SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE, MULTIPLE TENURE-TRACK FACULTY POSITIONS IN ARCHITECTURE AND URBANISM

The School of Architecture in the Faculty of Engineering at the University of Waterloo invites applications for exceptional scholars and researchers for two tenure track positions at the rank of Assistant Professor in various areas of architecture, urbanism and design research with anticipated start dates of July 2022. In the case of an exceptional candidate, an appointment at the rank of Associate Professor or Full Professor will be considered.

The successful candidate must have a PhD or terminal degree in Architecture or an equivalent discipline, with professional designation considered an asset.

With a long-standing commitment to the expanded consideration of design at the intersections – from psychology to poetics, ecological care and technology, through social studies and across creative arts – the School of Architecture of the University of Waterloo welcomes thinkers and designers who critically engage the discipline of architecture from far-reaching perspectives. We strongly value critical and creative engagement with the breadth of architecture as a discipline, and we are particularly interested in candidates with evidence of research and teaching to support the agency of design, architecture, and urbanism to engage social and environmental justice. Evidence of an actively developing and critical design as research program is required, with emphasis on or intersection with one or several of the following areas: Design for climate change; Cultural history, theory and criticism; Participatory design and community engagement; Landscapes, ecology and resilience; Urban design, planning and adaptive reuse; Digital fabrication, materials research and design processes.

Applicants must demonstrate potential or have proven ability to develop an internationally recognized research program, must have excellent communication skills, and must have a strong commitment to teaching. The role will include ongoing development of the graduate and undergraduate curriculum, work to support the School of Architecture’s Racial Equity and Environmental Justice commitments, expansion of the School of Architecture’s technology resources and facilities, and development of a successful research project with research funding generated in collaboration with external professional, academic and industrial organizations. The School of Architecture expects the successful candidate to teach in studio, in tutorial-based lecture courses, and to lead seminars at undergraduate and graduate levels in core and elective streams, integrating technology, design, and culture.

The School of Architecture offers a Canadian Architectural Certification Board (CACB) accredited professional program consisting of a four-year Honours Bachelor of Architectural Studies followed by a Professional Master of Architecture. Cultural literacy, environmental stewardship, design excellence, technological innovation and a professional trajectory are central to the School’s curriculum and culture. The School has had a second location in Rome for 40 years, in which all fourth-year students study. The undergraduate curriculum also includes 24 months of co-operative work term experience, half of which are typically outside Canada, in many award-winning offices. The School thus maintains close connections with design offices around the world that employ students on work terms, and with professional organizations and individuals in related disciplines. The University of Waterloo excels at experiential learning via the world’s largest post-secondary co-operative education program.

As part of the University of Waterloo Faculty of Engineering, the School of Architecture offers the opportunity for cross-collaborations with other specialized programs - including Architectural Engineering, Biomedical Engineering, Civil and Environmental Engineering, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Mechanical and Mechatronics Engineering, Nanotechnology, Systems Design, Geography and Environmental Management, and the School of Planning - as well as centers or research groups such as the Water Institute (https://uwaterloo.ca/water-institute/), Interdisciplinary Centre on Climate Change (https://uwaterloo.ca/climate-centre/), the Living Architecture Systems group (www.lasg.ca) and the Buoyant Foundation Project (http://buoyantfoundation.org/). The University of Waterloo is located in the Greater Waterloo Region - a key technology corridor in the Ontario and Canada - and it
has connections with industries and organizations there. Waterloo is a comprehensive university, recognized globally as a center of research in high technology and innovative teaching.

The salary range for this position at the Assistant Professor rank is 110,000 to 150,000. The closing date for applications is February 15th, 2022. Three letters of reference will be requested for applicants invited for an interview. Send curriculum vitae, cover letter, teaching and research statements and up to ten examples of research, teaching and design projects as well as publications to Anne Bordeleau, O’Donovan Director, by submitting electronically to directorarchitecture@uwaterloo.ca.

The University of Waterloo acknowledges that much of our work takes place on the traditional territory of the Neutral, Anishinaabeg and Haudenosaunee peoples. Our main campus is situated on the Haldimand Tract, the land granted to the Six Nations of the Grand River that includes six miles on each side of the Grand River. Our active work toward reconciliation takes place across our campuses through research, learning, teaching, and community building, and is centralized within our Indigenous Initiatives Office (https://uwaterloo.ca/human-rights-equity-inclusion/indigenousinitiatives).

The University values the diverse and intersectional identities of its students, faculty, and staff. The University regards equity and diversity as an integral part of academic excellence and is committed to accessibility for all employees. The University of Waterloo seeks applicants who embrace our values of equity, anti-racism and inclusion. As such, we encourage applications from candidates who have been historically disadvantaged and marginalized, including applicants who identify as Indigenous peoples (e.g., First Nations, Métis, Inuit/Inuk), Black, racialized, people with disabilities, women and/or 2SLGBTQ+.

The University of Waterloo is committed to accessibility for persons with disabilities. If you have any application, interview or workplace accommodation requests, please contact Emily Stafford, Administrative Officer, at Emily.stafford@waterloo.ca. Please also contact Emily Stafford if you have any questions regarding the position, the application process, assessment process, or eligibility.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.

Three reasons to apply: https://uwaterloo.ca/faculty-association/why-waterloo.