JOB ANNOUNCEMENT
Fellow in Urban Design and Housing
Yale Urban Design Workshop

Note: For immediate hire
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Yale School of Architecture seeks applications for a Fellow in Urban Design and Housing at the Yale Urban Design Workshop, to begin immediately.

Intended for an early- to mid-career urban planner, urban designer, architect, lawyer, or real estate developer interested in new, synthetic approaches to affordable housing and neighborhood development in an interdisciplinary, academic, clinical setting, the 2022 Fellow will help design, support, and coordinate the clinical activities of the Yale Urban Design Workshop (YUDW), the School of Architecture’s community design center.

Central to this fellowship will be support of the UDW’s new affordable housing clinic, entitled Housing Connecticut: Developing Healthy and Sustainable Neighborhoods. Offered in collaboration with the School of Management, School of Law, and the Connecticut Department of Housing (DOH), this clinic will pair interdisciplinary groups of graduate students with local non-profit housing developers in Connecticut, asking them to develop novel but practical solutions to the affordable housing crisis, while also addressing other pressing neighborhood challenges, such as community health, air quality, environmental equity, or resilience.

Working under the supervision of the Yale Urban Design Workshop’s faculty directors and affiliates, the fellow will develop supporting research, mapping, supervise student clinical projects, engage with community members, politicians, policy makers, and local non-profits, and provide ongoing logistical and administrative support both during and after the clinic ends. It is expected that the fellow will assist in the development of one or more academic white papers on the clinic and assist in the publication of results. Clinical projects will have the opportunity for fast-track funding from DOH, and the fellow will provide ongoing implementation support to the local non-profit partners as projects progress. This may include supervising student independent studies during the spring 2023 semester.

The fellow will also collaborate with UDW faculty and affiliates on independent research and writing in the areas of affordable housing, urban and neighborhood history, neighborhood development, and social and environmental equity, and will develop research on architectural clinical models in support of the development of additional UDW clinical courses and projects. In addition, there may be opportunities for the Fellow to be involved in other ongoing community-based UDW projects.

The ideal candidate will have the following qualifications:

- Advanced professional degree in planning, law, management, urban design, or architecture from an outstanding program.
• Minimum 3 year’s professional experience in community design and/or development, neighborhood or urban planning, affordable housing, or related fields, working in particular with underserved communities.

• Experience in urban research and description, including geography, history, demographics, culture and economics; publication preferred

• Interest in working in an intensive academic environment with graduate students; some prior teaching experience preferred

• Strong research, organizational, and interpersonal skills

• Collaborative and team-oriented, while also independent and self-motivating

• Strong written and communication skills in English

• Experience developing maps and research using Geographic Information Systems (GIS) preferred but not required

• Fluency in Spanish preferred but not required

This is a full-time position, and physical presence in New Haven is required. Evening and weekend hours may be required to attend community meetings and events. The salary for this position is $63,000, plus full Yale benefits. The fellow will be appointed at Yale at the faculty rank of Instructor with an initial appointment of one year, renewable for one additional year. The fellow will be located at the off-campus offices of the Yale Urban Design Workshop, and will be part of the larger Yale community.

Letters of interest, along with resume or CV, and portfolio if applicable, should be sent to Andrei Harwell, andrei.harwell@yale.edu. Review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position has been filled.