

EMPLOYMENT REPORT

2023 Graduating Class Survey Results

**TAUBMAN COLLEGE
CAREER AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**



OVERVIEW

A degree from Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning presents opportunities throughout your career. From the moment you join Taubman College, you have access to one of the world's largest, most diverse, and most passionate alumni communities through the University of Michigan. These alumni are highly connected leaders who are engaged in the life of the college through networking events, Career Treks, Career Fairs, and more. "Go Blue" is a unifying statement of pride and recognition of excellence that will expand your network and open doors for you for a lifetime in any setting to which you aspire - from the more traditional firm, nonprofit and governmental options to unique entrepreneurial ventures or corporate environments.

This report reflects the outcomes for the most recently surveyed Taubman College graduates.



Taubman College Career Fair

98%

of 2023 graduates said their first position was related to their degree

At one-year survey, 68% response rate, 85% knowledge rate.

10,000+

U-M maintains one of the largest alumni networks, with more than 650,000 alumni around the world. Among them are over 10,000 Taubman College alumni working in every state and in 78 countries

“Taubman College taught me to be expressive and bold in my work and to seek opportunities that would allow me to grow and develop in my passions.”

CAREER AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

AT TAUBMAN COLLEGE / U-M NETWORK

Students and alumni have the advantage of ongoing skill development, search strategy, and career management resources provided by the Taubman College Career and Professional Development team. The team is a strong complement to students' academic preparation as dedicated professional career staff work within Taubman College to provide assistance and resources specific to architecture, urban planning, urban design, and urban technology.

Serving Alumni and Students

The Taubman College Career Network is a one-stop platform where students (and alumni) can connect directly with alumni who have "opted in" to serve as a career resource, find job and internship postings, schedule career and academic advising appointments, register for career events, and gain access to a wide variety of additional career resources.

Connecting Students and Employers

Each year, the Taubman College Career Fairs facilitate connections with alumni and employers from across the country who are interested in recruiting Taubman College student talent. With virtual and in-person options both fall and winter semesters, our fairs have become increasingly accessible to meet a wider variety of employer and student needs. Portfolio Review and Speed Networking events offer additional opportunities to make connections.

Empowering Students to Explore Career Opportunities

Career Treks were conducted in Chicago, Boston, and Washington D.C. in the 2023-2024 academic year, offering groups of students the opportunity to connect with several employers and alumni in a short trip to one city. Along with the programming already outlined, the Career and Professional Development team connects students with alumni through periodic networking events and a boot-camp-type January Career Intensive.

The Career and Professional Development team serves both students and alumni at all stages of their career, providing support, resources and strategy regardless of the hiring market.



Career Trek in Boston



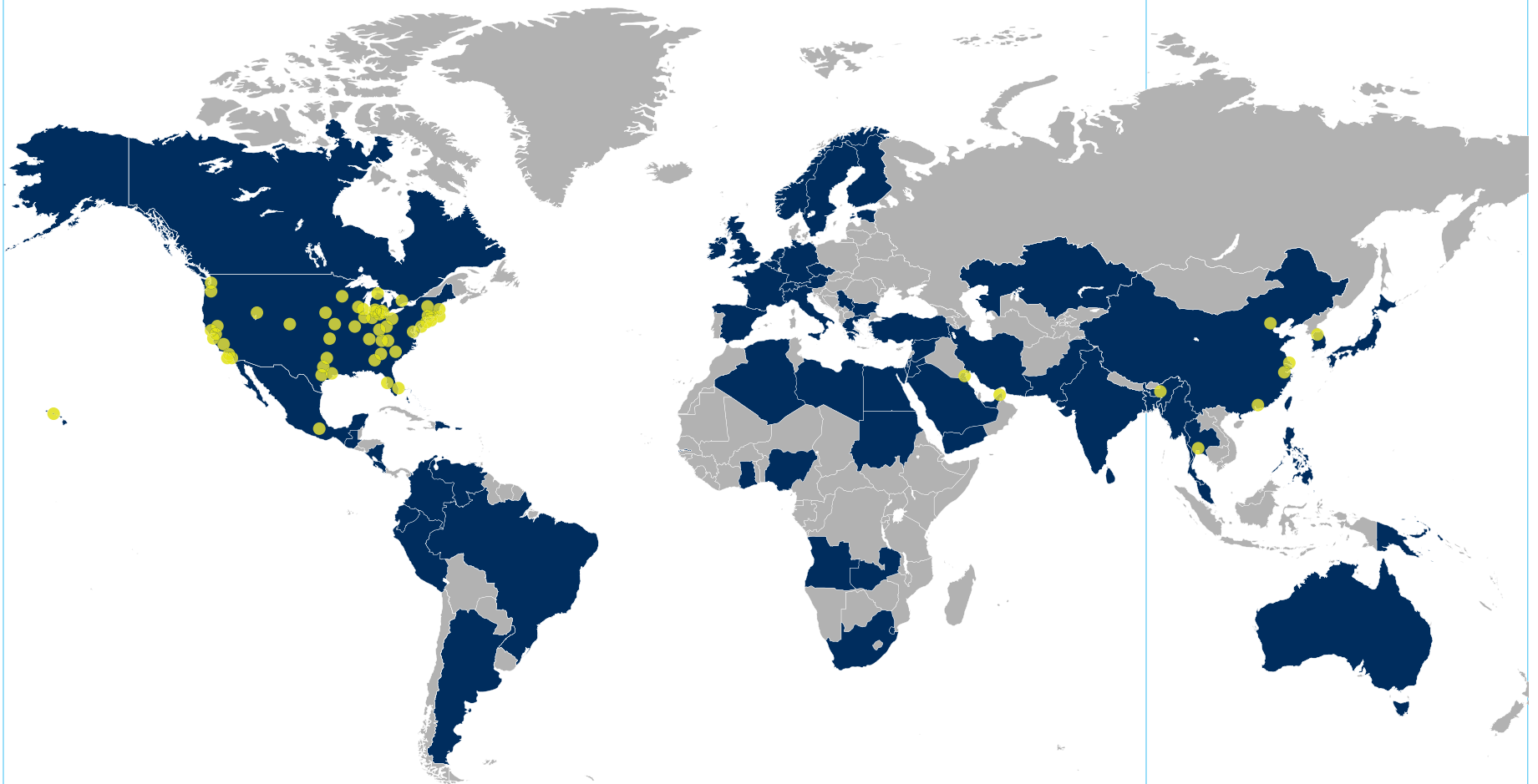
Speed Networking

TAUBMAN COLLEGE ALUMNI LOCATIONS

/ INCLUDES ALL DEGREE PROGRAMS

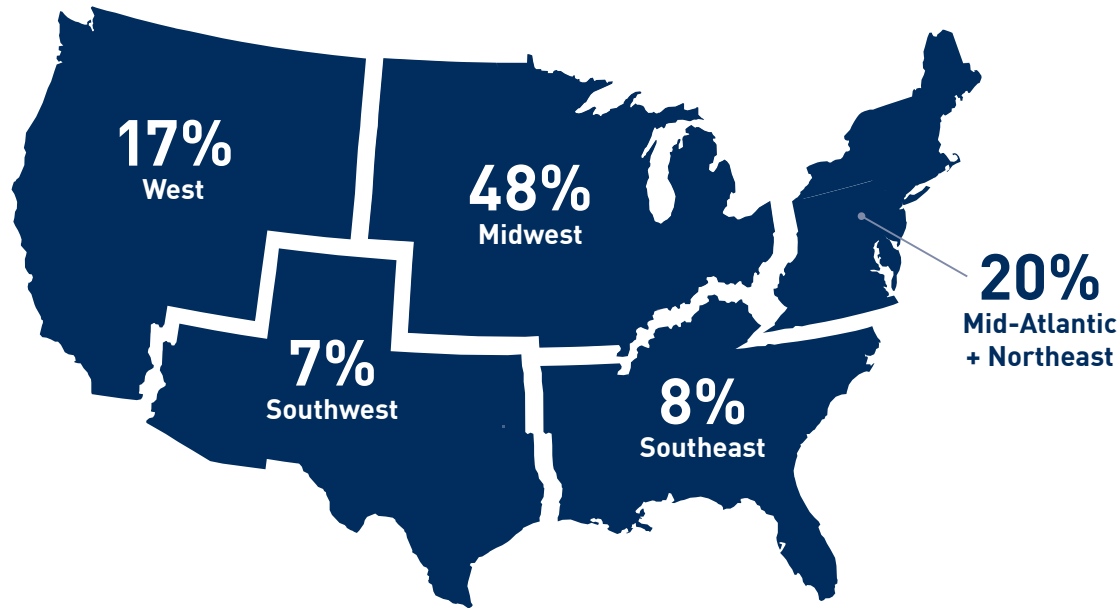
Our 2023 graduates took positions across the United States and also headed to 8 other countries: Canada, China, India, Kuwait, Mexico, South Korea, Thailand, United Arab Emirates.

- 2023 Graduates
- All Taubman College Alumni



TAUBMAN COLLEGE ALUMNI LOCATIONS

/ INCLUDES ALL DEGREE PROGRAMS



“Taubman provided all kinds of resources throughout the job searching process. I didn’t know how big the Taubman alumni network was!”

78 COUNTRIES

Overall alumni locations

TOP 10 (NON-U.S.) COUNTRIES

China, South Korea, India, Canada, Taiwan, Thailand, Hong Kong, United Kingdom, Saudi Arabia, Singapore

(Listed in order of greatest number of alumni)

TOP 10 U.S. METRO AREAS

Detroit; New York City; Chicago; San Francisco; Grand Rapids; Los Angeles; Washington, D.C.; Boston; Seattle; Denver; Atlanta; Philadelphia

(Listed in order of greatest number of alumni)

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ARCHITECTURE DIGITAL MATERIALS AND TECHNOLOGY / 2023 GRADS

EMPLOYER	LOCATION	POSITION
ARPM Design and Research	Guwahati, India	Computational Designer and Researcher
Drophouse Design	Austin, TX	Project Designer
Lassen Peak	Seattle, WA	Systems Engineer
NeoForge Corp.	New Haven, CT	Robotics Programmer
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New Bedford Research & Robotics	New Bedford, MA	Manager of Design Research & Technologies
SPACE/CRAFT Worldwide	Happauge, NY	Advanced Manufacturing Engineer
University of Tennessee Knoxville	Knoxville, TN	Computational Fabrication Tech
Wannemacher Jensen Architects	Saint Petersburg, FL	Architectural Designer
Zahner	Kansas City, MO	Project Engineer

85%

EMPLOYED

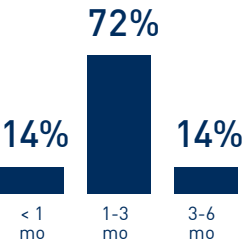
15%

CONTINUING EDUCATION

100%

POSITION RELATED TO DEGREE

TIME TO FIND POSITION



At one-year survey, 60% response rate, 87% knowledge rate.

MASTER OF URBAN DESIGN / DECEMBER 2022 GRADS

EMPLOYER	LOCATION	POSITION
AECOM	Dallas, TX	Urban Designer
AECOM	Beijing, China	Urban Designer
AECOM	Hong Kong, China	Associate Director
AECOM	Shenzhen, China	Urban Designer II
Agency Landscape + Planning	Cambridge, MA	Urban Planner / Designer
CannonDesign	Chicago, IL	Architectural Designer 1A
Dubai Future Foundation	Dubai, United Arab Emirates	Urban Designer Researcher
Gensler	Nashville, TN	Technical Designer
Integrated Design Solutions	Troy, MI	Architect II
RDC-S111	Long Beach, CA	Designer
Sasaki	Denver, CO	Urban Designer
Skidmore, Owings & Merrill	Dubai, United Arab Emirates	Junior Designer
SWA Group	Laguna Beach, CA	Urban Designer
ZGF Architects	Portland, OR	Architect Level II

“Taubman College gave me opportunities to explore and develop new interests which helped me think about issues holistically. I also simultaneously got to explore and learn about the type of work happening in the US through various initiatives which helped me find the right direction and work environment after graduation.”

88%

EMPLOYED

12%

SEEKING EMPLOYMENT

100%

POSITION RELATED TO DEGREE

At one-year survey, 82% response rate, 94% knowledge rate.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ARCHITECTURE / 2023 GRADS

EMPLOYER	LOCATION	POSITION
Ann Arbor Collaborative Architecture	Ann Arbor, MI	Architectural Designer
CHAT Architects	Bangkok, Thailand	Junior Architect / Project Manager
CTA Architects	New York, NY	Architectural Designer
DFDG Architects	Ann Arbor, MI	Architectural Designer
Dixon Architecture	Ada, MI	Architectural Project Manager
DTJ Design	Boulder, CO	Architectural Designer
Electric Housing	Brighton, MI	Project Assistant
Enviah	Grand Rapids, MI	Associate Designer
Ivanho Architect Limited	Hong Kong, China	Architectural Assistant
Ja Architecture Studio	Toronto, Canada	Junior Designer
JMZ Architects and Planners	Glens Falls, NY	Planner
JRM Construction Management	New York, NY	Rotation Program Trainee
Kohler Architecture	Monroe, MI	Architectural Designer
Krieger Klatt Architects	Royal Oak, MI	Architectural Technician
Landing Studio	Somerville, MA	Architectural Designer
Mass Transit Authority Flint	Flint, MI	Transit Planner
McIntosh Poris Architects	Birmingham, MI	Designer
Next Step Ministries	Madison, WI	Training Program Coordinator
PARINI	Detroit, MI	Designer
RH	Birmingham, MI	Interior Design Consultant
Scott Mitchell Studio	Los Angeles, CA	Associate
Selser Schaefer Architects	Tulsa, OK	Architectural Intern
Shive-Hattery	South Bend, IN	Design Professional
Sofa Savers	Ann Arbor, MI	Co-Founder
SOLSTICE Planning and Architecture	Sarasota, FL	Design Professional
Team Enterprises	Miami, FL	Junior Strategist
Terraforma Landscape Architects & Contractors	Whitmore Lake, MI	Architectural Associate
The Think Shop Architects	Detroit, MI	Architectural Associate
TowerPinkster	Grand Rapids, MI	Architectural Technician

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67%

EMPLOYED

33%

CONTINUING EDUCATION

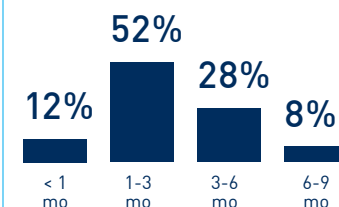
2023 graduates continued their graduate education at the following schools:

Columbia University
 Massachusetts Institute of Technology
 Northwestern University
 Princeton University
 University of California, Berkeley
 University of Michigan
 University of Pennsylvania
 University of Southern California

100%

POSITION RELATED TO DEGREE

TIME TO FIND POSITION




At one-year survey, 70% response rate, 87% knowledge rate.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ARCHITECTURE / 2023 GRADS (CONT.)

EMPLOYER	LOCATION	POSITION
University of Michigan	Mexico City, Mexico	Wallenberg Fellow
U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Overseas Buildings Operations	Arlington, VA	Program Analyst
Welch Design Studio	El Segundo, CA	Architecture Staff
WTA Architects	Saginaw, MI	Architectural Staff

“I am so grateful to Taubman College for teaching me how to effectively and confidently communicate my ideas. Something that is so incredibly essential in the professional world.”



MASTER OF URBAN AND REGIONAL PLANNING / 2023 GRADS

EMPLOYER	LOCATION	POSITION
AECOM	Detroit, MI	Transportation Planner
Amtrak	Washington, D.C.	Senior Service Planner
Avalon Housing	Ann Arbor, MI	Evaluation and Innovation Manager
Beckett & Raeder	Petoskey, MI	Project Planner
Beckett & Raeder	Ann Arbor, MI	Project Planner
Carlisle / Wortman Associates	Ann Arbor, MI	Community Planner
City of Aurora	Aurora, CO	GIS Specialist II
City of Detroit	Detroit, MI	Housing Data Specialist
City of Kansas City	Kansas City, MO	Long Range Planner
City of Kirkland	Kirkland, WA	Assistant Planner
Detroit Land Bank Authority	Detroit, MI	Real Estate Project Liaison
Economic & Planning Systems	Denver, CO	Associate
Fehr & Peers	Salt Lake City, UT	Planner/Engineer
Fehr & Peers	Oakland, CA	Transportation Planner I
Guidehouse	Washington, D.C.	Senior Consultant, State & Local Government
Hawai'i State Judiciary	Honolulu, HI	Judicial Law Clerk
HDR	Denver, CO	Multimodal transportation planner I
Jacobs	Morristown, NJ	Environmental Resilience Planner
Kimley-Horn	Columbus, OH	Transportation Planner
McKenna	Northville, MI	Associate Planner
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Metropolitan Council of the Twin Cities	Saint Paul, MN	Senior Data Scientist
Michigan Sea Grant	Ann Arbor, MI	Great Lakes Environmental Research Laboratory Liaison
NoMa Business Improvement District	Washington, D.C.	Senior Associate of Planning and Economic Development
Planning NEXT	Columbus, OH	Planner
Qcells USA Corp.	Irvine, CA	EPC Proposal Manager
School of Public Health, University of Michigan	Ann Arbor, MI	Program Manager

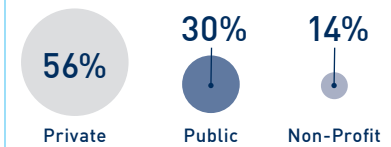
98%

EMPLOYED

2%

CONTINUING EDUCATION

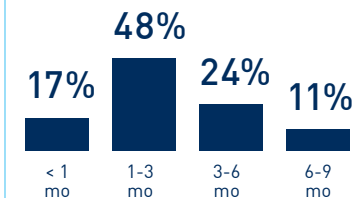
SECTOR OF WORK



100%

POSITION RELATED TO DEGREE

TIME TO FIND POSITION



At one-year survey, 76% response rate, 91% knowledge rate.

MASTER OF URBAN AND REGIONAL PLANNING / 2023 GRADS (CONT.)

EMPLOYER	LOCATION	POSITION
San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency	San Francisco, CA	Transit Planner
Shanghai Tongji Urban Planning and Design Institute	Shanghai, China	Urban Planner
Shenzhen Leiao Planning and Design Consulting Company	Shenzen, China	Junior Planner
Starbucks	Seattle, WA	Associate Strategy Manager, Strategic Initiatives Team
The Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (AMPO)	Arlington, VA	Intergovernmental Affairs Manager
Urban3	Asheville, NC	Analyst
U.S. Department of Transportation, Volpe Center	Washington, D.C.	Policy Analyst
Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission	Ann Arbor, MI	Park Planner I
WSP	Detroit, MI	Associate Transportation Planner

“Taubman helped solidify my planning knowledge and explore new, diverse, perspectives that I would have never been exposed to if I did not attend graduate school. Taubman helped me grow as a person, as a planner, and as a coalition builder.”



PH.D. IN ARCHITECTURE / 2023 GRADS

EMPLOYER	LOCATION	POSITION
Kuwait University	Kuwait City, Kuwait	Assistant Professor
Korea Institute of Civil Engineering and Building Technology	Gyeonggi-do, South Korea	Postdoctoral Researcher

100%

EMPLOYED

100%

POSITION RELATED TO DEGREE

At one-year survey, 50% response rate, 100% knowledge rate.

PH.D. IN URBAN AND REGIONAL PLANNING / 2023 GRADS

EMPLOYER	LOCATION	POSITION
Wayne State University	Detroit, MI	Assistant Professor

100%

EMPLOYED

100%

POSITION RELATED TO DEGREE

At one-year survey, 100% response rate.

MASTER OF ARCHITECTURE / 2023 GRADS

EMPLOYER	LOCATION	POSITION
Acheson Doyle Partners Architects	New York, NY	Architectural Designer
AECOM	Detroit, MI	Architecture Designer II
AECOM	Cleveland, OH	Architecture Designer
Arc Architects	Seattle, WA	Architectural Designer
architrave p.c. architects	Washington, D.C.	Designer
Argo Real Estate	New York, NY	Development Associate
Arketype Architects	Ventura, CA	Architectural Designer
Atelier Archmixing	Shanghai, China	Assistant Architect
Auburn University	Auburn, AL	Assistant Professor (Tenure-Track) of Design
Bain & Company	Chicago, IL	Consultant
BBCO Design	Columbus, OH	Senior Designer
BCV Architects	New York, NY	Job Captain
Bowers and Associates	Ann Arbor, MI	Architectural Designer
Carrier Johnson + Culture	Los Angeles, CA	Designer
Clark & Enersen	Lincoln, NE	Architectural Designer
Combined Architecture	Brooklyn, NY	Architectural Associate
Corgan	Atlanta, GA	Project Specialist
Corgan	New York, NY	Project Specialist
CosciaMoos Architecture	Philadelphia, PA	Intern Architect
Curry Boudreaux Architects	Houston, TX	Junior Architect
DAHLIN Group	Irvine, CA	Designer/Drafter
DXU Architects	El Segundo, CA	Architectural Designer
END Studio	Detroit, MI	Architectural Designer
Gensler	Morristown, NJ	Technical Designer
Ghafari Associates	Dearborn, MI	Architect I
Ghafari Associates	Chicago, IL	Architect I
GKW Architects	Campbell, CA	Architectural Designer
GMB	Royal Oak, MI	Project Designer

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92%

EMPLOYED

4%

CONTINUING EDUCATION

3%

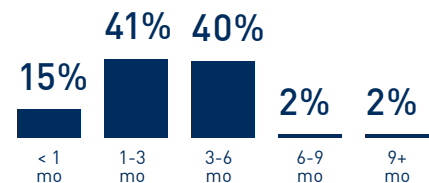
SEEKING EMPLOYMENT

1% NOT SEEKING EMPLOYMENT

94%

POSITION RELATED TO DEGREE

TIME TO FIND POSITION



At one-year survey, 67% response rate, 79% knowledge rate

MASTER OF ARCHITECTURE / 2023 GRADS (CONT.)

EMPLOYER	LOCATION	POSITION
Grupo7 Architecture + Interiors	Washington, D.C.	Project Manager
HGA	Milwaukee, WI	Design Coordinator
Hixson Architecture, Engineering, Interiors	Cincinnati, OH	Architectural Designer
Hobbs+Black Architects	Ann Arbor, MI	Project Assistant
HOK	Kansas City, MO	Architectural Design Professional
HOK	Chicago, IL	Design Professional
HOK	Chicago, IL	Design Professional - Junior Medical Planner
Jonathan Wang Design	Culver City, CA	Architectural Design Intern
Kjirsten Harpain	Selma, CA	Architectural Drafter
KOO LLC	Chicago, IL	Architectural Designer
MESH Build Design Studio	Oakland, CA	Architectural Designer
Miller Hayashi Architects	Seattle, WA	Architectural Designer
Moody Nolan	Columbus, OH	Project Coordinator
MSR Design	Minneapolis, MN	Designer
Nia Architects	Chicago, IL	Architectural Designer
Niles Bolton Associates	Atlanta, GA	Architecture Associate
Office for Metropolitan Architecture	New York, NY	Junior Architect
OPN Architects	Madison, WI	Emerging Professional I
OX Studio	Ann Arbor, MI	Architectural Associate
Perkins&Will	Chicago, IL	DESIGNER I
Perkins&Will	Houston, TX	Healthcare Fellow
PGAV Destinations	St. Louis, MO	Architectural Designer
Ply + Architecture	Ann Arbor, MI	Design Professional
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PQNK	Anaheim, CA	Project Designer
Quinn Evans	Ann Arbor, MI	Architect
Quinn Evans	Washington, D.C.	Designer
Quinn Evans	Ann Arbor, MI	Staff Designer
Re:Vision Architecture	Philadelphia, PA	Architectural Coordinator

“Taubman has an amazing career services center that was always willing to help. I could walk in any day and ask questions about how to secure a job and what to do in an interview or when negotiating a salary. Taubman also has an amazing network of people who can help connect you to prospective employers or career opportunities!”

MASTER OF ARCHITECTURE / 2023 GRADS (CONT.)

EMPLOYER	LOCATION	POSITION
Redstone Architects	Bingham Farms, MI	Project Designer
RINKA	Fort Lauderdale, FL	Designer
Rios	Los Angeles, CA	Designer
Ross Barney Architects	Chicago, IL	Architectural Designer
Rule Joy Trammell Rubio	Atlanta, GA	Associate
Schüco USA	New York, NY	Assistant Computational Designer
SEEK Design + Architecture	Chicago, IL	Project Designer
Senses Designs	Denver, CO	Founder/Lead Designer
SGA Design Group	Tulsa, OK	Architectural Designer
Stantec	Berkley, MI	Architectural Designer
Stantec	Sacramento, CA	Designer
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Stantec	Sacramento, CA	Designer
The Cohousing Company	Nevada City, CA	Architectural Intern
the design COLLECTIVE	Seattle, WA	Junior Architectural Designer
The THINK Shop Architects	Detroit, MI	Project Architect
TLCD Architecture	Santa Rosa, CA	Designer
TowerPinkster	Grand Rapids, MI	Architectural Technician
Trivers Associates	St. Louis, MO	Project Designer
U.S. Army	Columbia, SC	Architect - Army Fellow Program
UAD	Hangzhou, China	Architectural Designer
Universal Green Group	Plano, TX	Construction Intern
Utile	Boston, MA	Architectural Designer
Walbridge	Detroit, MI	Project Coordinator
Wang Architects	Georgetown, TX	Architectural Designer
Wold Architects and Engineers	Nashville, TN	Architectural Intern
WRA Architects	Broken Arrow, OK	Architectural Staff
WTA Architects	Saginaw, MI	Intern Architect

15/15

Top architecture firms have Taubman College graduates in leadership positions.

Gensler
Perkins&Will
HKS
HDR
AECOM
Stantec
Jacobs
Corgan
Populous
HOK
CannonDesign
Aracadis North America
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Perkins Eastman
PBK

“What I valued most from my experience at Taubman College was the incredible people. Everyone was so inspiring, talented, and full of incredible knowledge. Being around such intellect, passion, and dedication helped me learn about an industry I previously had no knowledge of.”

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