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The Royal Architectural Institute of Canada (RAIC) upholds the right of architectural interns to receive payment for their work.

The profession has a responsibility to encourage students and graduates. A fair wage shows young people that their work is valued and recognizes the contribution they make to an office.

Compensation creates respect between present-day architects and future architects. It is essential, ethical professional practice.

Unpaid internships contradict the RAIC’s mission — to affirm that architecture matters and to support architects in achieving excellence.

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