



## Tenure Track Assistant Professor of Landscape Architecture / focus on Professional Practice

*beginning in August 2018*

Penn State's Department of Landscape Architecture seeks a thoughtful, inquisitive individual who **advances design practice through work firmly grounded in creative responses to environmental and social challenges**. to join our collegial community as a tenure-track faculty starting in August 2018.

We seek to enrich our department with faculty who share our commitment to leadership in teaching, creative and/or scholarly work and in preparing students to be professional leaders. We live our mission: **great work grounded in commitment to environmental and social good**. We share this commitment with our students as we prepare them for professional leadership by cultivating skills and values needed to do meaningful work.

**Required Qualifications** include a terminal degree in Landscape Architecture or a related discipline (with at least one professional degree in Landscape Architecture), a record of scholarly and/or built works that aligns with our mission, and experience in innovative professional practice. Candidates must also demonstrate commitment to collaboration and interdisciplinary cooperation, show evidence of success in teaching, and be enthusiastic team players to thrive in our frequently team-taught courses. PhD preferred.

The successful applicant will apply expertise to design studio, to "skills" courses (potentially including visual representation, landform grading, planting design, materials, stormwater management) and/or to the professional practice course; they also will make an ongoing commitment to scholarship in creative work and/or research addressing landscape architecture grounded in environmental and/or social commitment. Applicants for this position should expect to teach 2 courses per semester, one of which will be design studio.

Our faculty possesses considerable breadth of expertise and unanimous commitment to teaching, research and outreach. Many classes are team-taught and frequently engage students and faculty from other disciplines—which means that we both expect and value effective teamwork. Faculty conduct and publish peer-reviewed scholarship which may include creative practice and/or externally-funded research. Faculty also engage in service to the University, community, and profession.

**Landscape Architecture at Penn State** (<http://stuckeman.psu.edu/larch>) includes a 5-year professional undergraduate program (BLA) that is consistently ranked among the top 3 by *Design Intelligence*, a highly-ranked 3-year professional graduate program (MLA), a research-focused graduate program (MSinLA), and an online MPS in Geodesign (<https://geodesign.psu.edu/>). We also participate in Architecture's PhD program. The department requires all undergraduates to undertake study abroad; for many, this is through our program in Bonn, Germany. Our departmental community includes about 190 students and 19 faculty. Our home, the LEED Gold Stuckeman Family Building, serves as an inspiring environment for learning and scholarship.

Our department resides within the Stuckeman School of Architecture and Landscape Architecture, which includes Architecture and Graphic Design. Thanks to our School's Stuckeman Endowments, our efforts are greatly enriched—by chairships and professorships, by funding for faculty initiatives, exhibits and lectures, etc. Note as well the significant location of our department within a College of Arts and Architecture, which includes Theatre, Music, Visual Arts, and Art History. Our university context offers an exciting array of opportunities for scholarship and outreach; within our School these include the Hamer Center for Community Design, the Stuckeman Center for Design Computing, and our new E+D (Ecology + Design) collaborative.

**Penn State** is an internationally highly ranked Tier 1 research institution and a land grant university. **University Park/State College** (86,000 inhabitants/44,000 students) is a delightful small city located in a central Pennsylvania rural valley of beautiful farmland amidst wooded mountains; yet Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, D.C., and New York City can each be reached in a four-hour drive or less.

To apply, submit a letter that includes a statement of teaching interests and a brief description of creative and/or research achievements; a curriculum vitae; representative samples of research and/or creative works; and names of three references. All of these materials must be submitted via Penn State's Electronic Jobs Management System (EJMS): <https://psu.jobs>, job #74430. For full consideration, submissions must be received by December 15, 2017; review will begin immediately thereafter and continue until suitable candidates are found. Please direct any questions to Larry Gorenflo, Chair Faculty Search Committee: 814-863-5337 or [lfg11@psu.edu](mailto:lfg11@psu.edu).

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