THE 2015
ARCHITECTURE
STUDENT
RESEARCH
GRANTS

Deadline for entries is 11:59PM, THURSDAY, MARCH 26.
Grant winners will be announced at the BEAUX ARTS BALL, SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 2015.
Presentation of the work to the university-at-large as a short lecture and gallery exhibition will be in OCTOBER 2015.

Each year, the graduating architecture students fund a gift to the college in honor of their class. The Architecture Student Research Grant (ASRG) tradition, initiated by the Class of 2013, provides a unique opportunity for students to support outstanding research from their peers.

While distant sites, subjects, and audiences often monopolize the attention of our research as students, this year the Architecture Student Research Grant 2015 calls attention to the city of Ann Arbor. From the third largest stadium in the world to a home with no right angles, Ann Arbor houses an exciting range of urban and architectural conditions that demand critical interrogation, masterful representation, and public exhibition. By engaging in projects that tackle themes spanning anywhere from production to consumption, research to practice, the individual to the collective, or the physical to the digital among many other possibilities, we have a chance to recontextualize and reconstruct our environment.

ELIGIBILITY
All current undergraduate or graduate students from the architecture programs at Taubman College graduating in the class of 2016 are eligible to apply. Students are encouraged pursue team members from other disciplines, as well as from different stages of education (eg an undergrad / grad team), and solo proposals will be accepted. At least one team member must be from Taubman College, with other individuals potentially recruited from additional disciplines.

ASSESSMENT
Project proposals can take many forms—built objects, public installations, experiments in representation, curatorial practices, written works, etc. The final format of the research will be both an exhibition and lecture to the general Ann Arbor public, therefore projects that maximize the potential of these formats will be preferred. Finally, the budget is real. Projects that convey a strong awareness of their research/exhibition costs and how they plan to optimize the use of their funds will be favored.

QUESTIONS:
Email ARC Members Luis Orozco (lourozco@umich.edu) and Jawwad Nakai (sijnakai@umich.edu).

REQUIREMENTS
All submissions should be sent as a single PDF file to Erik Bonett (egbonett@umich.edu) by the deadline. The material will be evaluated anonymously by a blind jury of graduating students and applicants must ensure that no part of the submittal could be used to identify them by name.

Submittals must include the following:
1 page project proposal that contains a 250 word abstract and may include images
1 page proposed project schedule
1 page line-item budget
Samples of previous work for each team member (not to exceed 1 pages/architecture student)

3 GRANTS LECTURE & EXHIBITION OVER $1000 EACH
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