



Job Posting

Job ID: 26436
Location: Vancouver - Point Grey Campus
Employment Group: Management&Professional (AAPS)
Job Category: Facilities Management
Classification Title: Facilities Management, Level E
Business Title: Urban Designer
VP/Faculty: VP External Relations
Department: C+CP Planning & Design
Salary Range: \$72,449.00 (minimum) - \$90,562.00 (midpoint) - \$113,202.00 (maximum)
Full/Part Time: Full-Time
Desired Start Date: 06/20/2017 **Ongoing:** Yes
Funding Type: Budget Funded
Closing Date: 06/05/2017 **Available Openings:** 1

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Guiding principle: "Midpoint" of the hiring salary range means the individual possesses full job knowledge, qualifications and experience.

Job Summary

The Urban Designer will work closely with the Director, Planning and Design on the visioning, design and stewardship of the campuses' built environment and transportation corridors. This position will be responsible for reviewing development applications for adherence to UBC planning and design policies and for developing, amending and implementing urban design and architectural concepts and policies for campus precincts and sites. The Urban designer will manage a variety of projects and contracts related to design, planning and policy facilitation.

Organizational Status

This position reports to the Director, Planning and Design. The position supports a variety of advisory bodies. The Urban Designer will maintain working relationships with UBC departments including, Infrastructure Development, Building Operations, Parking, Student Housing & Hospitality Services, and other UBC departments and subsidiaries including the UBC Properties Trust. The Urban Designer will also liaison with architects and developers; and staff from Translink, the University Endowment Lands, the City of Kelowna, and other government authorities.

Work Performed

- Advance design concepts, principles and guidelines contained in the UBC policies (e.g. Land Use Plan, Vancouver Campus Plan, Neighbourhood Plans, Transportation Plan, Public Realm Plan, Okanagan Master Plan, plus associated policies and guidelines).
- Scope, plan, and facilitate integrated urban design processes to develop new concepts, precinct plans and guidelines as required, ensuring appropriate stakeholder and community involvement.
- Provide specific advice on the urban design context and expectations for capital projects as part of

site specific design briefs.

- Conduct design review of capital projects at various stages of the development application process based on UBC policies and urban design best practices.
- Conduct design and urban design related research.
- Provide advice and direction to applicants, Building Operations staff and the Director of Planning on the rehabilitation of heritage buildings and appropriate additions.
- Support the UBC Advisory Urban Design Panel, including preparing reports and follow-up on action items.
- Guide and advise Building Operations staff on the stewardship of existing buildings and development of maintenance programs.
- Prepare reports, presentations and other documents on various projects, programs and policies.
- Develop and manage work programs.
- Serve as the delegate for the Director of Planning and Design in the Architect Selection process.
- Perform other design and planning-related duties as required.

Supervision Received

Works with a high degree of independence under the general direction of the Director, Planning & Design.

Supervision Given

May supervise several resource people and coordinate several issues at any one time. May manage the work of consultants. Will also coordinate efforts of department staff as required.

Consequence of Error/Judgement

The Urban Designer is responsible for activities related to the development of the UBC campus lands. The incumbent will influence allocation of funding in certain areas within project budgets of several million dollars. Errors in this work can cause problems of a financial, legal or political nature, which in turn result in cost and time delays during resolution.

Qualifications

Undergraduate degree in a relevant discipline. Eligibility for membership in a professional Institute or Association. Post-graduate degree in Urban Design or Architecture preferred. Membership, or eligibility for membership, in the Architectural Institute of British Columbia is preferred. Minimum of six years experience or the equivalent combination of education and experience. Minimum of six years' experience or the equivalent combination of education and experience in urban design is required with demonstrated accomplishments in inner city or campus projects. Experience with the planning and design of urban precincts, large scale mixed-use developments and multi-modal transportation corridors is an asset. Superior verbal, written and illustrative communication skills are required with an emphasis on manual graphic abilities. Experience in leading multi-disciplinary teams, facilitating public input and bringing projects to completion through effective project management and collaborative problem solving is essential. Ability to review development proposals and provide constructive feedback to applicants verbally and in writing is essential. Ability to work within a team environment to identify issues and achieve problem resolution within defined time lines is necessary. Working knowledge of AutoCad, CorelDraw, PhotoShop, Illustration Sketch Up, etc, is desirable.

UBC hires on the basis of merit and is strongly committed to equity and diversity within its community. We especially welcome applications from visible minority group members, women, Aboriginal persons, persons with disabilities, persons of minority sexual orientations and gender identities, and others with the skills and knowledge to productively engage with diverse communities. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.

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