# curriculum vitae elizabeth m. keslacy

Assistant Professor of Architecture
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# education

2016 Ph.D., History and Theory of Architecture

Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

"The Architecture of Design: the Cooper Hewitt, Smithsonian Design Museum (1896-1976)"

- 2005 M.Arch, Southern California Institute of Architecture, Los Angeles, CA
- 2000 B.S. in Architecture, TCAUP, The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

## academic appointments

- 2023-pres Assistant Professor of Architecture, Washington-Alexandria Architecture Center, Virginia Tech
- 2018-2023 Assistant Professor of Architecture, Miami University, Oxford, OH
- 2016-2018 Lecturer, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
- 2016-2018 Adjunct Professor of Architecture, Kendall College of Art and Design, Grand Rapids, MI
- 2005-2016 Adjunct Professor of Architecture, Lawrence Technological University, Southfield, MI

#### research interests

Post-war and Postmodern architecture and urban landscape, urban social movements, architecture and museology, history and theory of design discourse, history of design education, history of architectural theory and post-1968/contemporary theory, architecture and aesthetics.

#### publications

## **Articles in Academic Journals**

- 2023 "Architecture's Maternity: Conceiving the mother of the arts in the long 19th century," *Architecture Theory Review* 26:2, 345-371.
- "Critical Proximity: Refiguring Research Cultures in the Design Curriculum," *ENQ: Journal of the ARCC* 19:2 Special issue "Inclusive Design Pedagogies and Practices," edited by Stephanie Pilat, Angela Person, and Carmina Sanchez. Co-written with Jeffrey Kruth.
- "The Right to the City: Cincinnati's Concourse Fountain," OASE 108, 73-80.
- 2018 "Archbazar and the Ethics of Crowdsourcing Architecture," Thresholds 46: "Scatter!", 300-17.
- "The Legibility of Environment: Cooper Hewitt, Smithsonian Design Museum (1968-1976)"
   Journal of Architectural Education 71:2, 154-170.
   \*Winner, ACSA Best Paper Award, Scholarship of Design, 2018
- "Fun and Games: The Suppression of Architectural Authoriality and the Rise of the Reader" Footprint no. 17, 101-123.

#### **Book Chapters**

- in progress "American Schools of Design" in Sandra König and Anne-Sophie Laug, eds., *Pioneers of Design Education: International Perspectives on Schools of Decorative Arts*, Leiden: Brill.
- forthcoming "Teaching Collections and School-Based Museums" in Sandra König and Anne-Sophie Laug, eds., *Pioneers of Design Education: International Perspectives on Schools of Decorative Arts*, Leiden: Brill.
  - 2018 "The Alibi of Style: Reading Classicism in *Architectural Design* Magazine, 1980-1982" in Véronique Patteeuw and Léa-Catherine Szacka, eds., *Exhibitions, Periodicals, and the Shaping of Postmodern Architecture: The Medium is the Message?* London: Bloomsbury. 175-196.

#### **Conference Proceedings**

- "Re-reading the Pedestrian Mall: Race and Urban Landscape in the Memphis Mid-America Mall" in the *Proceedings of the 110th ACSA Annual Meeting, "Empower," Los Angeles, CA.*\*Winner of the Annual Meeting Best Paper Award
  - "Unpacking the Archive: Community Engagement and the Research Studio" with Jeffrey Kruth, in the *Proceedings of the 110th ACSA Annual Meeting, "Empower," Los Angeles, CA*.
- 2019 "Productive Anachronism: Paper Quilling and the Craft of Architectural Representation," in Practice of teaching: the teacher's hunch, Proceedings of the 2019 ACSA/EAAE Teacher's Conference, Antwerp, Belgium, edited by Johan de Walsche and Richard Blythe, 206-212.
- 2017 "Avant-Quotation: Imitation, Conventionalization and Postmodern Practices of Reference," in *Proceedings of the Society of Architectural Historians, Australia and New Zealand: 34, Quotation,* edited by John Ting, 289-298.
- "Alles ist Design?: Hans Hollein, the Cooper-Hewitt and MANtransFORMS (1976)," *Between the Autonomous and Contingent Object,* Proceedings of the 2015 Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture Fall Conference, 239-245.
- 2014 "A Question of Category: Translations Between the Decorative Arts, Architecture, and Design at the Birth of the Cooper-Hewitt (1968-1976)," in *Proceedings of the Society of Architectural Historians, Australia and New Zealand:31, Translation,* edited by Christoph Schnoor, 485-494.

#### Criticism, Design Research, Reviews, and Interviews

- Review of Renegades: Bruce Goff and the American School of Architecture, curated by Luca Guido, exhibition design by Michael Hoffner, Fred Jones Jr. Museum of Art, University of Oklahoma, January 24, 2020 April 5, 2020, *JAE Online*, November 20, 2020
- 2015 "Gray: The Whitney is Hard to See," Offramp no. 10: "Useless." http://sciarc-offramp.info/useless
  - "Reading Architecture," Tourette Journal no. 00, 124-127.
- 2005 "Introduction," EVIDENTS (Los Angeles: SCI\_Arc) 4-5.
  - "More is Meaning," EVIDENTS (Los Angeles: SCI\_Arc) 28-33.
- 2004 "Bizarre Bazaars and Animate Alleys: Shopping in Downtown LA," with Jee-Hee Haar Farris, Lotus International no. 118, 68-77.
- "City Limits: An Interview with Carlos Jimenez," with Robert DeCosmo, *Dimensions* no. 15: "Limits," 20–27.

2000	"Interview with David Miller," Dimensions no. 14: "Discipline," 20-25.
2007	As Editor Critical Mass (Detroit: FLAK) [exhibition catalog]
2005	EVIDENTS (Los Angeles: SCI_Arc) [editor, student publication]
2001	Biddison Architecture + Design: Selected Works 1999-2001 [firm monograph]
2000	Dimensions 14: Discipline Taubman College journal [student co-editor]
2019	fellowships Society of Architectural Historians Study Day Fellowship, A New MoMA!, November 1, NYC
2015-16	Willard A. Oberdick Doctoral Fellow, TCAUP, University of Michigan
	Dissertation Fellow, Winterthur Museum, Garden and Library
	Writing Fellow, University of Michigan Sweetland Dissertation Writing Institute
2014	A. Bartlett Giamatti Graduate Student Fellow, Institute for the Humanities, University of Michigan
2009-13	Teaching and Research Assistantships, Taubman College, University of Michigan
2022	awards + grants Best Paper Award, 110th ACSA Annual Conference for "Re-reading the Pedestrian Mall: Race and Urban Landscape in the Memphis Mid-America Mall"
2021	Graham Foundation for Advanced Studies in the Fine Arts, Research and Development Grant for "Concrete Leisure: Design and Public Space in the Wake of Urban Renewal"
	Miami University Senate Committee on Faculty Research, Summer Research Appointment (\$6,200) and Grants to Promote Research (\$3000) for "Concrete Leisure: The Design of Public Space in the Wake of Urban Renewal"
	Miami University Humanities Center Research Apprenticeship Award (\$1425)
2020	Miami University Humanities Center Research Apprenticeship Award (\$1425)
	Center for Teaching Excellence Major Teaching Grant (\$3500), Miami University for "Crosstraining: Intensive Design Workshops," as co-PI in collaboration with Jeffrey Kruth
2019	Humanities Teaching Lab Grant (\$10,000), Humanities Center, Miami University for "Unpacking the Archive," as Co-PI in collaboration with Jeffrey Kruth (co-PI), N.Frazier and J. Blake
	Scholarship and Teaching Grant (\$3000), College of Creative Arts, Miami University for "Crosstraining" in collaboration with Jeffrey Kruth
2018	ACSA Journal of Architectural Education Best Paper of 2018 Award, Scholarship of Design Scholarship and Teaching Grant, College of Creative Arts, Miami University for "The Architecture of Design: Cooper hewitt, Smithsonian Design Museum at the Close of the Twentieth Century"
2017	Distinguished Dissertation Award, Taubman College, University of Michigan

ARCC/King Student Medal for Excellence in Architectural + Environmental Design Research Conference Travel Grant, Taubman College, University of Michigan Publication Subvention Grant, Taubman College, University of Michigan 2016 Honorable Mention, Best Paper Award, SAHANZ 31st Annual Conference: Translations Rackham International Conference Travel Grant 2014 Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant Rackham Conference Travel Grant 2012 **Doctoral Student Award** Rackham International Conference Travel Grant 2011 Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant 2010 German Academic Exchange Service [DAAD] Intensive Language Course Grant 2005 AIA/AAF Henry Adams Medal (top-ranked student) Thesis Prize, Finalist SCI Arc Service Award 2004 Network of Women in Hospitality, LA Chapter, Scholarship SCI Arc Tuition Scholarship 2003 SCI\_Arc Lecture Series Poster Competition Winner Network of Women in Hospitality, LA Chapter, Scholarship teaching experience Assistant Professor (2023-pres) Washington-Alexandria Architecture Center, School of Architecture, Virginia Tech Upper-Level Design Studio (F2023) Doctoral Seminar: "Collecting the Uncollectable: Architecture in the Museum" (F2023)

# Assistant Professor (2018-2023)

Department of Architecture + Interior Design, Miami University Architectural Design Studio I (F2018, F2019, F2020, F2022) Upper-Level Design Studio (S2019 - Studio Productive Anachronism)

(Sm2021 Collective Memory and the City)

History of Architecture I (F2019, F2020, F2022) History of Architecture II (S2019, S2020, S2021, S2023) Thesis Preparatory Seminar (S2021, S2022, S2023)

#### Lecturer (2016-2018)

Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, University of Michigan History of Architecture I (F2017)

Design Fundamentals I + II: undergraduate design theory (W2017, F2017, W2018)

Institutions Studio: graduate-level studio (F2016)

### Adjunct Professor of Architecture (2016-2018)

Kendall College of Art and Design, Ferris State University, Grand Rapids, MI

Critique of Architecture: graduate architectural theory (F2016, F2017)

Thesis Preparatory Seminar (F2017)

Thesis Studio (W2018)

#### Adjunct Professor of Architecture (2005-2016)

College of Architecture and Design, Lawrence Technological University, Southfield, MI

Current Issues in Architecture (2007-2016)

Research Methods (S2013, S2014)

Great Books in Architecture from Vitruvius to Venturi (S2008, S2009)

Portfolio Design (F2007, F2008)

Master Class: Master's level design studio team-taught with visiting critics.

(2007 with Williamson+Williamson, 2008 with Work AC)

Integrated Design Studios 1, 3 and 4. (2005-2008)

Basic Design 2 (S2008)

#### Graduate Student Instructor (2010-2012)

Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, University of Michigan

History of Architecture I, Lydia Soo (F2010, F2012)

Architectural Theory and Criticism, Amy Catania Kulper (W2010, W2011, W2012)

#### Teaching Assistant (2003-2004)

Southern California Institute of Architecture, Los Angeles, CA

History of Theory, Kazys Varnelis

Architecture + Culture II, Dora Epstein

Introduction to Critical Studies, Kazys Varnelis

#### workshops

#### 2022 "Community-Based Research in Design and the Humanities"

Workshop given at The Original Lilly Conference on College Teaching, Miami University, Oxford, OH, 17-19 November 2022. Co-facilitated with Jeffrey Kruth.

#### 2020-pres Crosstraining, co-organized with Jeffrey Kruth

Organizing an ongoing twice-yearly workshop series in which an invited emerging architect, practice, or scholar, to present a lecture and weekend skills-building workshop.

Sp22 "Animate Architecture," with Could Be Architecture: Joseph Altshuler and Zack Morrison

F21 "3 (Other) Billboards + A Stage," with Perry Kulper

Sp21 "Drawing Afield," with Outpost Office: Ashley Bigham and Erik Herrmann

F20 Workshop with Danielle Willkins canceled due to COVID-19

Sp20 "It Takes a Village" with James Michael Tate

#### 2015 The New Creativity Workshop, with Sylvia Lavin

Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, University of Michigan Co-instructor for charette-format workshop using Herman Miller Action Office design tools to reimagine contemporary workspace. February 6-10.

#### 2011-14 *Proof Positive,* Doctoral Studies in Architecture, University of Michigan

Organized a workshop series on methodology. (3-4 workshops/semester for 3 years)

#### lectures + conferences

#### **Invited Lectures**

- 2021 "Reframing the User: Contesting the Metropole Hotel," co-authored with Jeffrey Kruth Actors at the Margins, online seminar series of EAHN Building Word Image group, December 1
- 2017 "The Design of Environment: Rethinking Architecture at the Cooper Hewitt (1968-1976)" Fellowspeak series, University of Michigan Institute for the Humanities, November 28, Ann Arbor, MI
  - "Three Kinds of Design: Architecture, the Decorative Arts, and Design at the Cooper-Hewitt" Doctoral Colloquium, March 8, TCAUP, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
- 2016 "An Antiquarian Turn? The Cooper Union Museum at Midcentury"
  Pecha Kucha, November 11, Winterthur Museum, Garden, and Library, Winterthur, DE
- 2015 "Alles ist Design? Hans Hollein, the Cooper-Hewitt, and MANtransFORMS" Pecha Kucha, August 27, Winterthur Museum, Garden, and Library, Winterthur, DE

#### **Conference Paper Presentations**

- "The Racial Politics of Mass Transit: Mayor Coleman A. Young and the Detroit People Mover" SESAH 2023 Annual Conference, September 27-30, Little Rock, AK
  - "Black Agency in the City: Post-urban renewal landscapes in the American Rust Belt" Society of Architectural Historians 2023 Annual Conference, April 12-16, Montreal, Canada
- 2022 "Imaginaries of Urban Renewal: Visions for the Detroit Civic Center," SESAH 2022 Annual Conference, November 2-5, Memphis, TN
  - "The Politics of Recreation: Mayor Coleman A. Young, Hart Plaza, and Race in Detroit" SECAC 2022 Annual Conference, October 26-29, Baltimore, MD
  - "White Space in the Chocolate City: The Racial Politics Detroit's Hart Plaza" SACRPH 2022 Annual Conference, October 20-22, Harlem, NY
  - "The Architect's Masculinity: Professionalization and the Spectre of the Female Architect in Victorian England," Masculinities in Design: Objects, Identities and Practices, University of Applied Arts Vienna, 24-25 May (virtual).
  - "Teaching Collections in Design Education: The Cooper Union (NYC) and its Museum of Decorative Arts (1896-1968)," Pioneers of Modern Design Education: International Perspectives on Schools of Decorative Arts before the Bauhaus, Kunstgewerbemuseum Dresden, 19-20 May (virtual).
  - "Re-reading the Pedestrian Mall: Race and Urban Landscape in the Memphis Mid-America Mall" 110th ACSA Annual Meeting: Empower, March 17-19, Los Angeles
  - "Unpacking the Archive: Community Engagement and the Research Studio"

    Jeffrey Kruth, co-author, 110th ACSA Annual Meeting: Empower, March 17-19, Los Angeles
- 2021 "Re-creating Nature: Concrete Leisure in the American Rustbelt" SESAH 2021 Annual Conference, September 29-Oct 2, Natchez, MS
  - "Access and Image: Contesting Expertise at the Metropole Hotel" with Jeffrey Kruth European Architecture History Network 2021 Annual Conference, June 2-5, Edinburgh / Online
- 2020 "Concrete Leisure: Design for Recreation on the American Rivefront" SESAH 2020 Annual Conference October 2, Virtual

2019 "Architecture's Maternity: Unpacking 'Mother-of-the-arts' rhetoric" Southeastern chapter of the Society of Architectural Historians 2019 Annual Conference October 10-12, Greenville, SC "Productive Anachronism: Paper Quilling and the Art of Architectural Representation" ACSA/EAAE Teacher's Conference: Practice of Teaching/Teaching of Practice: the Teacher's Hunch June 28-29, 2019, Antwerp, Belgium 2018 "A Double Displacement: Decorative Arts and Design at the Cooper Hewitt" Design History Society 2018 Annual Conference: "Design and Displacement," September 6-8, NY, NY "The Context of Design: Architecture and the Cooper Hewitt's National Design Awards" Society of Architectural Historians 2018 Annual Conference, April 18-22, St. Paul, MN 2017 "Avant-Quotation: Imitation, Conventionalization and Postmodern Practices of Reference" Quotation, the 34th Annual Conference of the Society of Architectural Historians Australia/New Zealand, July 5-8, University of Canberra, Canberra, AU 2016 "Architecture as Design: Hans Hollein and MANtransFORMS (1976)" Society of Architectural Historians 2016 Annual Conference, April 6-10, Pasadena, CA 2015 "Alles ist Design?: Hans Hollein, the Cooper-Hewitt and MANtransFORMS (1976)" Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture Fall 2015 Conference, October 8-10, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY 2014 "Fun and Games: the Suppression of the Author and the Rise of the Reader" Creating\_Making 2014, November 5-7, University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK "A Question of Category: Translations between the Decorative Arts, Architecture, and Design at the birth of the Cooper-Hewitt (1963-1976)" Translations, Society of Architectural Historians Australia/New Zealand 2014 Annual Conference July 2-5, UNITEC, Auckland, NZ "Reading Style: Postmodern recursions to Classicism in AD Magazine" Society of Architectural Historians 2014 Annual Conference, April 9-13, Austin, TX 2013 "The Second Linquistic Turn: Postmodern Models of Interdisciplinarity" Architectural Elective Affinities: Correspondences, Transfers, Inter/Multidisciplinarity, European Architecture History Network Thematic Conference, March 20-23, Universidade Sao Paolo, Brazil 2012 "A Tempest in Four Teapots: an Allegory of Architecture's Aesthetics of Incompleteness" PhilArch 2012: Architecture and its Image, October 19-20, Boston University, Boston, MA 2011 "Lethaby+Muthesius: Style, Function, and Class-Cultural Agendas" Anglo-German Scholarly Relations in the Long Nineteenth Century, August 19-20, Centre for British Studies, Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany 2010 "Between Word and Sense: Ornament and Affect in the Eberswalde Library" Gefühlswelten: Affect, Culture, Community, November 11-12, Germanic Languages and Literatures, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

"Architectural Healing: Trauma and the Berlin Reichstag"

Planning and Architecture Research Group, Casual Colloquium with Zeynep Celik-Alexander,

	April 2, TCAUP, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
2021	Panels Organized + Moderated  Collecting the Uncollectable: Architecture in the Museum  Session Chair, Society of Architectural Historians Annual Meeting, April 14-18, Montreal, Quebec
2020	Women's Work: Architecture, Landscape, Preservation Panel moderator, SESAH 2021 Annual Conference, Sept 30-Oct 2, Natchez, MS
2019	Architectural Theory, Language, and Representation Panel moderator, SESAH 2019 Annual Conference, October 10-12, 2019, Greenville, SC
2017	Design Museums: The New Wave Session Chair, College Art Association Annual Meeting, February 15-18, New York, NY
2016	Rule + Form: Confronting the Spatial Transactions and Logistics of Capital Moderator, "Imaginaries" panel. Planning + Architecture Research Group Triannual Conference, February 5-6, TCAUP, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
2020-2023	Conference + Lecture Series Organization  Department of Architecture and Interior Design Lecture Series, Miami University  Co-organized departmental lecture series with Jeffrey Kruth
2011-13	Emerging Voices Lecture Series, TCAUP, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI Co-organized series of public lectures and doctoral workshops with emerging scholars (3 lectures/year)
2011	The Lean Years: Infrastructure, Dwelling and Sustenance in North America Conference and exhibition co-organizer, Planning + Architecture Research Group Triannual Conference, March 18-19, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
2022	exhibitions  People Moving: Stories and Actions from 50 Years of the People's Movement  Cage Gallery, Miami University, Oxford, OH  Re-installation of CAC exhibition, with the additions of student design work and documentary film
	People Moving: Stories and Actions fom 50 Years of the People's Movement Part of "Artist-Run Spaces" exhibition, Contemporary Art Center, Cincinnati, OH In collaboration with Storefronts and the Over-the-Rhine People's Movement
2015	Herman Miller Action Office, The New Creativity Workshop TCAUP, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI Co-curated pop-up exhibition in conjunction with workshop, February 10.
2008	Freshman Cardboard Chair Competition College of Architecture and Design, Lawrence Technological University, Southfield, MI
2006	Detroit@00:00:55 - Parallax (2005) FLAK Detroit, Cranbrook Museum of Art, Bloomfield Hills, MI Co-curated exhibition of (55) 55-second videos on architecture and urbanism.
2005	Detroit@00:00:55 - This Time It's Personal (2006)

FLAK Detroit, Cranbrook Museum of Art, Bloomfield Hills, MI

2019-pres	Faculty Grant Planning and Support Program, Phase 1 + 2 Office for the Advancement of Research and Scholarship, Miami University
2019	"Rehearse and Extend: Writing in the Architecture History Survey" Presentation, Writing in the Large Lecture Course (faculty seminar), Howe Center for Writing Excellence, Miami University, September 12.
2018	New Faculty Research Community Office for the Advancement of Research and Scholarship, Miami University
	Decolonizing Pegagogies Reading Group University of Michigan
2022	service
2023	Reviewer, ACSA 112 Annual Meeting Reviewer, Museums & Society
2022	Reviewer, 2023 ACSA/EAAE Teacher's Conference
2021-present	University Senate, Miami University Graduate Curriculum Committee, Dept of ARC+ID, Miami University Architecture Lecture Series Digitization Project, Dept of ARC+ID, Miami University
2020-present	Lecture Series, Dept of ARC+ID, Miami University - co-organized with Jeffrey Kruth
2021	Reviewer, ACSA 110: Empower
2019-20	Dean's Advisory Council, College of Creative Arts, Miami University
2019 2018	Reviewer, ACSA 108: Annual Meeting: Open Reviewer, TAD 2:2
2017	Reviewer, Ardeth 2
2015	Reviewer, ACSA 2015 Annual Meeting: Architecture is Philosophy: Beyond the Post-Critical
2014	Reviewer, ACSA 2014 International Conference: Open Cities.
2012	Doctoral Office Planning and Renovation, TCAUP, University of Michigan
2011-12	President, Planning+Architecture Research Group, University of Michigan
2009-10	Architecture Chair Search Committee, TCAUP, University of Michigan
2003-04	Secretary, SCI_Arc Student Union
	professional design experience
2005-07	Designer, McIntosh Poris Associates, Birmingham, MI
2004	Intern Architect, Zimmer Gunsul Frasca, Los Angeles, CA
2002.02	Intern Architect, Rachel Allen Architecture, Los Angeles, CA
2002-03 2000-02	Graphic Designer, SCI_Arc Publications Department, Los Angeles, CA Intern Architect, Biddison Architecture + Design, Farmington Hills, MI
2000-02	intern Architect, Biddison Architecture + Design, Familington Hills, Mi
	invited critic, design reviews
	Kendall College of Art and Design, Grand Rapids, MI
	Kent State University, Kent, OH
	Lawrence Technological University, Southfield, MI
	Rhode Island School of Design, Providence, RI Southern California Institute of Architecture, Los Angeles, CA
	Tulane University, New Orleans, LA
	University of Cincinnati
	University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
	University of Colorado-Boulder

**languages** German and French, reading

# professional affiliations

Society of Architectural Historians
Society of American City and Regional Planning History
Southeastern chapter of the Society of Architectural Historians
European Architecture History Network
Society of Architectural Historians Australia/New Zealand
College Art Association