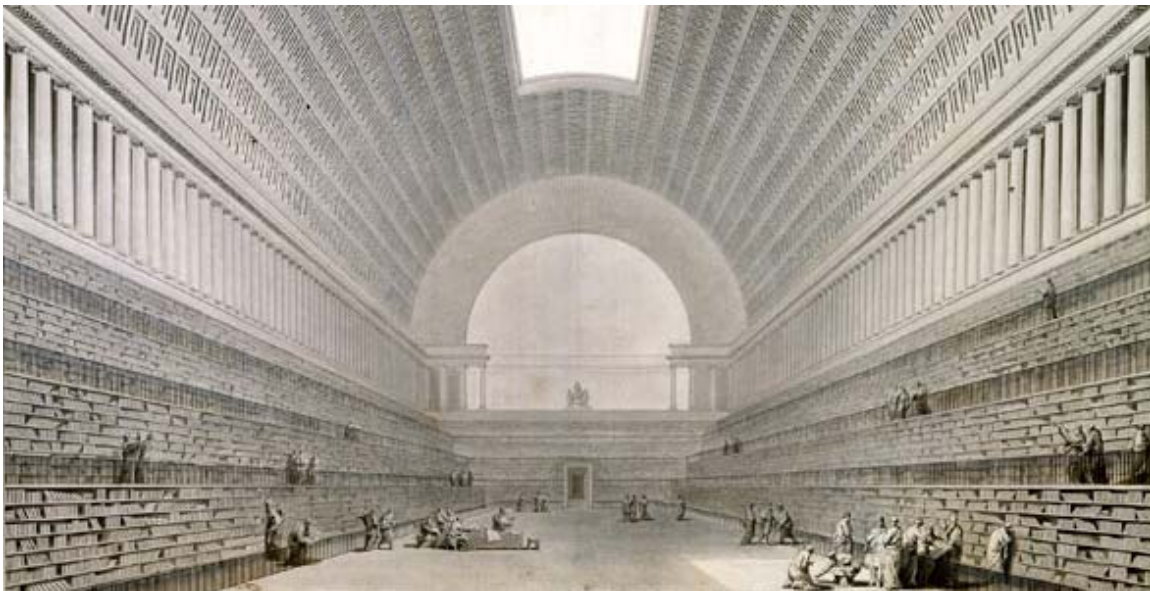


Master's degree programme in Architecture
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A New School of Thought



Étienne- Luis Boullée, Royal Library, 1786

Where schools are equipped with laboratories, shops, and gardens, where dramatizations, plays, and games are freely used, opportunities exist for reproducing situations of life, and for acquiring and applying information and ideas....Ideas are not segregated, they do not form an isolated island. Information is vitalized by its function ; by the place it occupies in direction of action.ⁱ

Studio Staub will focus on the design of new schools of thoughtⁱⁱ, in close collaboration with institutions and individuals working on the ongoing research project with the same name, short "NeST"ⁱⁱⁱ. The semester will be composed by three highlights:

1. An ideas competition

The studio will conduct an ideas competition for a new school of thought within the realm of the architectural discipline. We will first develop a digital archive which will serve as a basis for the formulation of visual manifestos for the students' very own new schools of thought, taking a position on the current architectural scene/milieu and the contemporary system of architectural education. We will speculate on what and how to learn, while

simultaneously conceive, imagine and design spaces that emerge from your manifesto and your ideological conception of knowledge production. By proposing spatial and syntactic structures, the projects will manifest different forms of learning processes and mediation. Taking into consideration the work produced by students at the Institute for Art and Architecture at the Academy of Fine Arts in Vienna during the winter term 2015, we will continue to experiment with spatial speculations on students' envisioned architectural schools of thought, sharing and exchanging our experiences and results with students and faculty from Vienna.

2. Design Seminar: London

During our Design Seminar we will travel to London to experience new forms of architectural mediation as well as meeting and working with our research partners at the Architectural Association School of Architecture (AA) among other institutions. See the Design Seminar description for more information.

3. La Biennale di Venezia

The student's work will be included in a publication, event and performance part of the Salon Suisse 2016^{iv} on the opening day of the 15th International Architecture Exhibition, La Biennale, in Venice.

ⁱ Dewey J. [2005], *Democracy and Education, Stilwek*, KS: DigiReads.com Publishing. [Original Work published in 1916]

ⁱⁱ *A new school of thought can be defined as a set of ideas and opinions on new methods of knowledge creation and on new forms of knowledge transfer, that a group of people dedicated to architecture and spatial planning share about architectural education.*

ⁱⁱⁱ www.uni.li/nest. NeST is being conducted in collaboration with the following research partners: the Architectural Association School of Architecture in London (AA), the Institute for Art and Architecture of the Academy of Fine Arts Vienna, the Faculty of Design Sciences of the University of Antwerp and Umeå University School of Architecture in Sweden.

^{iv} <https://biennials.ch/home/BiennialDetail.aspx?BiennialId=74&PosLeft=-4155px>