

Florida International University is a <u>top public university</u> that drives real talent and innovation in Miami and globally. Very high research (R1) activity and high social mobility come together at FIU to uplift and accelerate learner success in a global city by focusing in the areas of environment, health, innovation, and justice. Today, FIU has two campuses and multiple centers. FIU serves a diverse student body of more than 56,000 and 290,000 Panther alumni. U.S. News and World Report places dozens of FIU programs among the best in the nation, including international business at No. 2. Washington Monthly Magazine ranks FIU among the top 20 public universities contributing to the public good.

# Assistant Professor, Architecture (History + Theory)

# **Position Description**

The Department of Architecture in the College of Communication, Architecture + The Arts invites applications for a full-time, nine-month, tenure-track faculty position at the Assistant Professor level starting Fall semester of 2024. The program is particularly interested in candidates with research experience and a successful record of scholarship and a humanities-based approach to the built environment, settlements, and/or civilization. The Department seeks individuals with a PhD/Doctoral degree in Architecture or an allied field, who are committed to excellence in teaching. Responsibilities include undergraduate and graduate courses in history/theory, seminars, and design studios, if appropriate, as well as participation in design reviews. The successful candidate may participate in the Doctorate of Design program and teach and advise students in their area of expertise.

The Department of Architecture has integrated issues of environmental and social justice into all aspects of the curriculum. This position offers an opportunity to rethink the content and format of the current three-semester architectural history survey with considerations of how design engages the natural environment and all peoples, inclusive of ethnicity, economic standing, gender, and religion. Applications are encouraged from candidates with expertise in both pre and post 20<sup>th</sup> century architectural history and theory.

In addition, the Department encourages collaboration and interdisciplinary initiatives with the Departments of Interior Architecture and Landscape Architecture + Environmental Urban Design. The Department of Architecture also enjoys close ties with the FIU Wolfsonian Public Humanities Lab, a synergistic hub for community engagement in the humanities; and with the FIU Institute of Environment, a comprehensive solutions center dedicated to combating environmental crises. Both offer opportunities for collaborative, grant-based research.

## Qualifications

Successful applicants must hold a PhD/doctoral degree in Architecture or an allied field. Qualified candidates are encouraged to apply to Job Opening ID 530983 at <u>https://facultycareers.fiu.edu/</u>.

Please include the following materials in your application:

- Letter of interest (maximum two pages) that summarizes the candidate's background and teaching, research, and service objectives. Letter should also speak to your record of or potential for contributing to a more diverse, equitable and inclusive campus community.
- 2. Curriculum Vitae.
- 3. Statement of teaching and research.
- 4. Sample writing, and/or other evidence of research or scholarly activity.
- 5. Names and contact information of three references. They will be contacted if the applicant is shortlisted or as determined by the search committee.

Direct any questions to Elisa Silva, Chair of the Search Committee, via email at: elsilva@fiu.edu. For full consideration, applications and required materials should be received by December 1, 2023. Applications will be accepted, and review will continue, until the position is filled.

# About the FIU College of Communication, Architecture + The Arts

The FIU College of Communication, Architecture + The Arts (CARTA) provides students with the distinct experience of working closely with an award-winning faculty in nationally ranked accredited programs in the heart of Miami, North Miami, Miami Beach, and Wynwood—four of the country's most vibrant, diverse, and creative cities. CARTA emphasizes experiential learning, where students learn by doing through art and design studios and real-world projects; performances and productions; a student-run communication agency; and student news bureaus in Miami, New York City and Washington DC. Focused on its engaged mission of driving the information, innovation, and cultural economy of South Florida and beyond, CARTA is committed to a trans-disciplinary, experiential learning curriculum that prepares graduates for meaningful careers and leadership in their chosen professions.

## About the FIU Department of Architecture and School of Architecture

Within the College of Communication, Architecture + The Arts, the Department of Architecture resides in the School of Architecture, with the Department of Interior Architecture and Department of Landscape Architecture + Environmental Urban Design. All three departments share a rich history of interdisciplinary design and research collaboration. All programs in the three Departments are designated as Federal STEM disciplines. This entitles students to apply for up to 3 years of employment in the United States under the OPT system. The School of Architecture was ranked #17 among public universities in North America by the 2023 QS World University Rankings by Subject. The Department of Architecture was also ranked #19 by DesignIntelligence among programs whose graduates are most hired nationwide.

As part of a minority serving university, with over 650 students, the Department of Architecture educates students in the profession of architecture to become thoughtful practitioners and critical thinkers. Students arrive at various points in their educational careers—as freshmen, as third-year transfer students, and as graduate students to pursue an accredited, professional Master of Architecture (MArch) degree. The department has recently instituted a post-professional Doctorate of Design (DDes) degree, which draws students internationally and offers them opportunities to teach and pursue funded research while studying. The School of Architecture facilities are housed in the award-wining Paul L. Cejas School of Architecture Building designed by Bernard Tschumi, which includes the Robotics and Digital Fabrication Lab, and Structural and Environmental Technologies Labs. Additional facilities include the School of Architecture Miami Beach Urban Studios that houses the CARTA Innovation Lab, and a new facility in the Wynwood Arts District. Our faculty is engaged in a wide range of research and creative activities in sustainability and climate change, urbanism, affordable housing, green building automation, innovative teaching techniques, culture, and history of global modernism, performative scripting, digital fabrication, and architectural installations. To enhance student learning and support faculty research, the Department offers a broad range of study abroad programs. The FIU School of Architecture supports a diverse and inclusive environment that challenges biases and prejudices as part of its academic curriculum, design studios, and engagement with the community. These ideals are championed by the students, staff, and faculty members of the school. For more information about Architecture at FIU, visit http://carta.fiu.edu/architecture/.

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