

ASSOCIATE OR FULL PROFESSOR OF ARCHITECTURE
COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE and GRADUATE SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE & URBAN DESIGN

The Sam Fox School of Design & Visual Arts at Washington University in St. Louis seeks a chair for the Master of Architecture program in the Graduate School of Architecture & Urban Design. This full-time academic position, with an administrative appointment as chair, will be at the level of associate or full professor commensurate with experience and qualifications. We are looking for an architect and educator with a strong record of successful studio teaching at the university level with a distinguished practice and/or creative research agenda and demonstrated potential for successful academic leadership. The appointment will begin August 2018.

The person in this position will have the opportunity to build on the outstanding reputation of the school to distinctly shape the future of the graduate architecture program and promote the visibility of student and faculty accomplishments. The chair will teach studio in the graduate architecture program, lead in development of curriculum, recruitment, mentoring and retention of students, and advancement of faculty teaching and research toward promotion. The chair will be responsible for fostering an interdisciplinary and collaborative setting to advance practice and research within graduate architecture and to strengthen this pedagogy across the university. She/he will work with the graduate chairs in urban design and landscape architecture, as well as the undergraduate architecture chair, to contribute and advance the overall mission of the college and graduate school.

The successful candidate will have an exemplary record in research and practice with significant professional or academic experience in architecture that contributes to the standing reputation of the program. In addition to chair responsibilities, the position will include service to the broader school, advising, and active participation in the life of the school, the university, and the larger community in a full-time capacity. Candidates should demonstrate a strong commitment to research and teaching – including a passion for studio teaching and relevant experience teaching architectural design – as well as commitment to innovative thinking and collaboration within the multidisciplinary mission of the university. Successful applicants shall also demonstrate leadership abilities in academic and/or design practice roles. A record of faculty governance, management, implementation of initiatives, and consensus building is expected. Candidates will foster diversity on campus, in the curriculum, and across the discipline. The minimum educational requirement is a Master of Architecture.

Diversity and inclusion are core values at Washington University, and the strong candidate will demonstrate the ability to create inclusive classrooms and environments in which a diverse array of students can learn and thrive.

Washington University in St. Louis is committed to the principles and practices of equal employment opportunity. It is the University's policy to recruit, hire, train, and promote persons in all job titles without regard to race, color, age, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, national origin, protected veteran status, disability, or genetic information.

Applications shall be submitted online via SlideRoom. Applications are due on January 10, 2018, and the search will remain open until the position is filled. Questions shall be directed to Angie Gunn, Assistant to the Director, at angela.gunn@wustl.edu.

Materials requested include a letter of interest, curriculum vitae, statement with a plan for research and/or creative work, statement of teaching interest and philosophy, portfolio of research and/or creative work, teaching portfolio of student work, as well as the names and contact information for three references.

INSTITUTIONAL BACKGROUND

The Sam Fox School of Design & Visual Arts at Washington University in St. Louis is a unique collaboration in architecture, art, and design education within the context of an internationally recognized research university. Comprising the College and Graduate School of Architecture & Urban Design, the College and Graduate School of Art and the Mildred Lane Kemper Art Museum, the Sam Fox School offers a depth of professional education in conjunction with one of the premier university art museums.

The College of Architecture, one of the founding members of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture, enrolls approximately 200 students and offers a four-year undergraduate degree leading to a Bachelor of Science in Architecture or a Bachelor of Design in Architecture. This flexibility allows students to pursue other academic interests within the University. The nationally ranked Graduate School of Architecture & Urban Design enrolls approximately 300 students and offers design-centered programs of critical inquiry and professional preparation, including international venues in Barcelona, Berlin, and Buenos Aires. The Graduate School offers professional degrees in Architecture and Landscape Architecture, along with post-professional degrees in Urban Design. Additional post-professional degrees include: Master of Science in Advanced Architectural Design and Master of Science in Architectural Studies. Along with dual degree options between the three programs, there are joint degree options with Construction Management, Social Work, Computer Science and Business.

The College of Art offers the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in Communication Design, Digital Imaging & Photography, Fashion Design, Painting, Printmaking/Drawing, and Sculpture. The Graduate School of Art offers the Master of Fine Arts in Visual Art through an academically rigorous, individualized course of study that encourages creative activity and collaboration across disciplines and media. Together, the College and Graduate School of Art enroll approximately 300 undergraduate and 52 graduate students with 45 faculty members. The College is a founding member of the National Association of Schools of Art and Design.

The Sam Fox School is housed in a five-building complex of new and recently renovated facilities that includes: the Mildred Lane Kemper Art Museum, home to one of the finest university collections of important paintings, sculptures, photographs, and installation by 19th-, 20th-, and 21st-century American and European artists, along with significant antiquities and a large number of prints and drawings; and Walker Hall, a state-of-the-art facility for material manipulation and individual studios for all students in painting and sculpture. Weil Hall, a new graduate center for art and architecture is currently in design development and is scheduled to break ground in 2017.

The Sam Fox School hosts a lively series of lectures, symposia, and exhibitions and enjoys strong collaborations with the Pulitzer Foundation for the Arts, Laumeier Sculpture Park, the Contemporary Art Museum St. Louis, Missouri Botanical Garden, and the Saint Louis Art Museum.

Washington University is an independent research university dedicated to challenging its faculty and students to seek new knowledge and greater understanding of an ever-changing, multicultural world. The University is counted among the world's leaders in teaching and research, and draws students and faculty from all 50 states and more than 110 nations. The University is highly regarded for its commitment to excellence in learning. Its programs, administration, facilities, resources, and activities combine to further its mission of teaching, research, and service to society.