



Intervention × Revitalization

Activation of Industrial Heritage as Place



JOINT SUMMER WORKSHOP SEU ARCH + ETSAB UPC

With the slowing down of the urbanisation process in China, cities have entered a phase of “built stock renewal”. The activation and redesign of industrial heritage has become a common theme in contemporary urban development. This academic summer project, jointly organised by the School of Architecture at Southeast University (SEU ARCH) and the Barcelona School of Architecture (ETSAB UPC), focuses on exploring and practising renewal and management strategies for a former national grain warehouse, built in 1982 and currently unused, located by the Qinhuai River in Nanjing. Based on a real site with concrete needs, the project aims to generate design proposals that offer new possibilities for its future transformation.

During the workshop, students from both institutions will work in groups to select one or two representative buildings within the industrial complex, developing architectural and environmental renewal proposals based on feasible operational strategies. Through an intercultural collaboration between East and West, the workshop seeks not only to reactivate new functions for these abandoned industrial spaces but also to strengthen academic cooperation between Chinese and European universities in the field of urban regeneration and architectural education.

PARTICIPANT UNIVERSITIES

SEU ARCH, School of Architecture, Southeast University, Nanjing, China
ETSAB-UPC Escola Tècnica Superior d'Arquitectura de Barcelona, Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya

FACULTY SUPERVISORS

SEU ARCH: Yuan Zhu, Weiqiao Wang, Zhengxin Wang (Teaching Assistant)
ETSAB-UPC: [To be confirmed]

DATES & PLACE

17 to 27 July 2025. Nanjing, China

FUNDING

The Tongxin Urban Renewal Education Fund at Southeast University will cover transport and accommodation costs for faculty and students from both universities during the workshop in Nanjing. Flight to Nanjing is not covered by the organization.

ACADEMIC RECOGNITION

2 ECTS elective (for GARq)

PLACES

6 spots for ETSAB students enrolled at:
Degree in Architecture Studies from 3rd year
Master Degrees in Architecture

APPLICATION

deadline: **10th June, 2025**
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