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SMR ARCHITECTS

An experienced architectural firm with a simple mission to put people first. We aim to craft inspired environments where people want to live, learn, work, and play. From affordable housing and renovation to mixed-use developments, we operate under the ethic that all people deserve enduring, quality design, which uses environmentally conscientious planning and sustainable materials. For us, architecture is about the people who ultimately use a building

SMR embraces diversity and equal opportunity, and the benefits they provide to our clients, our communities, and our company. We are committed to building a team that provides cultural richness and a variety of perspectives. The more inclusive and diverse we are, the better our work is.

POSITION OUTLINE

SMR Architects is looking for an individual with an interest in architecture and design. The position will consist of two primary components – a research project, and professional practice/training. The position will include reviewing architectural drawings and images of existing multi-family residential projects, interacting with architectural staff, researching, cataloging and evaluating multi-family housing unit types, and developing a design framework for that will be applied to unit design in current and future projects.

Project:

Researching existing methods and tools used in dwelling unit design (room layouts, environmental control, opportunities for personalization, materials research); understanding how good unit design can maximize comfort and safety in affordable housing; and developing a housing unit design framework that can serve as a tool for affordable housing design.

Professional Practice:

The professional practice component of the internship will include participation in ongoing project team activities including, but not limited to team meetings, construction meetings, project documentation (notes, research, photography), material selections, presentations. Interns will also be provided with opportunities to learn and use Revit – building modeling software that is widely used in the Architecture and Engineering fields.

Responsibilities may include the following:

- Attending SMR Architects staff meetings,
- Participating in learning opportunities/seminars/building tours,
- Researching and reviewing architectural documents and housing literature,
- Organizing and documenting housing unit design
- Summarizing and comparing housing unit design precedents,

- Generating graphic content (drawings and images) for use in office and industry events,
- Presentations to the office, clients

Skill development opportunities include the following:

- Self-motivation and collaboration,
- Creative problem solving,
- Verbal and written communication,
- Public speaking and presentation,
- Architectural drawing and representation (Revit),
- Data organization and analysis.

REQUIREMENTS

The ideal candidate is self-motivated; has communication and interpersonal skills. Interns are expected to work 24 hours a week for 10 to 12 weeks from mid-June through the end of August 2025. Successful applicants will be required to work in person at SMR Architects' office and must adhere to health and safety protocols in place at the time of internship. This internship is open to rising senior high school students, recent high school graduates and college students. Please note there is a minimum age requirement of 18 years to conduct site work on private property.

COMPENSATION

Hourly range \$21 – \$26/ hour. ORCA pass will be provided.

APPLICANTS

Are encouraged to submit the following materials to Rumi Takahashi (contact information below):

- Resume
- Creative work sample (for example: drawings, photography, writing, graphic design, textiles, painting, sculpture)
- Include a single sentence stating a desired learning outcome from the program in your letter/email of interest.

Rumi Takahashi, AIA, LEED AP BD+C

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