The AIAS and Journeyman International (JI) are combining forces to provide AIAS students with a powerful and fun opportunity to work on humanitarian architecture projects.

What is the JI Global Citizen Program?
The JI Global Citizen program is a platform and curriculum that connects university students and industry professionals with real humanitarian architecture projects around the world. To date, JI teams have designed projects in over 40 countries! The programs primary focus is providing thesis project opportunities, but can connect other groups such as AIAS Freedom By Design service teams.

The AIAS and JI have developed the following opportunities for AIAS students to get involved:

**COMPETITION NIGHTS:**
JI and AIAS have developed competition nights that provide a series of fun social activities and, fast paced competitions. Some of these competitions are design to directly support the Global Citizen Program. Below is an example outline of a Competition Night.

**6pm:** Arrival
**6:45pm:** AIAS to provide dinner and brief presentation on Global Citizen Program, and outline of nights events.
**7:30 pm:** Humanitarian Design Competition: Students break up into small teams (3-6) and are given a ‘humanitarian design problem statement’ that is a real JI project somewhere in the world. Students will be tasked with quickly compiling a project design, addressing corruption and natural disaster challenges and more. Contact JI for these project statements.
**8:30pm:** Each team will give a 5-10 minute presentation on their project. Judge panel (preferably professors) will select a winner and give out prize.
**8:45pm:** Watch short documentary on humanitarian design and serve dessert.
9:45pm: Finding Humanitarian Partners Competition: Student teams will break up and be tasked with finding specific humanitarian partners and projects around the world. Sample question: “find an organization in Ghana that provides orphanage care to refugees.’ Competition answers will help the JI find new design projects around the world. Contact JI for project statements.

11pm: Briefly present competition results and hand out prizes. Break into social time for as long as people want to stay.

CONNECTING AIAS STUDENTS WITH THESIS OPPORTUNITY:
By joining together, AIAS students are provided direct access to JI humanitarian thesis opportunities. Special JI project and program information will be distributed to students via their local AIAS Chapter. AIAS students will have first access to premier design projects and corporate mentors. AIAS Presidents will receive direct access to the latest news and information on Journeyman International.

PROJECTS FOR AIAS FREEDOM BY DESIGN:
JI Connects AIAS Freedom By Design students with real humanitarian project challenges and the JI Humanitarian Design Handbook guidelines. JI can also provide projects for AIAS students looking for independent studies or volunteer opportunities.

JI STUDENT PRESENTATIONS AT AIAS MEETINGS:
JI Student designers can present the status of their projects to AIAS club meetings, and share stories and adventures of designing for the developing world.
FINDING JI PROJECTS FOR FELLOW CLASSMATES:
The JI program has a problem - but a problem that’s good to have. We have more student designers than we do projects! By connecting with the AIAS, our aim is for students to help find quality humanitarian projects for each other. For example, a 3rd year student may find a project for a 5th year thesis student. While they enjoy watching that project get designed and built over the next year, younger student have found a great project for their thesis. To encourage this sustainable cycle, the JI team will be offering prizes for students that refer projects to the JI database. All you have to do is make sure the project get submitted to an online form!

Prizes for referring projects to the JI database:

1. Refer 5 legit projects, win JI t-shirt  
2. Refer 10 legit projects, also win a JI sweatshirt  
3. Refer 20 or more legit projects, win JI duffle
HOW TO FIND PROJECTS:

Finding quality humanitarian design projects is challenging but fun. Be diligent. You want projects that have a high probability of being built and that will change the lives of a community. Below you will find five main criteria we look for

• Seek out a reputable organization with a proven humanitarian track record.
• It is preferable that you find a project with land procured and has at least partial funding.
• Organization needs to speak English and agree to communication frequently and effectively with the designer.
• It is preferred that the organization can host the design team’s travel.
• Project needs to fit the academic thesis program.

How to seek out and find Journeyman International Projects:

Start your search by checking with your own personal contacts. Do you have family or friends who are already involved with a humanitarian organization? Check with your local church or service organizations for any projects in which they are already involved. If you are interested in a specific country, search the internet for projects in that country. Use key words such as orphanage, hospital, medical clinic, dental clinic, school, rehabilitation center, etc. as well as the name of the country. Search for NGO’s (aka non profits or humanitarian organization) that are actively working in that country. Search their website. Another avenue would be to find the agency in that country that oversees NGO projects.

Random google searches are very helpful in finding organizations with humanitarian projects. If you want to find a project in Morocco, google “top 10 NGO’s in Morocco”. Start broad and then follow up on leads. Other key words for google searches are: worldwide NGO directory, non-profit coalition, coalition for non-profit housing, non-profit agencies, orphanage, school, medical, vocational center, etc. One of the best ways to find a “financially sustainable” NGO is by researching funding sources to see whom they support. For instance, you could search, “top NGO’s in Morocco that receive USAID funding” or search through the Clinton Global Initiative or Gates Foundation websites and to see what projects they support.

Contacting Prospective NGO:

Once you have located an NGO that has the potential to have a project, you will need to contact them. E-mailing international NGO’s is acceptable. If they are located in the USA the best method of communication is a phone call. For international organizations, try to locate an executive’s email address. If you can’t do that, send an email through their generic contact form. The best people to contact are the CEO’s/Presidents/Program directors of the organization. If the project appears to be a good fit, have the organization fill out a project application on the ‘get design’ page of JI’s website. Then contact JI to discuss the next steps.

Sample e-mail:

Dear <<First Name>>

My name is (your name here) and I work for an NGO out of San Luis Obispo, California called Journeyman International. We provide architectural design, structural engineering and construction logistic services for humanitarian organizations working in developing countries all over the world.

Our model uses architecture students at Cal Poly State University as well as other universities around the world to design humanitarian projects such as schools, clinics, orphanages and more. We have more student designers than we have projects. We are looking for NGO partners. Please recommend any projects that <<Organization>> is working on that is in need of an architectural design, structural engineers or construction logistics. If you know of any other humanitarian organizations with similar needs please recommend us to them. I’ve attached our “Call For Projects” flyer. You are welcome to send it to anyone you think may benefit from our services.

Thank you and have a great day!

Your Name
PROFESSIONAL SPONSORS AND MENTORS NEEDED!

Join the Journeyman International team of professional volunteers mentoring university students working on humanitarian thesis projects.

The JI team searches the world for promising humanitarian projects...

...and pairs them up with architecture, construction, and engineering students to work on for an internship or senior thesis project.

Professional volunteers review, complete and perfect student designs and engineering.

Our humanitarian partners own and operate these facilities, using them to improve lives around the world.

If needed, the JI team provides project managers, superintendents, and job site workers for projects.

JI provides humanitarian partners with a detailed fundraising proposal and construction drawings.

Journeyman International is a non profit that connects university architecture, engineering, and construction students with real humanitarian project opportunities and professional mentors. To date, JI teams have worked on projects in over 40 countries! We are actively seeking professionals to sponsor projects and mentor design students.

Visit www.journeymaninternational.org for mentorship information and to apply.
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Email daniel@journeymaninternational.org for information on how to apply. Not all students are accepted so apply early!
CALL FOR PROJECTS

Journeyman International is seeking quality humanitarian projects to design for qualified organizations.

We want to help bring your humanitarian facility dreams to life! Go to www.journeymaninternational.org and select ‘get design’ to apply! You can also contact daniel@journeymaninternational.org