UVA School of Architecture Fellowships

Sarah McArthur Nix Traveling Fellowship

For the Study of Architecture in France

Purpose and Terms
Founded in 1996 by Lewis and Beth Nix in honor of his mother Sarah McArthur Nix, the intention of the fellowship is to support a line of graphic research, analysis independent study of one (1) architecture student over the course of the summer in France. While it is not required, it is encouraged that the study of the Nix Fellow might entertain the influence of French architecture upon the work of Thomas Jefferson. The student is expected to share her/his gained experiences and scholarship with the students and the faculty of the School of Architecture upon her/his return in the form of a public lecture, exhibition or publication.

Eligibility
All third-year undergraduate architecture students, first-year Path 2.0 and Path 2.5 graduate architecture students, and all first- and second-year Path 3.0 graduate architecture students are welcome to apply.

Number of Fellowship Positions
Up to four

Application Requirements
Applicants shall submit the following materials for review by the selection committee:

- One project proposal including a statement of intent describing the research to be developed while in France. The statement should include a description of the purpose method(s) of research and analysis. Applicants are encouraged to provide examples of their own work as it related to the purposed methods of graphic analysis.
- Preliminary project itinerary outlining sites to be visited
- Preliminary project budget outlining all travel and research costs
- One letter of recommendation from a faculty member of the School of Architecture

The work developed during the fellowship shall be exhibited and presented in the School of Architecture, by lecture and discussion, to the entire School during the following spring semester. Additionally, the work conducted during the fellowship shall be published in an appropriate publication. The research materials and papers produced will be archived at the Fiske Kimball Fine Arts Library.
Selection Criteria
The final selection of the fellowship recipient rests at the discretion of the Chair of the Department of Architecture, but shall acknowledge the following:

- Eligible candidates will be third year undergraduate students or graduate students who will return to the School of Architecture for further study after the fellowship summer.
- At the beginning of the fall semester following the summer of study, all candidates shall submit a research proposal outlining their program of study in France* for consideration by the selection committee.
- Of particular interest to us is that from the time to time students awarded the fellowship will study the influence of French architecture upon the architecture of Thomas Jefferson.

*Note: The University of Virginia will seek arrangements with the French Ministry of Education to provide economical housing, as well as access to libraries, chateaus, and miscellaneous archives to support student research, thus increasing the effectiveness of the funds available.

Amount
$5,000.00*
*Note: The exact amount of fellowship funding varies year to year. The amount listed is an estimate and does not reflect the final monetary award.

Principal Donors
Mr. and Mrs. I. Lewis Nix, Jr.

Deadline
5pm, March 26, 2018
Email application package as a single PDF document to the Office of Admissions & Financial Aid (a-school-admissions@virginia.edu)