

TENNESSEE ARCHITECTURE FELLOWSHIP

The Tennessee Architecture Fellowship is awarded annually to someone at or near the beginning of a teaching career. Appointed at the rank of Adjunct Assistant Professor, the Tennessee Architecture Fellow spends one academic year in the School of Architecture at the University of Tennessee College of Architecture and Design in Knoxville. Fellows will teach three courses and pursue a self-driven design research, creative scholarship, or critical project. The year as Fellow culminates in a lecture/presentation and exhibit of the research within the College of Architecture and Design. While the Tennessee Architecture Fellowship will be awarded competitively on an annual basis, successful Fellows are eligible to have their academic appointments renewed for a second year, dependent on staffing priorities and upon review of their teaching, research and creative practice. This will be a full-time, non-tenure track appointment.

This initiative will recognize and foster emerging design educators whose work shows extraordinary promise for the future of the discipline of architecture. Two strategic research themes have been established to both organize the school's approach to this initiative and to help candidates prepare competitive applications:

1. **Energy + Urbanism.** The School of Architecture is positioned in a region with an amazing legacy of federally funded initiatives. The Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) has irrefutably impacted the culture of our region. The infrastructure of hydroelectric, nuclear, and coal-powered energy production has broad implications on the relationship of energy production, consumption and patterns of settlement and use. Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) is a community of international computation scientists working on Department of Energy-sponsored research that will impact the future of building industries, transportation systems and modes of manufacturing. The Great Smoky Mountains National Park (GRSM) is the nation's most visited national park and constitutes a third point of interest within the region of East Tennessee. As the relationships between the natural environment and manmade systems change to reflect shifts in conceptions of the environment, large acreage of managed wilderness offer the opportunity to calibrate new environmentalisms. The School of Architecture is focused on these noteworthy regional conditions and is looking for creative scholarship and design research initiatives that engage the region in order to speak to and about the world.

2. **Digital Craft.** In the fall of 2014, the College of Architecture and Design opened the FabLab in a historic masonry building in downtown Knoxville. The 20,000 square-foot facility boasts approximately \$750,000 in new tools and machines including 3D printers, laser cutters, CNC mills and routers, a large-bed waterjet cutter, and AAB robotic manipulators. This new tooling adds to a shop culture that is well equipped with standard metal and woodworking equipment. These new technologies allow students and faculty to explore digital fabrication and extend the purview of craft-based production that, in part, defines the sensibilities of the region of East Tennessee. Students and faculty are excited about this new infrastructure and how it extends our capacity for meaningfully engaging the profession and discipline of architecture. Given these new capacities for the School of Architecture, we invite Fellowship applicants interested in executed impactful research through making in the context of digital fabrication.

While priority will be given to Fellow applications that foreground one of these two strategic initiatives, the selection committee will also consider strong candidates whose research is tangential or outside the proposed lines of inquiry.

Eligibility

Architects and designers from a range of allied design professions and disciplines who are interested in operating in an educational capacity and can demonstrate a significant engagement with architecture as a medium of design are encouraged to apply.

How to Apply

Please submit the following application materials in the form of a single PDF (not larger than 25 MB):

- Letter of Purpose
- Current curriculum vitae
- One-page proposal describing the design/research project to be undertaken
- Ten-page digital portfolio of design/research work
- Names and contact information for three references (to be contacted at the finalist stage)
- Please title the PDF: Lastname_Firstname_TNFellow.pdf
- Submit the PDF by email attachment to architecture.fellowship@utk.edu

Timeline

December 5, 2016_	Review of Applications Begins
January 2017_	Skype Interviews with Intermediate Short List
February 2017_	Campus Interviews for Finalists
March 2017_	Announcement of 2017-18 Tennessee Architecture Fellow

For more information on the College of Architecture + Design see: archdesign.utk.edu

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