

ARCHITECTS: WHAT TO DO AFTER GRADUATION? PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIPS AND STATE EXAM

From 2020, also in Lombardy it is possible to carry out a **Professional Internship to substitute the practical examination of the State Exam**¹.

If you are a graduate in Architecture or Building and Architectural Engineering at **Politecnico di Milano** and you are interested in doing the State Exam **starting from June 2021** you can benefit of the agreement signed between Politecnico di Milano, the **Board of Lombardy Architect and the Order APPC of Cremona and Lodi**:

The Professional Internship:

- › is done **entirely after graduation** and the firsts could start **from September 2020**.
- › has to last from **a minimum of 6 months to a maximum of 12 months**, for a period of **900 hours**. (Remember that you have to finish it before registering for the State Exam!)
- › can be done at a **public or private host organisation**.

Every Board of Architects participating in the agreement **gathers and selects the host organisations** of its own territorial competency and provides the documents for the starting of the internship.

Politecnico di Milano allocates the **insurance coverage** for the execution of your internship (accidents coverage and third-party liability) and will be the **location of the State Exam**.

The development of the Professional Internship:

1. Verify the **list of accredited Host Organisations** displayed in the “Internship” section of the website of the Board whose territorial area interests you
2. **Contact** the Host Organisations you are interested in
3. After having an agreement, download from the website of the Board the format of the Internship document, fill it out with the **Host Organisation** and sign it. The Internship Document has to be transmitted to the Board **in advance** with regards on the starting date of the Internship, in order to receive approval and countersignature from the Coordinator appointed by the Board
4. The Board will insert you in the **register of Trainees** and you can **start** the Internship!
5. During the Internship write up your **portfolio**², that you will transmit to the Board along with the **final report**³ **within 90 days from the ending of the Internship**
6. Get from the Board the validation of the Internship and the **certificate of performing** to bring to Politecnico, which will be the location of your State Exam.

For further information:

- › <https://www.architettilombardia.com/tirocini.asp>
- › <http://www.esamidistato.polimi.it/>

¹ Regarding the professions in Sections A e B of the Professional Register, as per D.P.R. n.328/2001

² See the format in the Regulations of the professional Internship posted on the website of the Board

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