This two-week summer workshop is designed to prepare incoming students without prior architectural studio experience with a working familiarity of the culture, strategies, and concepts that form the backbone of architectural design studio work at IIT Architecture. IntroARCH is built around a series of design studio projects that integrate drawing and modeling skill workshops, lectures and discussion sessions, concept and process lessons, and reviews with visiting critics. Supporting components of the program include visits to local architecture offices, guest presentations, and field trips exploring Chicago's rich architectural environment.

The workshop is highly recommended for students embarking on a three-year professional Master of Architecture or Master of Landscape Architecture degree, and is open to students entering the two-year advanced standing degree. The course is also open to those who are not currently seeking a degree at IIT Architecture, but are interested in pursuing graduate studies in architecture in the future.