

Chair of the Department of Architecture
University at Buffalo, The State University of New York

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Department	Architecture
Institution	University at Buffalo, The State University of New York Buffalo, New York
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Application Deadline	Open until filled
Position Start Date	Available immediately
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Academic Field(s)	Architectural (Building & Construction)
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Job Description

The University at Buffalo, SUNY—a leading R1 institution and member of the Association of American Universities—welcomes applications for the position of **Chair of the Department of Architecture** to commence July 1, 2025. This post, which comes at an auspicious stage in the life of the department, is intended to augment its legacy in design and theory in the context of its state-of-the-art facilities housed in newly refurbished historic buildings set in a revitalizing city. The successful candidate will be cognizant of contemporary disciplinary objectives and embrace collaboration in an environment of shared governance, along with innovative leadership and efficient administration of educational, research, and service activities. The appointment will be at the level of associate or full professor with tenure and include the associated teaching, research, and service responsibilities of that rank.

The role encompasses:

- guiding the faculty, students, administration, alumni, staff, and external partners;

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- advancing departmental missions, including the provision of an exceptional education in architecture; research, scholarship, and creative work; service to the university, discipline and community; and inclusive academic practices;
- advocating for resources on behalf of the faculty, staff, and students;
- bolstering the reputation of the department to the university, as well as at regional, national, and international levels;
- strengthening and developing programs that address emerging conditions and the academic mission of the university;
- augmenting the effectiveness of educational offerings through program assessments and accreditation;
- stewarding the fiscal resources of the department in tandem with the faculty and school leadership;
- strategizing and participating in recruitment, marketing, advancement, and promotion activities;
- providing mentorship for promotion and advancement;
- contributing to the scholarship and pedagogy of the department.

Applications should be received by November 22nd to receive full consideration.

THE DEPARTMENT

The Department of Architecture emerged in the context of the late 1960s with the stated mission of providing students with the tools for “remaking the social landscape.” It has since fostered diverse paths of research and creative enterprise rooted in ecology, inclusion, making, computational technologies, and urbanism. With a storied roster of educators past and present that includes Reyner Banham, the department is now home to 32 full-time faculty and 540 students. Core programs offered by the department are the Bachelor of Science in Architecture and Master of Architecture. The Master’s program is organized pedagogically by Graduate Research Groups in Ecological Practices, Inclusive Design, Material Culture, Situated Technologies, and Urban Design.

THE SCHOOL

The School of Architecture and Planning is a part of the University at Buffalo—a flagship of the State University of New York—and is the only graduate school of architecture and planning within the 64-campus SUNY system. The school is composed of the departments of Architecture and Planning, and is a multidisciplinary environment that engages with the complex social and environmental issues of the 21st century. With professional and pre-professional programs in the design and planning fields, we integrate knowledge in the arts, humanities, and STEM disciplines and collaborate to address pressing issues pertaining to the built environment. As part of one of the nation’s leading public research universities, the school has an outstanding legacy of and commitment to creative making and

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engaged learning. Our faculty pursue a range of design and research interests—including climate resilience and adaptation, innovative fabrication and assembly, sustainable building envelopes, food systems, inclusive design, community development and equitable practices, and the history and theory of design culture—pursued through the varied techniques and technologies of our discipline.

Outstanding Benefits Package

Working at UB comes with benefits that exceed salary alone. There are personal rewards including comprehensive health and retirement plan options. We also focus on creating and sustaining a healthy mix of work, personal and academic pursuit - all in an effort to support your work-life effectiveness. We support your growth and development through our career coaching and training department and we qualify as a public service loan forgiveness organization. Learn more about our [benefit packages](#).

About The University at Buffalo

The University at Buffalo (UB) #ubuffalo is one of America's leading public research universities and a flagship of the State University of New York system, recognized for our excellence and our impact. UB is a premier, research-intensive public university dedicated to academic excellence. Our research, creative activity and people positively impact the world. Like the city we call home, UB is distinguished by a culture of resilient optimism, resourceful thinking and pragmatic dreaming that enables us to reach others every day. Visit our website to learn more about the [University at Buffalo](#).

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