



VISION AND PRIORITIES

UVA SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE

DECEMBER 9, 2021

OUR COLLECTIVE WORK AT THE A-SCHOOL IS CRITICAL TO MAKING OUR WORLD A BETTER PLACE. THROUGH DESIGN EXCELLENCE AND INNOVATION, WE SEEK TO CREATE MORE JUST, RESILIENT, AND EMPOWERING BUILT ENVIRONMENTS THAT PROMOTE NEW FORMS AND COLLECTIVE WAYS OF LIVING, WORKING AND COLLABORATING. WE ARE DRIVEN BY A SHARED SENSE OF SERVICE AS A PUBLIC UNIVERSITY TO BUILD A BETTER WORLD.

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School of Architecture — Mission and Vision

OVERVIEW

— 4 INTERRELATED DEPARTMENTS

Architectural History
Architecture
Landscape Architecture
Urban and Environmental Planning

— ADDITIONAL INTERDISCIPLINARY PROGRAMS

PhD in the Constructed Environment
Historic Preservation
Real Estate Design and Development
Urban Design
Design Thinking

— DEGREES and CERTIFICATES

3 Undergraduate Degrees

Bachelor of Architectural History
Bachelor of Science – Architecture
Bachelor of Urban and Environmental Planning

5 Graduate Degrees

Master of Architectural History
Master of Architecture
Master of Landscape Architecture
Master of Urban and Environmental Planning
Master of Urban Design, post-professional

2 PhD Degrees

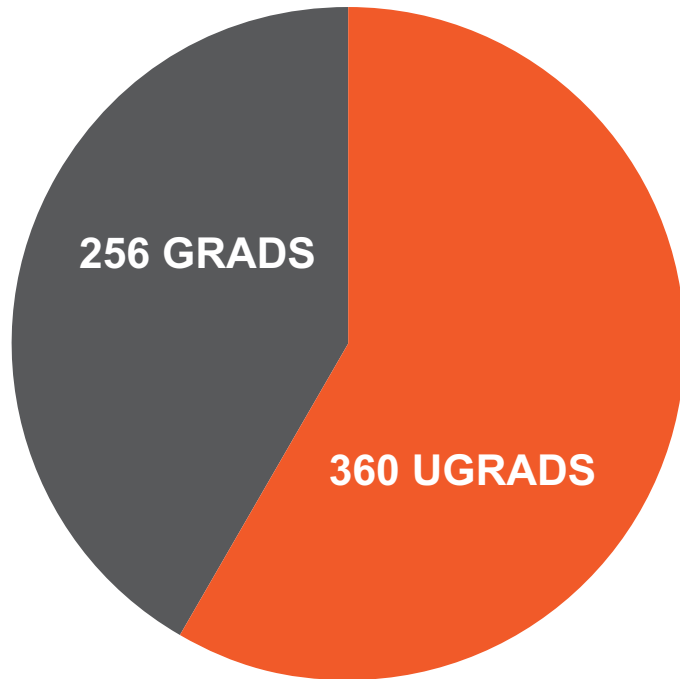
PhD in the Constructed Environment
PhD in Art and Architectural History

3 Graduate Certificates

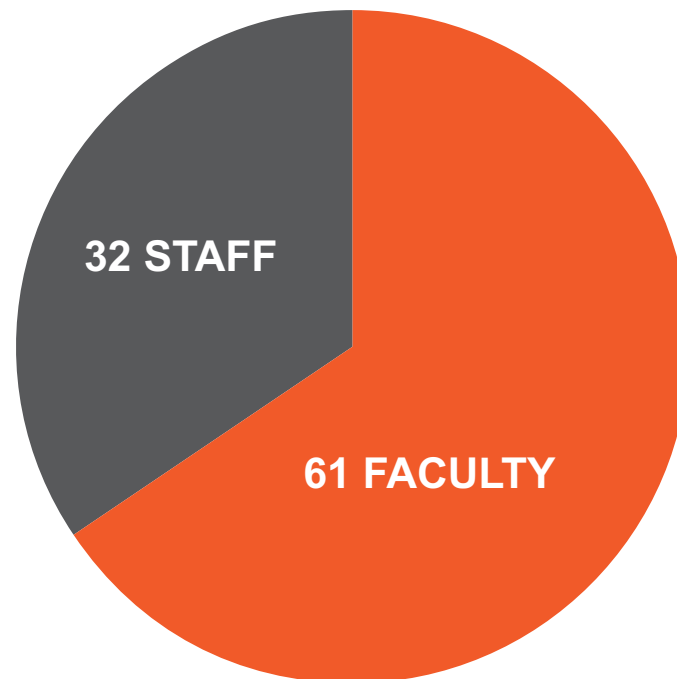
In Historic Preservation
Real Estate Design and Development
Urban Design

OVERVIEW

— STUDENT ENROLLMENT



— FACULTY and STAFF





Priorities

- 1 – The Climate Resilience / Climate Justice Initiative
 - 2 – The Justice, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (JEDI) Initiative
 - 3 – Making the A-School Accessible and Affordable
 - 4 – Supporting Faculty and Staff Excellence
 - 5 – Creating a Dedicated Space for Collaborative Design
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THE CLIMATE RESILIENCE / CLIMATE JUSTICE INITIATIVE

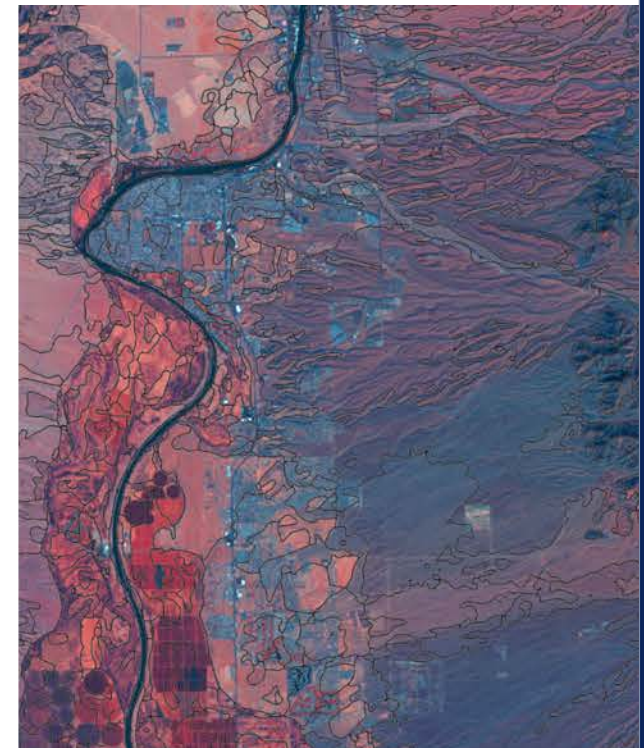
The intersection of climate and design

— MISSION

Promote the research, teaching, scholarship, service and practice of A-School faculty, students and alumni

— OBJECTIVES

- † Interdisciplinary collaboration within the School, on-Grounds, and externally
- † Climate sponsored research, teaching, scholarship and practice
- † Connections to communities, government agencies, policymakers, cultural institutions and alumni around climate issues
- † Faculty and students interested in design's unique role in addressing climate resilience / climate justice



THE JUSTICE, EQUITY, DIVERSITY + INCLUSION INITIATIVE

Cultivating shared humanity across difference

— MISSION

Create a more just, equitable, diverse and inclusive A-School

— OBJECTIVES

- ↑ Faculty, staff, and student diversity through recruitment and retention
- Expand BIPOC student support and resources
- Enhance social justice-based pedagogy + disciplinary discourse around issues of race, identity, culture, power and belonging
- Establish guiding metrics and a structure of reporting and communicating progress
- Build meaningful, sustainable relationships with neighborhoods, institutions, and organizations in Charlottesville who are allies in this work



MAKING THE SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE ACCESSIBLE AND AFFORDABLE

A public university committed to public good

— MISSION

Make the A-School more accessible and affordable for students fostering greater potential to pursue post-graduate careers that in the public sector and are aligned with a public university culture of service and purpose

— OBJECTIVES

- † Scholarship, fellowships, and financial aid, especially for our graduate student cohort
- † Transfer students
- Strengthen student recruitment, admission, and retention efforts
- † New student engagement, support, mentorship, and resources both within the A-School and through our alumni network



FACULTY AND STAFF EXCELLENCE

Supporting and enhancing our greatest resource

— MISSION

Retain, promote, and recruit top faculty and staff who will excel in research, teaching, service and professional practice

— OBJECTIVES

- ↑ Support for professorships
- Establish a general research fund and improve career support (especially for women and BIPOC faculty)
- Enhance faculty governance and collaboration
- Retain, recruit, and promote staff
- Foster a collaborative, supportive, and intellectually rich environment



A DEDICATED SPACE FOR COLLABORATIVE DESIGN

Creating a forum for 21st century design research

— MISSION

To create a research space for our community-facing design work that enhances collaboration across Grounds and with our Charlottesville and regional neighbors

— OBJECTIVES

- ↑ Collaborations with others across Grounds that center on design for the public good
- ↑ Opportunities to co-design with Charlottesville and VA residents through workshops, forums, exhibitions, etc.
- Establish a center/hub for community-engaged design and innovation
- Expand student experiences to include community-centered hands-on learning and making
- Foster a collaborative environment that makes design processes and design thinking more accessible to all





Looking Ahead

How can we strengthen partnerships with Commonwealth agencies and local institutions?



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