



# American Institute of Architects

Announces:

## 2013 AIA Summer Advocacy Fellowship

open to all

### AIA Associate Members

#### Program Intention:

To provide Associate Members the opportunity to engage with AIA Advocacy staff regarding legislative issues that influence the profession of architecture. Recipients will receive summer fellowships and will spend eight weeks beginning mid June 2013 working at AIA Headquarters in Washington DC. Fellowship recipients will gain experience in the following areas:

1. Legislative Action
2. Regulatory Reform
3. Public Advocacy

#### Eligibility and Funding 2013:

All current Associate members of the AIA will be eligible for the Fellowship program. There will be a minimum of two fellowship awards for 2013. Each recipient will receive a \$6,000 stipend for the fellowship period. All housing, meals and incidental costs will be the responsibility of the fellowship recipient.

#### Applications:

Applications must include the following:

- Name, Address, email and member number.
- Five hundred word essay addressing the following:
  - Interest in advocacy
  - Background or experience in community projects or activities.
  - Participation in leadership activities.Applicants may add one additional page of images or graphic content .
- Resume
- Three letters of recommendation that can speak to the applicant's interest and or experience in advocacy.

#### Outcomes Report:

Each recipient of the fellowship must submit a written report within one month of the conclusion of the fellowship. The report and cover letter should be addressed to:

AIA Advocacy Sub Committee on Emerging Professionals:  
Adam Melis: Director, Political Affairs & Engagement  
American Institute of Architects  
1735 New York Av  
Washington DC 20006

The report must have as a minimum the following information:

1. Introduction: An overview of the fellowship including activities and advocacy issues that were experienced.
2. Identify learning outcomes of the fellowship.
3. Identify how what you learned has influenced your understanding and perceptions of the profession of architecture.
4. Identify how the lessons learned from the fellowship may influence your career.
5. Summary including how the fellowship program can be improved.
6. All recipients will be required to make a verbal and graphic presentation of their summer fellowship experiences to their local AIA chapter no later than December 2013.

Submissions Due: **January 15, 2013** in PDF Format

Address submissions to:

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Questions regarding the fellowship may be addressed to:

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