University of Oregon, Department of Architecture
ARCH 4/609  Practicum – Off Campus Experience in Eugene or Portland

ARCHITECTS IN SCHOOLS

1 credit, Spring Term 2011 (training for this program takes place winter quarter)
Portland training session: Saturday, January 29
Eugene training session: Wednesday, February 9 (evening)

Portland Orientation: Sat. Jan. 29, 8:30–4:00pm at the University of Oregon in Portland, White Stag Block, 70 NW Couch St., Portland
Eugene/Salem Orientation: Wed. Feb. 9, 4:45–6:30 at the Bush Barn Art Center, 600 Mission St. SE, Salem

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The Architects in Schools Program (http://www.af-oregon.org/education/architects-in-schools/) matches architects and architecture students with 3rd through 5th grade teachers for a 6 week classroom residency that incorporates art and architecture into existing classroom curriculum. Architecture students will be assigned a practicing architect who will mentor their participation, or will be directly paired with a practicing architect who will also participate. The program is based on a curriculum guide that teaches participants to use architectural concepts, including “green” building concepts to teach math, science, social studies, language arts and other disciplines.

Students can expect to:
- Commit approximately 25–30 hours (12 hours of classroom time plus planning hours and reporting hours) between January and May 2011
- Work with the classroom teacher, architects, and architecture students to plan curricular goals, lessons and schedules.
- Visit classes approximately one–three hours per week over a six–week period (schedule will be decided in collaboration with the classroom teacher)
- Support elementary students’ creation of a culminating project for exhibition in downtown Portland beginning on the First Thursday of May. Exhibition of student work in Eugene will also be arranged.
- Prepare a report on their experience that will be submitted to the supervising faculty and their architect mentor for evaluation.

**Graduate students enrolled in ARCH 609** will spend an additional 10 hours on a reading or evaluation activity they develop that is closely related to their work in the program. Prof. Theodoropoulos can help them identify options for this.

**Space is limited:** Interested students should send an email to Kathy Cannon at cannon@uoregon.edu explaining what they hope to gain from the program and attach a copy of their resume. Availability to participate in winter training and planning activities is required.