It is not possible, nor is it attempted in the University course, to supersede that training in the practice of architecture which can only be gained by direct contact with building works and by experience in an architect's office. In order that students may obtain some knowledge of the practical conduct of an architect's business and in order that their academic training may not lose touch with reality, all undergraduates are required to obtain employment during the summer months under an architect or builder, or to do equivalent practical work.

The University course is designed to train students in the principles which underlie the design of buildings, to give them practice in the solution of architectural problems, a know-ledge of the history and traditions of architecture and of the methods of construction at present in use.

Buildings of special interest, and buildings under construction are visited from time to time on which the students are required to write reports.

A "School" is held every year in September for the study of the old architecture of the Province. The drawings made by the students are of permanent value as historic records and the study of these buildings helps them to realise the value in architecture of local and traditional methods.

Foreign travel is very desirable to the completion of an architect's education. A scholarship for this purpose, of