

Assistant Professor - Architectural Design and Engaged
Practice - Architecture
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Department	Architecture
Institution	University of California Berkeley Berkeley, California
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Application Deadline	10/15/2025
Position Start Date	Available immediately
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Position overview

Salary range: The current salary range for this position is \$80,800 - \$128,700 (9-month academic year salary), however, off-scale salary and other components of pay, which would yield compensation that is higher than this range, are offered to meet competitive conditions.

Anticipated start: July 1, 2026

Application Window

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Open date: July 25, 2025

Next review date: Wednesday, Oct 15, 2025 at 11:59pm (Pacific Time)
Apply by this date to ensure full consideration by the committee.

Final date: Wednesday, Oct 15, 2025 at 11:59pm (Pacific Time)
Applications will continue to be accepted until this date.

Position description

The Department of Architecture at the University of California, Berkeley, invites applications for two (2) full-time, tenure-track positions at the rank of Assistant Professor in Architectural Design - Engaged Practice. We seek candidates whose design and creative work are grounded in innovative architectural practice.

Engaged Practice refers to design and creative work rooted in architectural practice that synthesizes contemporary issues and disciplinary knowledge to inform distinctive architectural sensibilities with a particular focus on the design of buildings. Candidates may be actively practicing or demonstrate a clear trajectory and strong potential to engage practice as a critical mode of inquiry. Successful candidates are expected to demonstrate how buildings can expand the boundaries of the field-mobilizing design to confront urgent questions around climate, housing, materials, construction, social justice or other critical issues.

Position responsibilities include core instruction in architectural design at both the graduate and undergraduate levels, with particular emphasis on Foundational Studios and Courses, as well as Integrated Design Studios. Candidates are also expected to lead advanced design studios and to offer seminar and/or lecture courses aligned with their specific area of expertise and inquiry in architectural design.

Service to the department, college, university, profession, and broader community is an essential component of the appointment. In addition to teaching experience in design, candidates must demonstrate exemplary architectural work and the ability to disseminate their work through appropriate venues.

The Department of Architecture at UC Berkeley is housed within the College of Environmental Design (CED), along with the departments of Landscape Architecture & Environmental Planning and City & Regional Planning. Founded in 1959, the CED has long been at the forefront of environmental design

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education. As the first institution to combine architecture, planning, and landscape architecture into a single college, we offer a vigorous cross-disciplinary environment where collaboration and experimentation flourishes. Within this context, the Department of Architecture's evolution has been nourished by social, cultural, technological, and environmental values, and our geographical setting. Situated on the Pacific Rim at the border with Latin America and facing Asia, California is an urban laboratory that has long been recognized as a site of design research and experimentation. These values are reflected in our innovative teaching, scholarly research, critical design inquiry, and discursive practices. Our award-winning faculty bring both broad and deep intellectual diversity to our educational community.

The Department of Architecture offers undergraduate and graduate degrees, and provides thoughtful and rigorous instruction to 400 undergraduates and 200 graduate students in the M.Arch, M.AAD, M.S. and Ph.D programs. The Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in architecture offers both a liberal arts-oriented and pre-professional education. The Master of Architecture is a professional degree requiring two, or three years, depending on the student's incoming background. The Master of Advanced Architectural Design is a one-year post-professional degree intended for those with a professional degree who wish to continue exploring design issues in an experimental studio setting. The Master of Science and a Ph.D. in architecture are research-based degrees in one of the following areas of study: History, Theory, and Society, and, Building Science, Technology, and Sustainability. For more information on our department and academic programs, please visit <http://arch.ced.berkeley.edu>.

Department: <https://ced.berkeley.edu/arch>

Qualifications

Basic qualifications (required at time of application)

Bachelor Degree (or equivalent international degree)

Preferred qualifications

One of the following by the start date of the position is strongly preferred:

A professional graduate degree in architecture (M.Arch or an equivalent international degree)

Or an undergraduate degree in architecture (B.Arch or an equivalent international degree) with an additional graduate degree (such as an MA, MS, or Ph.D.)

Application Requirements

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Document requirements

- Curriculum Vitae - Your most recently updated C.V.
- Statement of Interest - A 2-3 page statement of interest specifying the relevance of the applicant's experience to the department with a description of practice, creative work, and teaching.
- Portfolio - A digital portfolio of representative design work. The file must be 50MB or smaller in size.
- Additional Space Portfolio - In case files need to be split. The file must be 50MB or smaller in size.
(Optional)
- Teaching Portfolio - A digital portfolio of teaching material, syllabi, student work, and any other supplementary information. The file must be 50MB or smaller in size.
- Additional Space: Teaching Portfolio - In case files need to be split. The file must be 50MB or smaller in size.
(Optional)
- Authorization to Release Information Form - A reference check will be completed only if you are selected as the candidate to whom the hiring unit would like to extend a formal offer. Download, complete, sign, and upload the [Authorization to Release Information form](#)

Reference requirements

- 3-5 letters of reference required

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- [APM - 035: Affirmative Action and Nondiscrimination in Employment](#)

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