



Company Mentorship Application

Company Names: Schneider Design, Architects, PC - The Buffalo Design Collaborative & Schneider Development, LLC

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Internship Information

Organization Description

Please include overview of company including mission statement and services provided. Provide any information that will help the student better understand your organization.

Schneider Design, Architects, PC & The Buffalo Design Collaborative

Schneider Design, Architects, PC is a small, second generation architectural firm located in Buffalo's historic Allentown district. As a member firm of the Buffalo Design Collaborative, SDA has access to a multi-talented team of in-house design professionals whose concentrations in the various disciplines of the built environment is put to great advantage on every project we undertake.

Specializing in projects of 1-5 million dollars in scope, Jake Schneider, the firm's president, has built a reputation for careful attention to client goals, creative architectural solutions and a business philosophy dedicated to client service.

Since the formation of SDA in 1979 the firm has provided services on a wide range of projects for numerous clients throughout Western New York. The company's strength lies in its low volume-hands on approach, careful selection and orchestration of project team members and a fierce commitment to successful project scheduling and budget control.

SDA provides a full complement of architectural services starting during the embryonic stages of project planning to in-depth surveys of existing facilities.

Services provided:

Master Planning
Feasibility Studies
Facility Maintenance Studies
Facility Surveys
Building Design
Rehabilitation & Renovation
Restoration & Preservation
Design Programming & Space Planning
Interior Design
Site Evaluations
Site Development
Zoning Assistance
Landscape Architecture
Electrical Engineering
Mechanical Engineering
Cost Estimating
Value Engineering
Project Coordination

Schneider Development, LLC

Jake Schneider began his development efforts in 2003 with a mission statement committed to the adaptive reuse of vacant and derelict properties in Buffalo's downtown core.

Today he is responsible for the revitalization of four unique facilities totaling over 250,000 square feet of office, retail and housing space.

Mr. Schneider's expertise, gained in over 25 years as a practicing architect in the WNY community, has given him a distinct professional advantage for adaptive reuse development projects. His experience in the fields of historic architecture, project delivery, project estimating, construction methods, construction materials, design, scheduling and project management have favorably positioned him to design and construct affordable facilities that are both functional and attractive.

He has been extremely creative with the use of community development incentive programs having employed, *NYS Empire Zone Benefits, ECIDA Pilot Project Benefits, Buffalo Economic Renaissance Corporation Financing* and *Federal Historic Tax Credits* in order to provide the gap financing required to make these projects viable in Buffalo's challenging market.

His development projects have won awards from the *Buffalo Preservation Board, Buffalo Business First* and *Working For Downtown*.



Internship Title and Responsibilities

What will your intern's title be? What tasks and projects will they participate in? Any additional ways they will be involved in your organization?

Interns at the Buffalo Design Collaborative are introduced to many aspects of the design and constructions field and perform various tasks throughout the office in order to obtain wide exposure to the practice of architecture, interior design, landscape design and photography. We regularly invite architectural interns to join us on job site inspections, internal design and staff meetings and client meetings. Additionally, our architectural interns are encouraged to discover various business aspects of the Design Collaborative, including assistance with file organization and file management, marketing initiatives, and the production of construction documents for our clients.

Intern Requirements

Are there any specific skills and qualifications you expect from your intern? For example, would you like someone with an exceptional understanding and use of Microsoft Excel or similar programs? Do you prefer someone studying a certain concentration area? With a certain GPA? Please be specific.

We look for candidates with a strong work ethic, experience in being a team player, a positive attitude and interest in learning. Ideally, architectural interns are also comfortable using AutoCad, (not a requirement) Adobe Photoshop (not a requirement) and Microsoft products such as Word, Excel, and PowerPoint.

Internship Learning Objectives (**IMPORTANT**)

What can the intern expect to take away from this internship? Any specific skills they may not otherwise learn in the classroom? Will they learn in depth knowledge about a certain area of your organization? Think about what the intern's daily tasks will be and what the student will write on his or her resume.

Interns can expect to learn about the practice of architecture, construction, landscape and interior design, photography, architectural firm management and operations. We educate our interns in the practice of architecture, giving a basic introduction to construction document preparation, and other skills that will help the individual to become acquainted with careers in the architecture and design profession so that they may be better prepared for their futures.

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