an email to aac@usi.ch

5. Cancellation by USI

USI reserves the right to cancel Accademia Archi Camp if the number of participants is insufficient or in cases of force majeure. In such cases, a full refund will be issued, excluding any further compensation.

6. Code of conduct

The consumption of alcohol and illegal substances and smoking is prohibited within the premises of the Accademia di Architettura and the Casa dell'Accademia.

Participants are required to respect the premises of Università della Svizzera italiana and the regulations of the Casa dell'Accademia.

Participants must adhere to the timetable and daily programme set by lecturers, tutors and Camp staff. In particular, participants must exercise special care when using modelling equipment at the Accademia di Architettura in Mendrisio. Strict compliance with the usage rules provided on site is required. Violation of the code of conduct may result in immediate exclusion from the Camp without entitlement to a refund.

7. Meeting point, arrival and departure

On the first day, participants will meet at the Accademia di Architettura in Mendrisio (Villa Argentina, Largo Bernasconi 2, 6850 Mendrisio) at the time indicated in the official communication. Travel to and from the Camp is the responsibility of the participants and is not included in the fee. In the event of late arrival without prior agreement, the right to participate in the Camp will be forfeited. The participation fee remains payable.

8. Meals, accommodation and activities

The costs of meals (breakfast, lunch and dinner), accommodation in a single room at the Casa dell'Accademia, and all transfers and activities included in Accademia Archi Camp are covered by the participation fee.

9. Insurance / Limitation of liability

Insurance is the responsibility of the participants. USI declines all liability, to the extent permitted by law, for damages resulting from accidents, illness, material damage, theft or loss. Liability for indirect or consequential damages is excluded. The limitation and exclusion of liability apply to both contractual and non-contractual or quasi-contractual relationships. Participants are advised to obtain appropriate insurance covering illness, accidents and third-party liability.

10. Intellectual property

Projects, drawings, models and any other work produced by participants during the Camp (the "Works") may be used by USI – Università della Svizzera italiana for institutional, educational and communication purposes. By accepting these GTC, participants assign to USI, free of charge and without territorial or time limitations, all rights to use the Works, including rights of reproduction, publication, exhibition and dissemination in any form or medium. Participants waive any financial claims arising from the use of the Works by USI.

11. Miscellaneous provisions

USI reserves the right to take photographs and videos and to use them free of charge in brochures, publications, websites, social media and other communications.

12. Applicable law and jurisdiction

All legal relationships shall be governed by Swiss law. The place of jurisdiction is Mendrisio