

# FAU SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE UPPER DIVISION BACHELOR OF ARCHITECTURE PROGRAM

## APPLICATION, LETTER OF INTENT & PORTFOLIO SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

### APPLICATION

The School of Architecture accepts new applicants in the **Fall Semester only**.

All applicants must complete the University Application prior to completion of the School of Architecture Application. Please apply online at <https://apply.fau.edu/post/application/login/index.xhtml>

### LETTER OF INTENT

The School of Architecture Letter of Intent should follow a professional letter format, including name, address, date, salutation, and so forth. The letter should address the following questions, in specific terms (avoid generalizations):

- What interests you about architecture?
- What do you envision your future role in the field to be?
- What got you interested in pursuing architecture as a profession?
- What special skills or point of view do you bring to architectural practice?
- What makes the FAU School of Architecture a good fit for you, practically and/or intellectually?

### PORTFOLIO

Prospective students should consider the following guidelines when submitting a portfolio for admissions. A portfolio is a design project and an illustration of your work and your own design thinking. While the School will not provide a template or any particular portfolio as “ideal”, the guidelines below include a few specific requirements and several answers to the most frequently asked questions regarding the School’s portfolio submission.

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

- Portfolios may include up to 24 pages of representative work
- Portfolios should consist of a sequential process of development from design 1 to the highest Architectural Design level completed, with the greatest emphasis on recent works. Examples of past student work are most important, but other work – completed privately or in a professional setting are accepted.
- Architectural projects should be illustrated with clear reproductions and include a range of architectural representations: plans, elevations, sections, perspective drawings, sketches, models, and 3-dimensional images
- The architecture faculty reviews the contents of a portfolio for admission **and** placement purposes. Student placement in the Design Studio sequence is based upon the illustrated level of skill and understanding **as indicated in the presented work**. All decisions are final.

#### PROJECT INFORMATION:

- All projects should include the following text information:
  - A title
  - A short description of the project
  - The course for which the work was completed (where applicable)
  - Date completed
  - Group work or professional work, the individual’s role in the project.

If you have any questions, please contact Versel Reid at 954-762-5644 or [vreid@fau.edu](mailto:vreid@fau.edu) .