Professor and Head of Architecture – The Design School
Herberger Institute for Design and the Arts at Arizona State University

The Design School in the Herberger Institute for Design and the Arts at Arizona State University (ASU) invites applications for a full-time tenured appointment at professor level, and administrative program head beginning fall 2018.

ASU’s model for the New American University perforates the barriers between disciplines, promoting collaboration among diverse groups of faculty and students. ASU is a place where local solutions translate to global impact. This has helped make ASU the #1 University for Innovation – ahead of MIT and Stanford – in both the 2016 and 2017 U.S. News and World Report rankings. The university has four campuses located throughout metropolitan Phoenix, the nation’s fifth largest city. The university champions intellectual and cultural diversity and has roughly 98,000 students and 3,000 faculty from all fifty states and more than one hundred nations across the globe.

ASU’s Herberger Institute for Design and the Arts, the largest comprehensive design and arts school in the nation, is a vibrant example of the of the New American University philosophy. With nearly 5,000 students, more than 400 faculty and faculty associates, 135 degree options and a tradition of top-ranked programs, the Herberger Institute is built on a combination of disciplines unlike any other program in the nation. The institute includes the School of Art, School of Arts, Media and Engineering, The Design School, School of Film, Dance and Theatre, School of Music, and the ASU Art Museum. Through recognizing that design and the arts are critical resources for transforming society and solving complex problems, ASU’s Herberger Institute is committed to positioning artists, scholars, designers, and educators at the center of public life. herbergerinstitute.asu.edu.

The Design School is the largest and most comprehensive design school in the country. It plays prominent roles in design research, pedagogy and public engagement within the Herberger Institute, the University and the greater Phoenix community. Over the next year the Design School is embarking on an exciting ‘redesign’ process – building the next great American design school at the New American University, a school that is relevant, equitable and collaborative. The strategic planning process will engage the local community, country and world in defining what a design school in the future will look like. This position will join the School on that journey to help lead the field of design education into the future. Currently, the school has approximately 55 full-time faculty and 1,500 students enrolled in programs in architecture, industrial design, interior design, landscape architecture, urban design and visual communication design. The Design School faculty work on a variety of issues – from addressing the future of the Rio Salado in Metropolitan Phoenix to partnering with Google on increasing human satisfaction to working with communities across the globe to address critical issues of sustainability. In addition, the school’s curricula and research are grounded in its commitment to prepare the next generation of designers to engage in collaborative multi-disciplinary inquiry so that they may work productively within and beyond the boundaries of their respective disciplines.
The Architecture program features a strong and diverse faculty, collaborative relationships with Landscape Architecture, Urban Design, the Master of Science in the Built Environment and all other programs in the school. Ranked #4 in the Nation for Sustainability by DesignIntelligence in 2016, the program offers a Masters of Architecture (M.Arch), which is accredited by the National Architectural Accreditation Board, a four year pre-professional Bachelors of Science in Design in Architectural Studies, and a Minor in Architectural Studies. In addition, the School also supports two graduate research degree programs conferring respectively a Master of Science in the Built Environment and a Doctor of Philosophy in Design, Environment and the Arts, as well as concurrent Master’s degree options with each of the other programs in The Design School. ASU M.Arch students also pursue Concurrent Master’s degree options, partnered with ASU’s School of Sustainability, W.P. Carey School of Business, and the Biomimicry Center.

The successful candidate is expected to work with the Director of The Design School and other design program heads on the transformation of the Design School and Architecture Program as described above. This job is will be a unique opportunity to be part of shaping an Architecture program for the 21st century learning environment, building a program to be collaborative, relevant to Arizona’s complex environments and society (and relevant to the United States and the world), and one that is equitable in its structure and practice. The new Head of Architecture will also engage allied disciplines across the University, teach courses in the BSD and M.Arch degree programs, make teaching assignments for the Architecture faculty, engage alumni and the local Architecture professional community, and mentor junior faculty in their work within and beyond The Design School. The candidate should possess leadership experience in architectural institutions and demonstrate the potential to transform architectural curriculum and faculty in an innovative academic environment. The Design School has a long history of community engagement, and a new Community Design Center will be opening in January of 2018. The candidate will also be expected to advise faculty and participate in service to the Program, School, Institute and University.

Required Qualifications:

- An accredited graduate professional degree in architecture or international equivalent, with professional experience in architecture, design sustainability, or urban design.
- Experience teaching architecture design studios and courses related to the applicant’s area of research and/or creative activities with an interest in interdisciplinary practices.

Desired Qualifications:

- Professional registration/licensure in architecture.
- Additional studies in sustainability, urban design, or a PhD in architecture or a related field.
- Demonstrated excellence leading architectural institutions with strategic initiatives and/or creative activities.
- Demonstrated experience developing and teaching interdisciplinary design curriculum.
- Demonstrated potential to develop and sustain a research agenda capable of achieving national or international recognition.
- Commitment to exploring the current and future role of architecture in environmentally and socially responsible design practices
- Experience commensurate with potential appointment as a sustainability scholar with ASU’s Global Institute of Sustainability;
- An interest in online teaching and learning; and
- Commitment to research, teaching, and recruiting a diverse student population.
The application deadline is November 26, 2017; if not filled, every week thereafter until search is closed. The committee will only review electronic submissions totaling 2GB or less in file size. Please submit the following information to apply.interfolio.com/45488.

- A letter of interest outlining qualifications for the position, research interests, teaching experience
- A Curriculum vitae,
- A Portfolio of research and creative work, including examples of student work
- Contact information for four references including name, e-mail address and telephone number

Applications must be addressed to: Chair, The Design School Architecture Professor Search Committee, c/o Margaret Murphy-Tillis, Executive Assistant.

For information about The Design School, visit: https://design.asu.edu/

For information about the Architecture program, visit: https://design.asu.edu/degree-programs/architecture

The Design School is active within social media. The following links can be used to access the various social media platforms that The Design School engages in, which provide insight into the daily activities within the school:
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/thedesignschool
Twitter: https://twitter.com/ASUDesignSchool
Instagram: https://instagram.com/asudesignschool
You Tube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCp8XQNyHfsEXEbwKcwC25KQ
Issuu: http://issuu.com/thedesignschoolasu

Please note that at this time of this posting we have not launched ‘Redesign’ process publicly; it should be launched in late Fall of 2017.

For information about the Herberger Institute for Design and the Arts, visit: herbergerinstitute.asu.edu.

ASU conducts pre-employment screening for all positions, which includes a criminal background check, verification of work history, academic credentials, licenses and certifications.

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