

Dear Colleagues:

Although the University of Michigan Urban and Regional Planning Program will not be conducting a regular faculty hire this year, I wanted to share several opportunities that exist which allow successful candidates to receive a fellowship position in our program.

I, or my faculty colleagues, are always happy to hear from strong applicants interested in any of these opportunities in any research area. In addition, I encourage applicants whose research and teaching interests relate to the areas of digital urbanism, an emerging focus area within the college.

Sincerely,

Robert Goodspeed

University-Wide Opportunities

University of Michigan Society of Fellows

Due: September 24, 2019

This fellowship program awards three-year fellowships to recent PhD graduates in the humanities, the arts, the social, physical, and life sciences, and in the professional schools. Recipients are placed in the program or department related to their scholarly area of interest.

In recent years, several fellows have been placed in the Urban and Regional Planning program.

<http://societyoffellows.umich.edu/>

University of Michigan President's Postdoctoral Fellowship Program

Due: November 1, 2019

Note: This is fellowship restricted to STEM, so Urban and Regional Planning can be a host department but the applicant must make the case they engage in STEM scholarship. In 2011, the University of Michigan joined in a collaborative partnership with the University of California to offer postdoctoral fellowship opportunities at the University of Michigan. In this program, the University of Michigan now offers postdoctoral research fellowships in science, technology, engineering, mathematics (STEM), economics, and political science, coupled with faculty mentoring, professional development, and academic networking opportunities. The University of Michigan views these postdoctoral fellowships as providing an exceptional opportunity to recruit potential new faculty to the University by offering the possibility of either a postdoc alone or a combined postdoc and tenure track faculty appointment. The University seeks applicants whose research, teaching, and service will contribute to diversity and equal opportunity in higher education. The program is particularly interested in scholars with the potential to bring to their research and undergraduate teaching the critical perspective that comes from their non-traditional educational background or understanding of the experiences of groups historically underrepresented in higher education.

<http://presidentspostdoc.umich.edu>

Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning

Taubman College Fishman Fellowship

Due: January 2020

Rank: junior

Note: This fellowship named its first fellow this year, I encourage urban planning scholars to apply this year. The Fishman Fellowship is a one-year teaching and research opportunity for leading early-career scholars and practitioners to generate the knowledge and capacity to improve urban futures. Fellows spend one year in residence and teach three classes related to their area of interest, in addition to pursuing their fellowship interest.

Opportunities exist for fellows to interface with scholars and researchers in the wider university context and to share the outcome of their fellowship project with the college. Resources are provided for the development and execution of a project that may take the form of a publication, exhibition, or symposium. The fellowship is open to scholars and practitioners who have completed a PhD or other terminal degree in planning, architecture, urban history, urban design, or a related field, and who aspire to shape urban thinking and practice.

<http://taubmancollege.umich.edu/faculty/fellowships>

Sojourner Truth Fellowship

Due: Varies

Rank: Any, typically mid/senior

Note: Terms vary, contact program head Prof. Joe Grengs to express interest.

The Sojourner Truth Fellow position in the Master of Urban Planning Program was created as a way to engage scholars and reflective practitioners who can bring into our program rigorous attention to issues of race and ethnicity as they relate to the theory and practice of urban and regional planning. The Sojourner Truth Fellow gives a lecture open to the university community during the academic term and visit campus for workshops with Taubman College students.

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