Dean’s Honor Fellowship in Architecture and Landscape Architecture

Purpose
This Dean’s Honor Fellowship recognizes academic, design and research excellence, and a focused interest in teaching. Successful candidates will have the opportunity to work with faculty to support specific course content development and curriculum. The selection committee seeks applicants who have demonstrated a high level of academic achievement and evidence of commitment to design and research excellence. Additionally, the fellowship acknowledges leadership through the external representation of the school to prospective students, faculty, and alumni.

Eligibility
All admitted and current graduate students in the Departments of Architecture and Landscape Architecture who are not in the final year of their degree are eligible to apply. Path 2.5 students may apply during their second academic year, if they are willing to extend their time as a student in the School of Architecture for the spring semester immediately following their final fall semester. The fellowship duration is one academic year. A recipient of a previous Dean’s Honor Architecture Graduate Fellowship is eligible to apply for a second or third year, unless they are in the final year of their degree.

Number of fellowships
- Five (Architecture)
- Two (Landscape Architecture)

Description
The fellows will focus on the instruction of principles and skills sets and are expected to be self-directed in terms of proposing and developing curricular instruments including workshops, tutorials, and exercises in collaboration with faculty. Fellows are expected to assume leadership roles including working with graduate and undergraduate teaching assistants. Determined by the department chair and program directors, each fellow will receive a specific research and/or teaching assignment in support of departmental curricular, pedagogical, and research activities. The fellow will be expected to work directly with students and faculty to support the development of a sound understanding of design principles and the application of techniques with the intention of positively influencing best practices across all levels of the undergraduate or graduate architecture programs. Fellows are responsible for creating, updating, and managing a shared digital resource that includes workshop documentation and curricular supplements to be expanded and modified from year to year. Additionally, all fellows will be expected to serve as student ambassador liaisons with the admissions and communication offices and assist in the promotion of the School. Recruitment and outreach activities may include: presentations to groups of prospective students and/or alumni, participation on the admissions committee, and social media content generation.

Application Requirements
Applicants are required to submit a single PDF of materials in the following order for review by the selection committee:

Page 1: Name, degree path and year, and statement explaining fellowship interests and goals
Please specify strengths in one or more of the following categories:
- Design and Visualization
- Digital Design, Computation and Fabrication
- Building/Environmental Science and Technology
- Architectural Theory / Writing and Publication

Pages 2 to 8: Design, visualization, or writing samples
Page 9: Brief, one-page curriculum vitae
Page 10: Three faculty references (names, emails, and phone numbers)
Award Amount

The fellowship financial package* includes:
- In-state tuition costs and in- or out-of-state fees (dependent on residency status)
- One year of University student health insurance stipend (if student is not covered by another plan)
- Stipend for living expenses

*Note: The exact amount of fellowship funding varies year to year based on tuition cost and fees and replaces all previously awarded scholarships or fellowships. Acceptance of the fellowship requires the fellow to successfully complete the assigned teaching and research duties for one academic year. Failure to successfully fulfill the assigned teaching and research duties for one academic year will result in forfeiture of the financial package including tuition costs, in- or out-of-state fees, University student health insurance stipend, and stipend for living expenses.

Deadline
Monday, March 12, 2018, 5p

Email application package as a single PDF document to the Office of Recruitment, Admissions, and Financial Aid (a-school-admissions@virginia.edu)