

Position Announcement



**Director, School of Architecture
College of Architecture and Landscape Architecture
The University of Arizona**

The College of Architecture and Landscape Architecture (CALA) at The University of Arizona (UA) invites applications and nominations for the position of Director of the School of Architecture. The School seeks a dynamic leader in the field of architectural education with a commitment to collaborative interdisciplinary teaching, scholarship, and outreach within a collegial and diverse learning environment.

CALA is at the forefront of design for environmental sustainability and has a long tradition of preparing its graduates for positions of leadership in professional practice. Located in the oldest continuously inhabited city in the United States, Tucson, Arizona, CALA combines knowledge from a culturally rich history with cutting-edge environmental research and new technologies to envision global arid communities of the future. Faculty and students contribute ideas toward solving the major challenges facing humankind and the globe – designing for energy and water conservation, and planning for urban infrastructure, health care, and the preservation of cultural heritage. The University of Arizona is ranked 21st among all research universities nationwide and is an international leader in environmental science and policy, global climate change, energy, and solar research.

The School of Architecture is committed to a design sensibility honed in the edge conditions of an extreme climate on a major international border. In the practice of appropriate design and scholarly methods, UA Architecture students and faculty respond to the local context of the Sonoran Desert and its communities while developing a process of analysis and investigation that is portable globally. Our desert setting thus offers inspiration and guidance in the study of delicate and unique ecologies worldwide. Supported by one of the largest materials research laboratories in North America, the UA School of Architecture emphasizes the development of skills in the synthesis of theory, technology, materials, and context. The UA Bachelor of Architecture program was ranked 12th by *Design Intelligence* in 2008.

In collaboration with the faculty, the Director is responsible for academic visioning; personnel and budgetary management; interdepartmental collaboration and interdisciplinary activity; external relations with the profession and the community; curriculum development; faculty and student development; fund raising; and internal relations within the larger university. The Director also serves as a member of the college leadership team giving strategic guidance to the college. The directorship is a twelve-month, full-time position involving administration, teaching, and continuing scholarship and/or practice. It is anticipated that the candidate will be appointed at the academic rank of Professor with tenure. The Director reports to the college Dean.

Candidates must possess a Master's degree in Architecture and maintain professional architectural registration. Preferred candidates will possess a distinguished record of professional practice and/or a Ph.D. Prior academic administrative responsibility and experience with international programs is preferred. Candidates should have a demonstrated commitment to collaborative interdisciplinary teaching, scholarship, and outreach and the development of a collegial and diverse learning environment.

Review of applications will begin on December 11, 2009 and continue until the position is filled. Position will begin on July 1, 2010. All applicants should submit a letter of interest outlining experience and educational vision, curriculum vita, and five references. Send applications and nominations to: R. Brooks Jeffery, Director, Drachman Institute and Search Committee Chair, College of Architecture and Landscape Architecture, The University of Arizona, P.O. Box 210075, Tucson AZ 85721. In addition, candidates must complete a formal application on-line at: www.hr.arizona.edu/, job #43412.

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