

Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture Strategic Plan, 2022–2025

MISSION

To lead architectural education and research.

HOW WE LEAD

By demonstrating the VALUE of architectural education and research to practice and society. By advancing architectural PEDAGOGY. By serving as the VOICE of architectural education.

VISION

ACSA seeks to empower faculty and schools to educate increasingly diverse students, expand disciplinary impacts, and create knowledge for the advancement of architecture.

CORE VALUES

Equity, Social Justice, and Climate Action Teaching and Learning Research, Scholarship, and Creative Practice

Goals Objectives			
1 Equity, Social Justice, & Climate Action			
	ACSA will advance an equitable, sustainable, and resilient discipline and profession.	1.1	Improve equity in architectural education, particularly around race, age, religion, gender identity, sexual orientation, citizenship status, socioeconomic status, and ability status.
		1.2	Promote the diverse perspectives and abilities of historically disenfranchised and/or underrepresented stakeholders.
		1.3	Promote educational practices to help mitigate climate change.
		1.4	Expand student interest in and access to the discipline by creating pathways to and from schools of architecture.
		1.5	Develop programs to support early career and non-traditional faculty and offer opportunities for continued growth and career advancement for all faculty.
		1.6	Increase critical awareness of the intersection of equity, social justice, and climate action.
2	Research, Scholarship, and Creative Practice		
	ACSA will support, interpret, and disseminate scholarship in architecture and architectural education, including research and creative practice, and will convey that knowledge effectively to faculty, schools, students, the profession, and the public.	2.1	Elevate and communicate understanding of the processes of systematic inquiry.
		2.2	Promote the value of interdisciplinary research.
		2.3	Increase partnered projects between practice and the academy.
		2.4	Demonstrate the impact of architectural research and creative practice to broader audiences.
		2.5	Enhance and expand opportunities for dissemination of faculty research, scholarship, and creative practice.
3	Partnerships		
	ACSA will nurture partnerships with and provide sustained outreach to national and international organizations in architecture to advance shared agendas.	3.1	Use ACSA forums to empower schools to advance ACSA values through engagement with partnering organizations.
		3.2	Represent the voice of the academy and discipline within accreditation and educational assessment.
4	Engagement and Support		
	ACSA will grow its relevance to faculty and schools around the world by investing resources that create equitable opportunities for disciplinary innovation, pedagogies, and career advancement.	4.1	Increase the range of opportunities and reduce impediments for faculty and students to engage with ACSA.
		4.2	Increase engagement of and partnerships with community colleges and non- and pre-professional architecture programs.
5	Organizational Effectiveness and Sustainability		
	ACSA will maintain the organizational structure, governance, practices, and funding to ensure its sustainability and growth and achieve its mission.	5.1	Monitor, evaluate, and report the alignment of resources (staff, volunteer, and financial) with strategic vision.
		5.2	Utilize board and volunteer time in an effective and efficient manner.