



CANDIDATE for SECOND VICE PRESIDENT (4-year term)

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Candidate Statement

My dear colleagues, I am honored to be nominated to serve the ACSA membership, and by extension our profession, through service on the board. My primary motivation for doing so comes from representing ACSA on the NAAB ARForum Steering Committee during the past year and a half. I am inspired by the breadth and depth of inclusion and collaboration in the process, big picture and future-oriented thinking, and building upon the histories and traditions of the discipline.

We also questioned the assumptions imbedded in and arising from those traditions. **Shared Values of the Profession** emerged from our discussions, which have been vetted, refined and endorsed by the collaterals. The profession, discipline and ACSA are becoming and should be more relevant to these values and for the diverse publics that we ultimately touch.

I hope and plan to advance these shared values through the policies and actions of the ACSA and, if elected, through collaborative leadership of the board and staff, and the upcoming Strategic Plan update. I see three values as primary areas of action for ACSA in supporting the first—**Architects design to create a better, safer, more equitable, resilient and sustainable built environments**—as we work to advance:

- Knowledge and Innovation
- Equity Diversity and Inclusion
- Leadership, Collaboration, and Community Engagement

CHALLENGE is OPPORTUNITY Climate change and chronic disease are now well understood as conditions to which the built environment makes significant contributions. The growing crises are a call to action by our profession, and architectural education must provide a foundation of skills and knowledge to address them. As ACSA moves from representation to advocacy, we have the opportunity to gather, create and share promising practices that reposition architecture and architects as agents for progressive social, cultural and environmental change.

EQUITY, DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION I will work to continue and advance the research and deliberations at ACSA and its partners to truly expand the opportunities and access to the profession—for students, clients, users and communities—for a more inclusive and relevant profession and discipline:

Using virtual and other platforms and venues to increase access to programs and resources.
Opening more activities and resources to schools that offer non-accredited 2-year and 4-year programs.
Discussing and sharing more issues and promising practices in architectural education, including administration, admissions, mentoring, and curricula.

COLLABORATION is the key to advancing knowledge, access, inclusion, and meaningful, impactful innovation.

- Expand the clan of collaterals to include NOMA, NOMAS, CCCAP, and other organizations dedicated to quality built environments.
- Work with collaterals to review our collective history, imagine and work toward opportunities, which could include commissioning a new and comprehensive study of the profession and architectural education.

EXPERIENCES I'm not a great architectural scholar, but I've been committed to service and design in the public interest for over 25 years, building upon over 15 years in private practice. I've had some success and learned a lot from failure. I have the confidence to speak up, and have seen enough to back it up. I've worked with people from a diversity of experience and perspectives. I've learned a lot about inclusion in theory and in practice, and I believe this helps me be more effective member of a team, along with my experiences on behalf of ACSA, including:

- Over 1-½ years representing ACSA on the NAAB ARForum Steering Committee and writing team, with colleagues from all five collaterals to develop the 2020 conditions and procedures.
- Two turns of service on the ACSA Education Committee and on the Affordable Housing Committee.
- Service on a dozen NAAB Visiting Teams

OUTCOMES are IMPACTS We measure what we value & the value of our work. Among other studies, ACSA should instigate and support research to study the roll out of new NAAB standards for effectiveness against the goals established to create them.

LOOKING FORWARD The title of VP or President does not matter to me as much as the work and satisfaction ahead in building partnerships, working with colleagues that I greatly respect, challenging stereotypes, breaking molds, and creating the stronger and better world we imagine through a better and stronger ACSA—Supporting the amazing work, institutional knowledge, and intellectual capital of the ACSA staff (& membership).





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Abbreviated Curriculum Vitae

EDUCATION

M Arch in Urban Design (MAUD), Harvard University Graduate School of Design, 2001
Bachelor of Architecture (BARCH), Arizona State University, 1981

TEACHING & ADMINISTRATION

University of New Mexico School of Architecture and Planning, Professor of Architecture 2011-present—Associate Dean for Public Outreach and Engagement 2012-16, Director of the Design and Planning Assistance Center 2019-present.

University of Cincinnati School of Architecture and Interior Design, Associate Professor 2004-10, Director 2004-09

University of Kentucky College of Architecture, 1996-2004—Director of the Downtown Design Center 1996-98, Assistant Professor 1998-2004.

Adjunct Teaching at **Woodbury University** and **University of Southern California**, 1993-96

Diversity Coordinator, **UCLA GSAUP**, 1990-92

PRACTICE

Principal of **re: Architecture**, 1990-98

Siegal Sklarek Diamond Architects, Los Angeles, 1986-89

SCHOLARSHIP

Central Corridor Neighborhood Study, funded by City of Albuquerque and the McCune Foundation (2016-18)

Stories of Route 66: The International District, funded by NEA Our Town and the McCune Foundation (2013-15)

Bailey, K., Grossardt, T. and Pride-Wells, M. "Community Design of a Light Rail Transit-Oriented District using CAVE (Casewise Visual Evaluation)." Socio Economic Planning Sciences 41(3): 235-254 (2007)

"Self-Help, Politics and Social Policy: the Shape of Housing in Revolutionary Cuba", presented at the ACSA International Meeting in Havana (2002)

HONORS AND AWARDS

Design Intelligence: named one of 25 "Most Admired Design Educators" in the US (2010)

ACSA Collaborative Practice Award, with David Biagi, Bruce Swetnam, Marilys Nepomechie and Marta Canavez, for an Affordable housing initiative in Eastern Kentucky (2004)

City Beautification Award for Somerville I & II Affordable Housing and Mixed-Use Development, Los Angeles (1997)

Design Excellence Award—DWP GOB Child Care Facility – LA Cultural Affairs Commission (1992)

Community Service Awards from Los Angeles Chapters of AIA, NOMA, and APA (1993-94)

SERVICE

NAAB ARForum, 2018-20—representing ACSA on Steering Committee and on the final writing team

CNU (Congress for the New Urbanism), 2016-19—Board member, Chair for 2018-19, Charter Awards Jury Member 2015

ACSA Education Committee, 2016-17

AIA (American Institute of Architects): AIA Albuquerque Board member 2016-18, AIA Los Angeles Board Member 1994-96

NAAB Accreditation Visiting Team Member, 2005-present—Team Chair for 6 visits, including reaccreditation, substantial equivalency, candidacy, and focused evaluation

ACSA Affordable Housing Task Force, 2001-08—co-chair, 2006-08

City of Cincinnati Planning Commission, member 2008-11

Harvard University GSD Alumni Council, 2005-10—chair, 2007-10

COMPETITION JURIES

1994-present: US Embassy in London, Oklahoma City Memorial, NEA Design Grants, NCARB Prize, AIA Design Awards, and more.