



College of Architecture and Planning

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO **DENVER**



## **Architecture Department**

**Our Department of Architecture fosters the capacity to ask bold questions, take risks, think independently, and approach the work of architecture with curiosity.**

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## **MEDAL FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE, AIA**

**Mo Zaina**

The AIA Medal for Academic Excellence is awarded to the top graduating students with a Bachelor of Architecture, Master of Architecture, or Doctor of Architecture from schools accredited by NAAB or CACB.

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## **ALPHA RHO CHI MEDAL**

**Sean Gatzen**

Alpha Rho Chi, the National Professional Fraternity for Architecture and the Allied Arts, provides this medal to selected schools of architecture throughout the country to be awarded to the graduating student who has shown an affinity for leadership, performed willing service for the school or department, and shows promise of real professional merit through his or her attitude and personality.

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## **BS ARCH OUTSTANDING GRADUATE AWARD**

**Nicole Diaz**

The Outstanding Bachelor of Science in Architecture Graduate will be recognized at the Spring Commencement Ceremony on Saturday, May 11, 2024. Our Outstanding Graduates received top marks in their academic performance and impactfully contributed to the life of the college.

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## **M.ARCH OUTSTANDING GRADUATE AWARD**

**Willa Hendler**

The Outstanding Master of Architecture Graduate will be recognized at the Spring Commencement Ceremony on Saturday, May 11, 2024. Our Outstanding Graduates received top marks in their academic performance and impactfully contributed to the life of the college.



## **Landscape Architecture Department**

**Our Landscape Architecture Department balances theory and practice, emphasizing design to support human well-being and environmental balance. Students engage with issues of social justice, sustainability, and environmental racism and explore responses to these constructs through research and design.**

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## **ASLA HONOR AND MERIT AWARD**

**Emily Beeson – Honor**

**Michelle Lazarz – Merit**

**Ella Reid – Nominee**

**Mike Mei – Nominee**

These awards are given to truly outstanding students who are nominated by the faculty and have consistently demonstrated the highest level of academic scholarship, responsiveness and willingness to work with others, self-motivation and responsibility, and strong design abilities evident in their exploration, discovery, synthesis, and representation of landscape architecture design.

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## **LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE FOUNDATION OLMSTED SCHOLAR**

**Emily Beeson**

The Olmstead Scholars Program is the premier national award and recognition program for landscape architecture students. The program honors students with exceptional leadership potential who are using ideas, influence, communication, service, and leadership to advance sustainable design and foster human and societal benefits.

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## **SIGMA LAMDA ALPHA HONOR SOCIETY AWARD**

**Dan Schumacher**

This scholastic honor society recognizes academic achievement of students studying landscape architecture.

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## **LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE OUTSTANDING GRADUATE AWARD**

**Emily Beeson**

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## **Urban and Regional Planning Department**

**Our Master of Urban and Regional Planning program is one of the top planning programs in the U.S. Our program uses Colorado as a classroom to engage in real-world, experiential learning opportunities and to interact with planning and design practitioners and the community.**

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**EXCEPTIONAL  
SERVICE AWARD**

**Lisa Williams**

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**EXCEPTIONAL  
RESEARCH AWARD**

**Ebru Altintas Solakoglu**

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**MURP SPIRIT  
AWARD**

**Rachel Barham**

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**MURP TEACHING  
ASSISTANT AWARD**

**Mason Aeschbacher**

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**URBAN AND  
REGIONAL  
PLANNING  
OUTSTANDING  
GRADUATE AWARD**

**Lucy O'Sullivan**

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## **Urban Design Program**

**Our Master of Urban Design program uses Colorado's diverse urban landscapes as a laboratory for real-world learning, preparing students to become exceptional urban design thinkers, practitioners, and leaders.**



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**STUDIO  
EXCELLENCE  
AWARD**

**Anna Henderson**

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**URBAN DESIGN  
OUTSTANDING  
GRADUATE AWARD**

**Erin Daly**

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# **Honor Society Recognition**

Tau Sigma Delta is the only nationally recognized honor society in architecture, landscape architecture, and the allied arts. Membership is granted to the top 20% of each graduating class.

## **TAU SIGMA DELTA HONOR SOCIETY**

**Robin Adams**

**Toni Alexander**

**Jessica Rose Allen**

**Emily Beeson**

**Alanah Mae Braaksma**

**Nicole Alexandra Diaz**

**Caden J Bishop Daugaard**

**Logan Ebert**

**Lara Ruyi Eck**

**Nickolas Finn Geller**

**Michelle Marie Lazarz**

**Aurora Esmeralda Lopez Alvarez**

**Lucy O'Sullivan**

**Camille Pahl**

**Vanessa Rodriguez Gomez**

**Brandon Wunder**

**Mo Zaina**



## Architecture Studio Awards

These awards represent the top projects presented in each studio section in the Department of Architecture at the end of the spring semester.

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**UNDERGRADUATE  
ARCHITECTURE  
STUDIO I**

**Clayton Matthews**

**Myles Rule**

**Santiago Aguilera Cepeda**

**Tyler Cyre**

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**UNDERGRADUATE  
ARCHITECTURE  
STUDIO II**

**Lorelai Brunner**

**Sydney Spomer**

**Daniela Mendiola**

**Daniela Mejia**

**Alec Bendykowski**

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**UNDERGRADUATE  
ARCHITECTURE  
STUDIO III**

**Ben Kirschner and Maya Weaver (co-nomination)**

**Jay Tully**

**Malizak Ngunny**

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**UNDERGRADUATE  
ARCHITECTURE  
STUDIO IV**

**Avrie Tomsik and Jose Gomez (group)**

**Vanessa Rodriguez Gomez and Sawyer Janney (group)**

**Gabriel Herrada and Andrea Malta Zuniga (group)**

**Nazeeya Bathhef and Yaire Reyes (group)**

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**UNDERGRADUATE  
ARCHITECTURE  
STUDIO V**

**Juan Garza and Nina Fritch (co-nominated)**

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**UNDERGRADUATE  
ARCHITECTURE  
STUDIO VI**

**Entire Section (group) “Innovative Model Construction”**

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**GRADUATE  
ARCHITECTURE  
STUDIO II**

**Pooja Sankar and Meghan Sloan (group)**

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**GRADUATE  
ARCHITECTURE  
STUDIO IV**

**Maggie Krantz**

**Theresa Khoury**

**Mariana Gonzales and Abhinav Sahariah (co-nomination)**

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**GRADUATE  
ARCHITECTURE  
STUDIO VI**

**Christopher Beckley, Marshall Reilly, and  
Neal Van Tamelen (group)**

**Willa Hendler and Meghan Kress (group)**

**Cristian Gomez and Mo Zaina (group)**



## **Faculty and Staff Awards**

**The College of Architecture and Planning is dependant on the faculty and staff who are committed to ensuring our students receive a high quality education and experience during their time at CU Denver. Thank you to all of our hardworking faculty and staff.**

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**EXCELLENCE IN  
RESEARCH AND  
CREATIVE WORK**

**Assia Crawford**

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**FACULTY INCLUSIVE  
EXCELLENCE AWARD**

**José Ibarra**

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**EXCELLENCE IN  
LEADERSHIP AND  
SERVICE**

**Matt Shea**

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**EARLY CAREER AWARD  
FOR EXCELLENCE IN  
CREATIVE WORK**

**Leyuan Li**

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**EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING**

**Sarah Hearne**

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**EARLY CAREER AWARD FOR  
EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH**

**Sarah Hearne**

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**EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING BY  
A LECTURER**

**Brian Dale**

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**STAFF EXCELLENCE  
AWARD**

**Kyle Danforth**

**Laurraine “Rai” Pollard**



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## **CAP STAFF PROMOTIONS**

**Connor Rumsey**, Senior Finance and HR Professional

**Roxy New**, Senior Academic Advisor, Course Coordinator

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## **RECOGNITION OF YEARS OF SERVICE WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO**

**Michelle Haynes**, 15 years

**Jesse Kuroiwa**, 15 years

**Stephanie Santorico**, 15 years

**Christopher Endreson**, 10 years

**Stephanie Kelly**, 10 years

**Jeffrey Wood**, 10 years

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## **CAP RETIREMENTS**

**Osman Attmann**

**Denise Weber**



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