ARCHITECTURE

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Architecture Photos

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Architecture as a Career

- Why become an Architect?
- Is it rewarding and fun?
- What does an Architect really do?
- Course of studies Education
- Do Architects only design buildings?
- Opportunities in Architecture
- Licensing as an Architect

Architectural Firm Profile

- Many architectural firm have experience working with government agencies, schools boards, homeowner associations, private clients and many other various committees.
- A firm of individuals joined together by a commitment to be creative while providing a beautiful yet functional design.
- A firm with a strong identity and commitment to our clients and our ourselves.
- A firm with a strong commitment to sustainability and green building design.

Fisher Associates Architects Project Photos

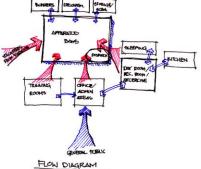












Services Provided by an Architectural Design Team

The type of services provided to clients include:

- Architect ~ team leader
- Mechanical engineering
- Electrical engineering
- Structural engineering
- Civil engineering
- Landscaping
- Interior Design and Layouts
- Other specialties as the project requires

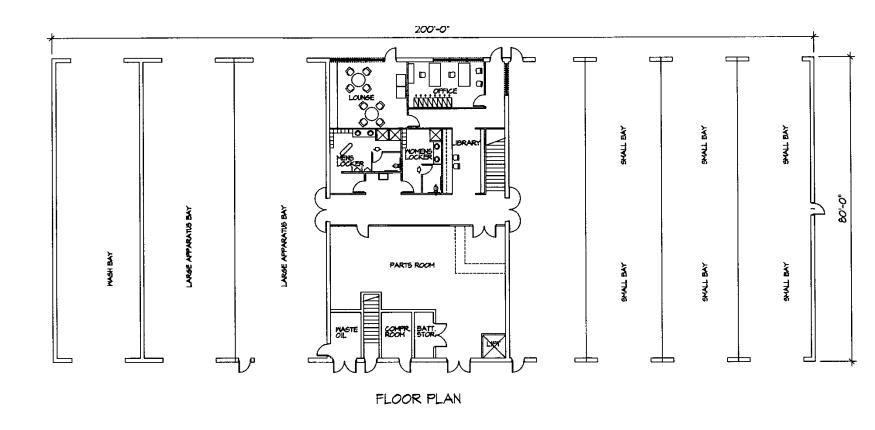
Pre-Design Process...

- Develop Questionnaire
- Visit Other Facilities
- Program Meetings to Develop a Written Program
 - 1. Building Program
 - 2. Site Development and Civil Engineering Needs
 - 3. Master Plan
- Code and Zoning Research
- Understand Goals, Think About Details, Analyze Site and Apply Reality
- Finalize Space Needs Program
- Review, Modify, Approve and Publish Written Program

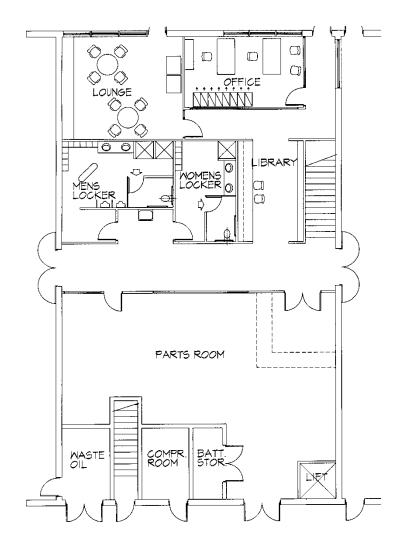
Schematic Design Process...

- Assist in Site Selection & Evaluation
- Prepare Conceptual Floor Plans
- Prepare Conceptual Site Plans
- Develop Building Elevations
- Quality Assurance
 - 1. Do Plans Meet Program Needs and Established Budget
 - 2. Does Design meet Building Code Requirements
 - 3. Does Site Plan Accommodate Other Users
- Prepare Budget Analysis
- Review and Modify as necessary to meet all requirements
- Receive Approval of Designs

Preliminary Floor Plan



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Design Development Process...

- Finalize Site Plan, Floor Plans, Sections and Elevations
- Structural Design
- Mechanical Design
- Electrical Design
- Civil Engineering
- Materials and Finishes
- Prepare Statement of Probable Construction Cost
- Submittals to Owner for Approvals
- Receive Approval of Designs

Construction Documents

- Architectural
- Structural
- Mechanical
- Electrical
- Civil Engineering
- Finalize Materials, Finishes and Details
- Specifications
- Review and Update Statement of Probable Construction Cost
- Submittals to Owner for Approvals
- Review and Modify as Necessary
- Release for Bidding

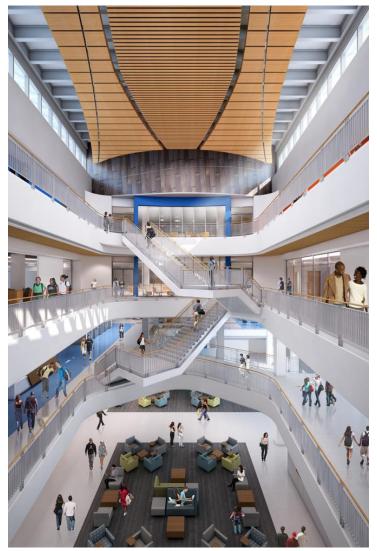
Bidding and Negotiation Process...

- Release documents to Contractors, Sub-Contractors, Plan Rooms, etc.
- Submit to Building Department for Review
- Respond to Inquiries and Questions
- Prepare Addenda
- Assist in Pre-Proposal Meeting
- Assist in Receipt of Bids
- Make Recommendations for Award
- Assist in Preparation of Contract

Construction Administration

- Perform Job Site Observations
- Review Shop Drawings and Submittals
- Review Pay Requests
- Review Change Order Requests
- Prepare Request For Information documents and Field Orders
- Conduct Final Inspection
- Assure Warranties and Instruction Manuals are Submitted
- Perform 6 and 11 Month Follow-Up Inspections





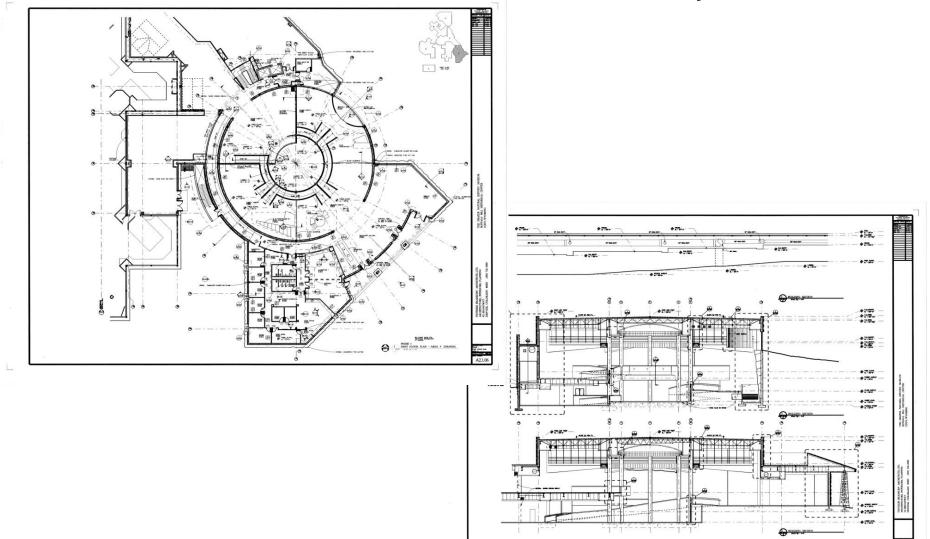


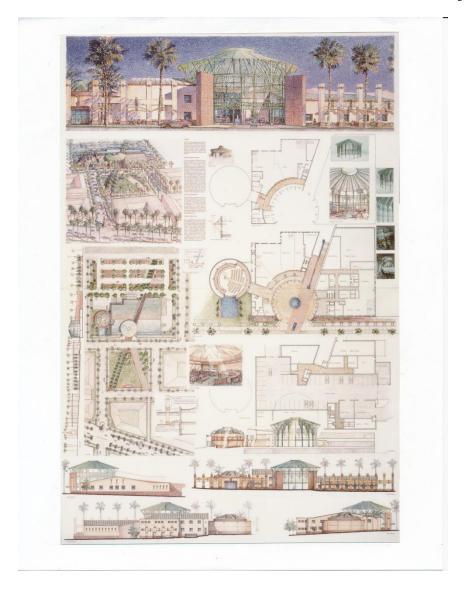












Career Opportunities within Architecture

- Found your own Architectural Firm
- Work in a small, medium or large firm
- University & School Facilities Architect
- Professor/Instructor of Architecture
- Historic Preservation Architect

Other Career Opportunities

- Developer
- Design/Build Contractor or General Contractor
- Construction Manager
- Space Planning & Furniture Design
- Materials Sales Representative
- Materials Research
- Construction Investigation and Litigation Expert
- Computer Programmer and Games Programing
- Designer or CAD Operator or Project Manager
- Product Design
- Car Interior Design
- Movie Set Design
- Computer Software Design

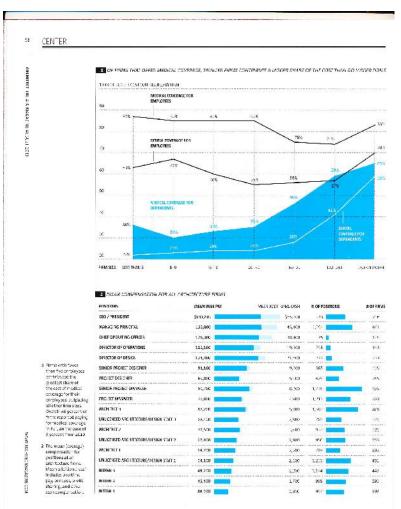
Suggested Course Studies

- Math (Algebra and Trigonometry as a minimum)
- Art including freehand sketching and colors
- Writing
- Social Studies
- Computer Science and Technology
- History
- Some drafting including computer drafting
- Observe buildings and spaces. How do they function? How about color and texture of materials? How do they make you feel?

Licensing Requirements

- Graduation from an accredited university with a 5 year program for a Bachelor of Architecture or a 6 year program for a Master of Architecture.
- Degrees in Environmental Sciences or Architectural studies are not the same as a degree in Architecture.
- Three or four years as an intern working for an architect.
- Passing a four day national license exam on design, site planning, structures, mechanical design, electrical design and materials

Employee Compensation Graph



- Architect 3 \$88,200 (10 years)
- Unlicensed 3 \$68,400
- Architect 2 \$72,500 (8 years)
- Unlicensed 2 \$62,900
- Architect 1 \$59,700 (5 years)
- Unlicensed 1 \$54,100)
- Intern 3 \$49,200 (3-6 years)
- Intern 2 \$45,400 (1-3 years)
- Intern 1 \$40,000 (Entry)

Bonuses range from \$1500 to over \$900 per year

2013 AIA Architect Design Award Winners

American Institute of Architects









