

**ESSENCE  
ACADEMY**

**Actionable  
knowledge.**  
**The sooner,  
the better.**





# Essence Academy in numbers

1.000

students each year,  
since 2010

1

vocational school in  
the world



Distinguished  
School

0

hours lost due to  
Covid-19



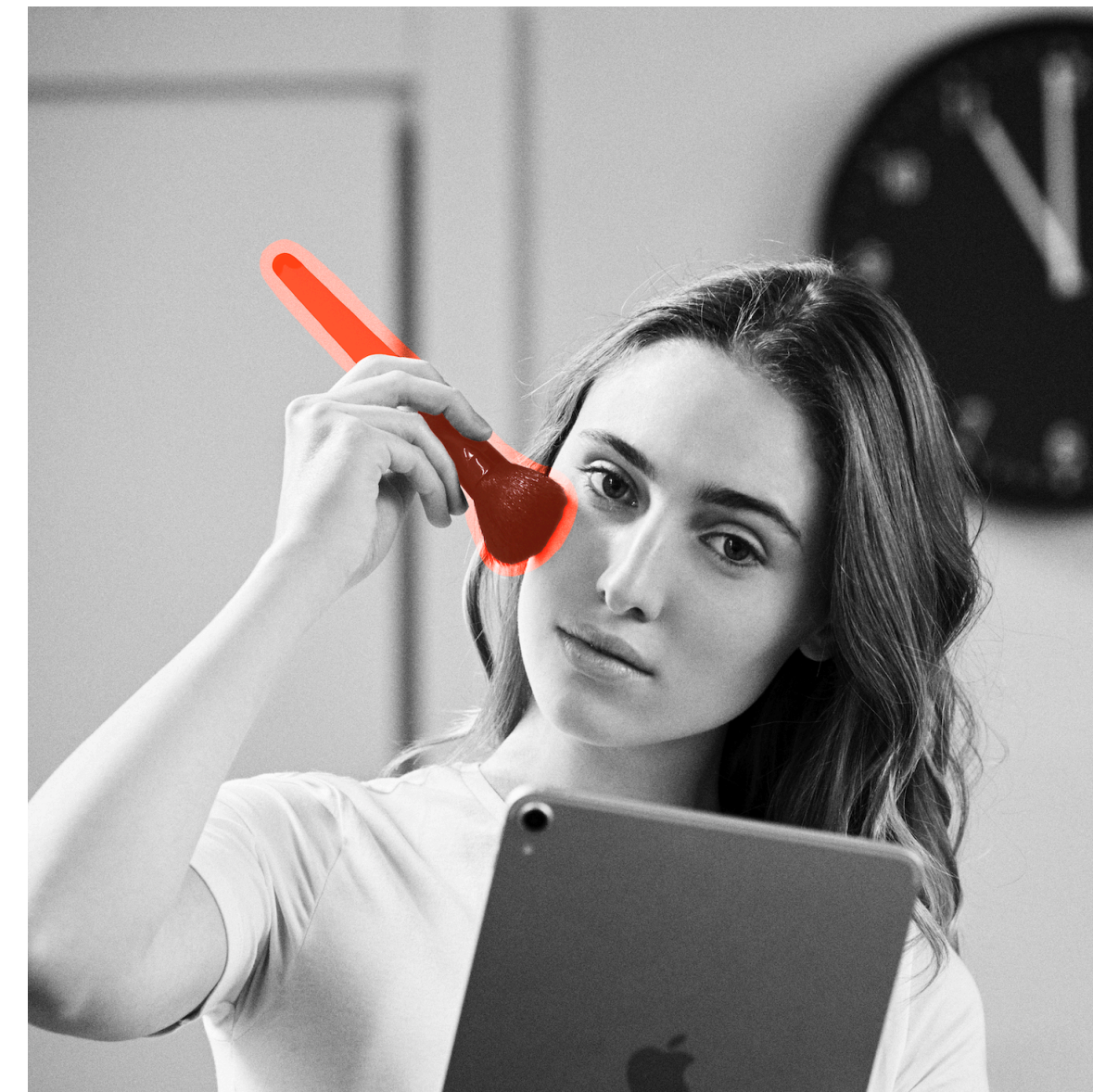
# Digital education for **modern artisans** (13-18)



**Digital Design**



**Fashion Design**



**Beauty & Wellness**



**Hairstyle**

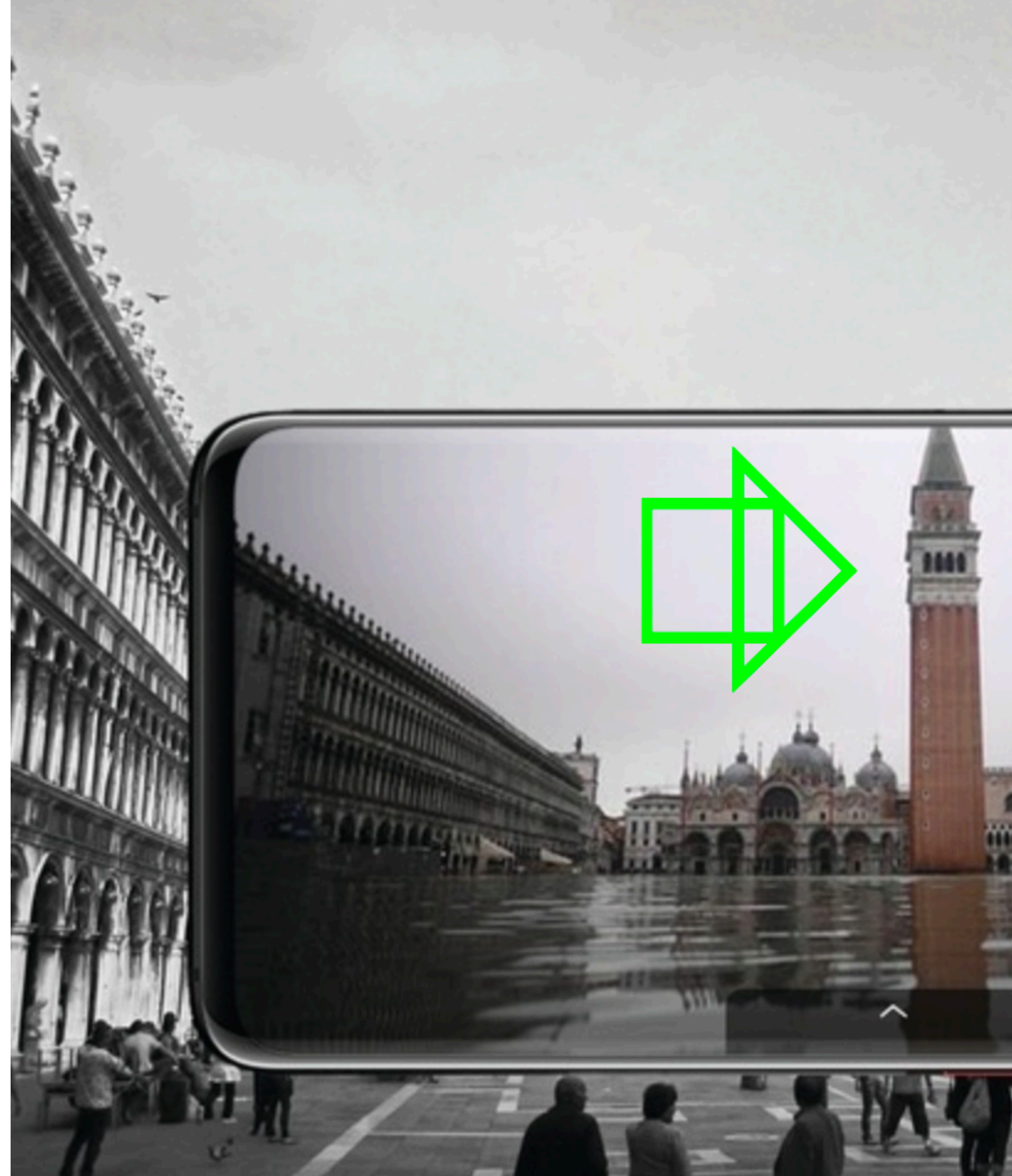


# Columbia University of NY

2nd level Master degree program in  
**Historic Preservation**

Workshop on **Digitization of Culture & Heritage** is run in Venice

We ran a similar workshop with **Italian 14 year-olds** via a **3-way partnership**





# Digitization of Culture & Historical Archives

1-week, 35-h, non-linear, hands-on, participative **workshop** on:

- Digital Conversion
- Algorithm Post-production
- 3D Rendering
- Video Making & Editing with AI
- Publishing with right tags and SEO
- Heritage Marketing Narrative





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**14 year-olds performed as well as their American counterparts.**

LIDAR tech available on iPhone & iPad.

They also took a new passion in otherwise “boring” subjects.

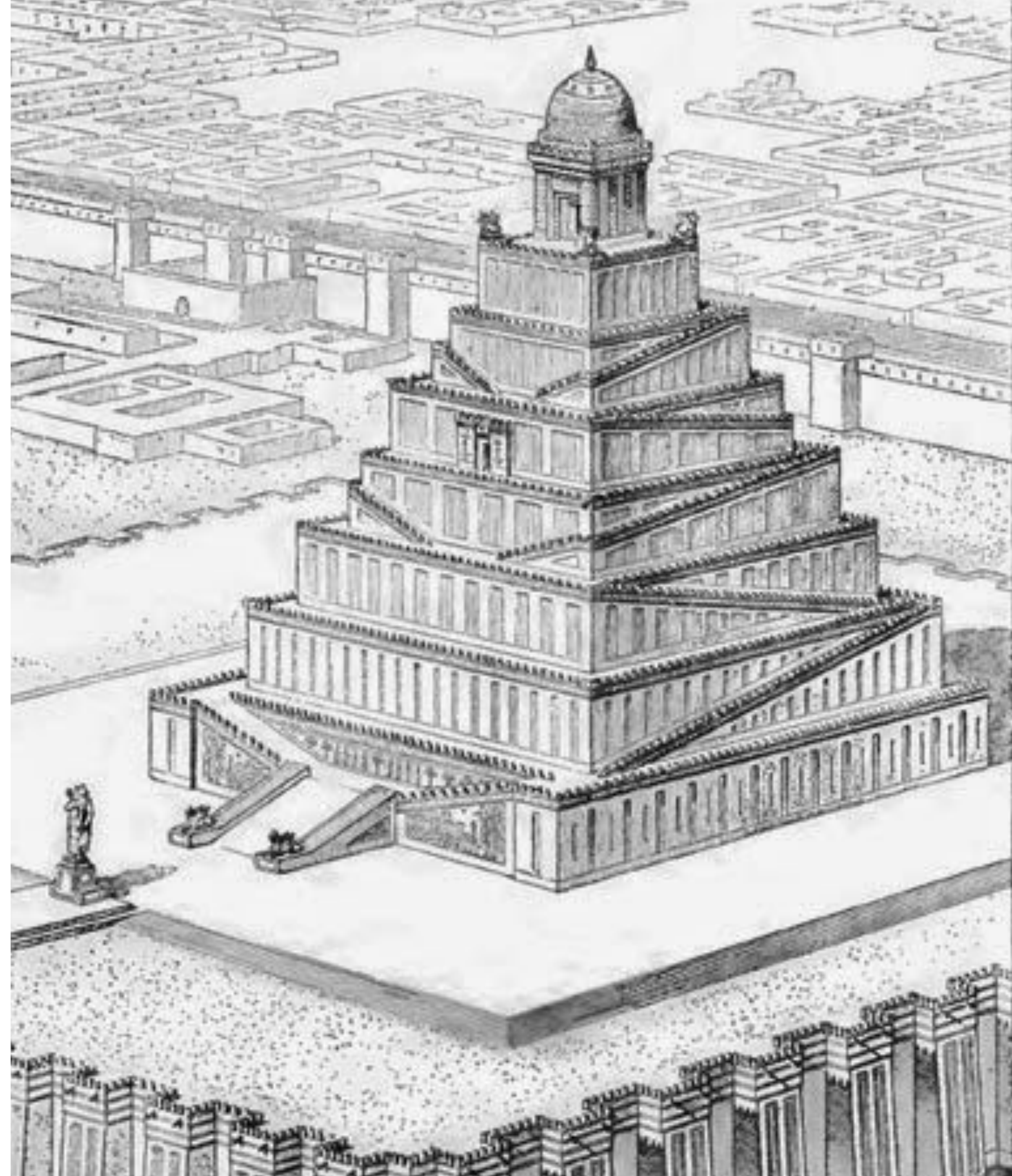




# Learning is no longer a linear process.

We are one click away  
from any information.

**But knowing and understanding  
have never been so far apart.**





# Connectivism

Learning is no more an individual process, it happens within and across networks.

**Connections** enabling more **knowledge & understanding** are more important than the current level of information.





# What Artificial Intelligence means

IT is not the enabler of the core **functions**. It is the core functions. Software does not help does who deliver **value**. It is the value deliverer.

Humans no longer tell machines what to do. It is the other way around.

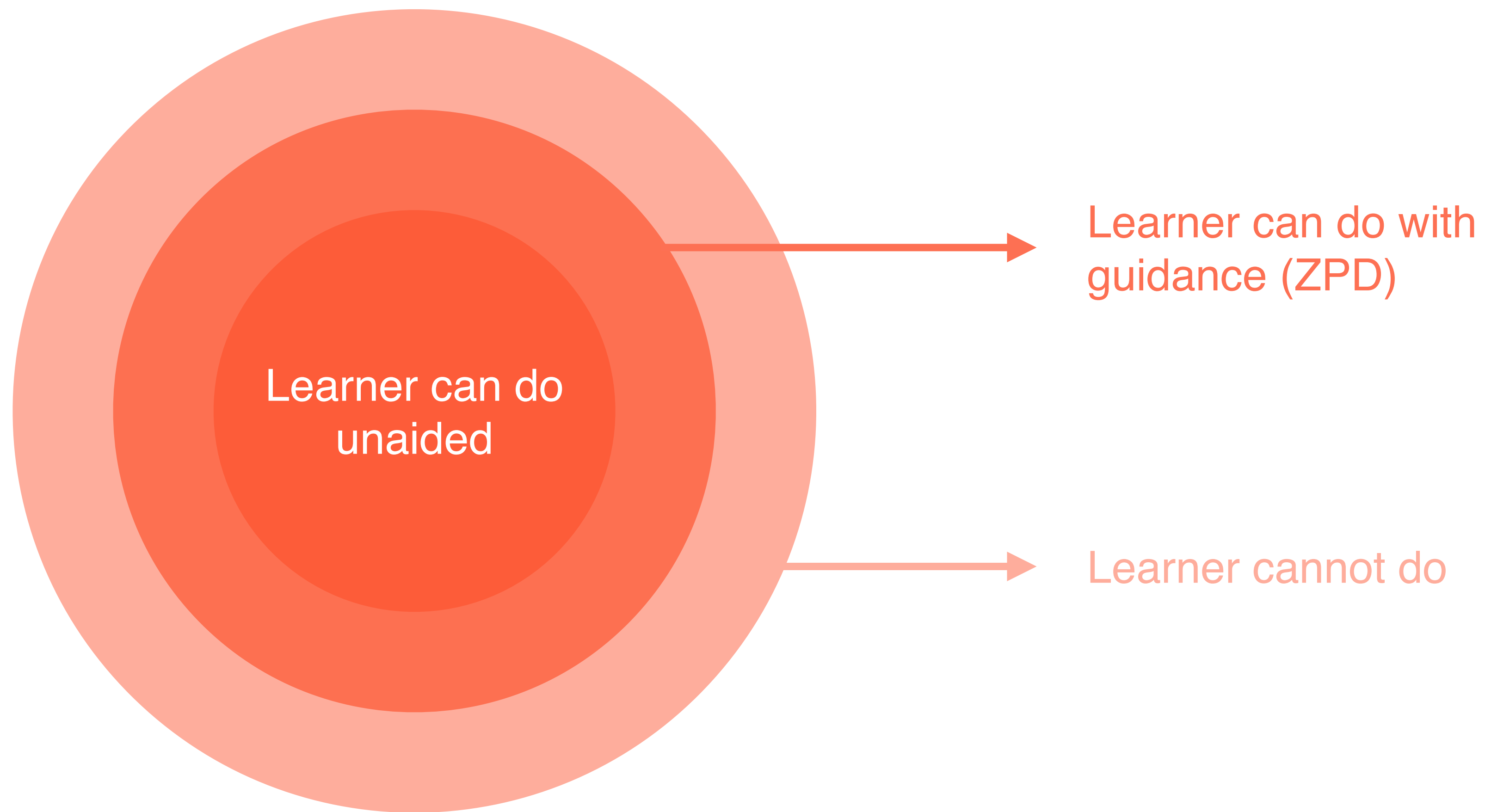
**Humans are called to ask WHY** and no longer HOW.

**Creative and actionable thinking** are needed.





# Zone of Proximal Development is key





# Widen specific ZPD

**Hands-on** experiences within ZPD



Widen ZPD via interaction with  
**More Knowledgeable Other**  
**(not only teacher!)**



**Improved** learning strategies,  
self-confidence



# Crafting a theory of Digital Education

Digitization of culture and heritage should become **curricular part of K12 programs.**

**TMO OP Priority Areas:**

*III. Project Scouting & Cooperation*

*V. Dissemination*





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**Thank you for  
your attention.**

