

Teaching Assistant Professor / Teaching Associate Professor
School of Architecture
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

The School of Architecture at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign seeks a full-time specialized faculty appointment at the rank of teaching assistant professor or teaching associate professor to expand its delivery of specialized Health and Wellbeing (HWB) courses and design studios in hybrid, online, and in-person formats, and to grow its research capacity. Efforts in the HWB program area align with the School's delivery of a design-forward, evidence based, and technically rigorous architectural education to undergraduate and graduate students in a research-intensive environment.

Social justice dimensions are a key component of the HWB program offerings. To increase this profile, we strongly encourage applications from individuals with demonstrable commitments to social justice through teaching, research, and/or service, and a reflective approach to transforming the discipline with respect to inclusion and anti-racism.

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Responsibilities and Opportunities

The HWB program area is creating specialized opportunities through MARCH, MS, and PhD concentrations and certificate programs for practitioners. To support these efforts, the School seeks an early/mid-career scholar with a demonstrated research agenda at the intersection of environmental design, health and wellbeing at any environmental scale. A strong applicant will provide evidence of excellence in classroom and studio teaching; show promise for developing substantial and high-profile scholarship with a design and HWB focus; and for disseminating new knowledge in peer-reviewed scholarly venues. The individual will demonstrate experience with and continued interest in securing external funding from multidisciplinary funders.

This individual will be expected to cooperate with School of Architecture Faculty in teaching core and specialty courses at the undergraduate and graduate levels and to assist with refining and delivering design studio and course content in the built environment, health and wellbeing. In addition, the individual will create online content to augment the current on-campus offerings in the program area and assist with administering online programs. We anticipate this new colleague will bolster offerings in the HWB concentrations in the MARCH and MS degree programs and support MS- and PhD-student research in health, wellbeing, and design.

Qualifications

Required: Pre-professional, professional, or post-professional degree in Architecture; a record of scholarly and/or professional accomplishments demonstrating (a) foundational knowledge of design and health and wellbeing research literature, and advanced design-research scholarship in one or more design and HWB focus areas; (b) ability to apply evidence-based design processes to promote human health and wellbeing.

Preferred: PhD in Architecture or a closely related field (e.g., Urban Planning, Environmental Psychology or Engineering); professional architecture licensure; experience in outreach to non-academic audiences; experience delivering content online; links to professional efforts to bring health and wellbeing knowledge into practice in architecture and planning.

Research, teaching, and service. The successful candidate will be expected to maintain an active program of design research that is esteemed nationally. The individual will teach both core and specialized curricula to undergraduate and graduate students. Active service to the program, school, and college is expected. The successful candidates will contribute to the growth and direction of the program and school, principally through transdisciplinary collaborations with colleagues.

Appointment Status. This is a full-time, nine-month, benefits-eligible, non-tenure-track, specialized faculty appointment at the rank of “teaching assistant professor” or “teaching associate professor”. This position is supported by three years of funding and is annually renewable. The preferred start date is August 16, 2021. Salary for this position will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

About the school. The Illinois School of Architecture offers a NAAB-accredited Master of Architecture degree, in addition to its BS and MS in Architectural Studies, and PhD degree programs. The school also offers joint graduate degree programs with Civil and Environmental Engineering and Urban and Regional Planning.

The University of Illinois is a world-class research institution located in Urbana-Champaign, a vibrant university community recognized as a major center for engineering, arts, and design. The school and university have outstanding resources for teaching and scholarship, with advanced digital fabrication and energy simulation laboratories and the largest public university research library in the nation.

Application procedures. For full consideration, create a profile at <https://jobs.illinois.edu/> and upload the following required submissions: (1) a letter of application describing clearly your primary scholarly and/or design accomplishments addressing environmental design and health and wellbeing, experience with online education and program or project administration, and your future teaching and research objectives related to the position in Health and Wellbeing; (2) a complete curriculum vitae including postal address, email address, and telephone phone number; (3) a statement outlining your past contributions and future vision regarding inclusion and social justice in architecture and education; (4) an electronic dossier including samples of publications, design work, and teaching outcomes and student’s work; and (5) names of three references with titles, affiliations, and contact information including postal address, email, and telephone.

Deadline. Applications received by January 22, 2021, will receive full consideration. Early applicants may be interviewed before the closing date; however, no hiring decision will be made until after the closing date. The search may continue past the closing date until the position is filled. For further information regarding application procedures, please contact Margo Kiener at kiener2@illinois.edu or 217-300-9641.

Please direct any inquiries regarding the position to:

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