

UWM Department of Architecture One-Year Fellowship in Architectural Activism

The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee School of Architecture & Urban Planning (SARUP) is offering a one-year fellowship to support a scholar(s) whose work focuses on matters of contemporary urgency. These could include equity in the built environment, environmental justice, collaborative modes of practice, the role of inclusive architecture education, relationships between identity and design, investigation into climate change mitigation connected to social and environmental justice, and other topics.

Given the unique pressures of this time, both in the wider discipline and in higher education, SARUP is particularly (but not exclusively) interested in proposals that investigate the relationship of the fellow's practice to local or regional aspects of Milwaukee life, culture and urbanism. The fellow in architectural activism can expect the support of SARUP colleagues to facilitate connections to organizations and individuals who will amplify avenues of research opportunity even within a short period of residency.

SARUP acknowledges the historic inequities in academia, architecture and urban planning that have made access to robust and sustainable research careers unattainable for many people from minoritized backgrounds. To open this fellowship to scholars whose experience may have been hindered by a lack of resources, tokenization of focus area and/or invisible labors of service often required of minoritized people, SARUP offers the opportunity to co-teach in the architectural core curriculum, a dedicated teaching + research mentor, and a student research assistant for the duration of the fellowship (contingent on available funding).

Fellows who may be innovative and emerging designers, architecture practitioners, and scholars are required to conduct design research and to participate in the SARUP community through the teaching of studios and seminars. Each 9-month fellowship (with institutional support, including access to the library and facilities, extended through the summer) includes teaching responsibilities that focus on the core studio curriculum at the undergraduate or graduate levels, and equally important, an elective studio and seminar driven by the fellow's research agenda. At the culmination of the fellowship term and with the support of a stipend, fellows are expected to complete a final project that can be disseminated at a national level. Fellowship recipients will be expected to deliver a lecture on the subject of their fellowship research in the SARUP Guest Lecture Series, disseminate the research through peer-reviewed journals, conferences and other written media, and exhibit related work in SARUP's gallery.

The Department of Architecture is committed to creating a more inclusive and diverse institution and seeks candidates with demonstrated potential and research breadth, including those from diverse racial, ethnic, gender, historically underrepresented, differently abled, and disadvantaged backgrounds to contribute positively to its diverse community.

Minimum Qualifications: A graduate, or professional degree, or degree commensurate with the candidate's area of expertise is required.

Preferred Qualifications: Candidates should possess 1) exemplary design and/or research potential, as may be demonstrated by built work, design exhibitions, and/or published articles in academic journals; 2) demonstrated evidence of potential to teach design studio and related courses; 3) a clearly articulated project as it relates to the call to be conducted during the fellowship year.

Special Instructions to Applicants:

Applications must be submitted online at: <http://jobs.uwm.edu/postings/30346>. Candidates should submit a cover letter that includes a proposal of their fellowship project, curriculum vitae, list of

references, and portfolio (upload as “Other Document 1”). The proposal should include a statement describing the candidate’s teaching aspirations and the anticipated outcome for the fellowship.

Review of applications will begin on January 15, 2021. Applications and all materials must be posted by January 14, 2021 to assure consideration.

Applications received after January 14, 2021 may not receive consideration.

The University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee is an AA/EEO employer. For the UWM Campus Security Report see <http://www.uwm.edu/CleryAct>, or call the Office of Student Life, Mellencamp Hall 118 at 414-229-462. Note: The names of all applicants who have not requested that their identities be withheld, and the names of all finalists, will be released upon request, consistent with Wisconsin open records law. Note: A criminal background check is required for this position.

Description of School/College/Dept/Program:

The [Department of Architecture](#) is part of the [School of Architecture & Urban Planning \(SARUP\)](#) at the [University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee](#). As Wisconsin’s only accredited school of Architecture, SARUP celebrated its 50th anniversary year in 2019, including its recognition as a Center for Excellence in the UW System. SARUP is home to two significant international design awards, the Marcus Prize and the Urban Edge Award. Both highlight SARUP’s commitment to Milwaukee and urbanism by bringing international talent into studios. SARUP also offers a unique range of externally funded studios, building long-term relationships with regional industrial and institutional partners. In addition to many community-based projects, SARUP also hosts the Mobile Design Box, an off-campus community engagement space available to SARUP faculty. The Department of Architecture offers BSAS, M. Arch., M.S. and Ph.D. degree programs and faculty are encouraged to teach at all levels. A new 30 credit Master of Urban Design will enroll students starting in fall 2021.

Located on Lake Michigan, Milwaukee is a city of diverse, walkable and livable neighborhoods. Milwaukee’s lively arts and cultural scene, combined with its Great Lakes and river watershed ecology, historic fabric, and mix of cultures, offers many avenues for research and design inspiration.