

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY – URBAN DESIGNER

Urban Strategies has immediate employment opportunities for the position of urban designer in our Toronto office location. The position of urban designer requires a professional accredited degree in architecture, landscape architecture, and/or urban design. Professional qualifications with the OAA or OALA are not necessary but encouraged.

Urban designers are responsible for design and problem solving associated with urban design assignments at a variety of scales in urban and rural environments. Urban Designers will work on a range of tasks with firm partners, associates and other planning and urban design staff. Specific tasks will include:

- Conceptual and detailed design and the production of related graphics materials,
- Production of diagrams or graphic representations conveying key themes or concepts
- Creation of hand and computer generated presentation drawings or computer models
- physical analysis conveying specific opportunities and constraints of a project
- layout, drafting and refinement of urban design plans and concepts at a variety of scales
- report and proposal layout and production.
- Liaise as necessary with suppliers, printing houses, etc.
- Facilitation at community consultation events
- Occasional travel to work assignments outside Toronto.
- Attend and present concepts as required at client/public meetings.

The position requires proficiency in communication techniques including hand drawing skills and a solid knowledge of contemporary CAD and graphic software including Photoshop, InDesign, sketch up, PowerPoint and other drafting, graphic design and layout software. An introduction to and training on software used by the firm will be will be part of the orientation for all new employees.

The position of Urban Designer offers a salary in the range of \$40,000 to \$50,000 depending on previous work experience and successful candidates will undergo a three month probationary period prior to full eligibility to the employee benefit package. Urban designers will work on a number of design and planning assignments generally in project teams comprised of other urban designers, planners, associates, and partners. An ability to work collaboratively as part of a team is essential.

Interested candidates are encouraged to send a cover, CV and portfolio of relevant design work to Associate Mary Castel, [mcastel@urbanstrategies.com]. The position of Urban Designer is available immediately.