Call for Applications: Student Research Assistants

Designing for Public Space

Living Labs at Emily Carr is currently seeking qualified students for positions with the spring 2019 project Designing for Public Space.

Working with an interdisciplinary research team and stakeholders from public sites in Vancouver and Prince George, participants will support the conception and prototyping of proposals for public space. Utilizing principles adapted from architecture, urban design, industrial design and exhibition design practices, the project incorporates topics including context, way-finding, materiality and scale; as well as the collaborative and practical aspects of working in public space.

These positions are ideal for students interested in design for the built environment, public art, and community engagement. Students with active material practices are encouraged to apply.

Role
Research Assistants will be working collaboratively in a small team with faculty-researchers Charlotte Falk and Laura Kozak to:
- Conduct site-specific research to contextualize design requirements and opportunities
- Study precedent models for intervention in public settings
- Develop an iterative set of approaches to designing for public space
- Undertake hands-on, studio-based research, material studies and concept development (2D, 3D, 4D)
- Develop and produce a presentation and report summarizing research findings and proposals

Qualifications
Candidates must possess the following in order to be considered for this position:
- Be enrolled at Emily Carr University of Art + Design (3rd or 4th year undergraduate or graduate student) with a GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Have an interest in design for public space
- Possess skills in one or more of the following areas: physical or digital prototyping, wayfinding and exhibition design, socially engaged practice, illustration, industrial design, communication design
- Have strong research and presentation skills
- Have the ability to work independently with an adaptable and professional approach
- Be available to meet with the project team as needed

Pay
This position will be paid by a stipend in accordance with Student Employment Pay Rates ($17.16 – $21.52/ hour); eligible students may also apply for co-op credit for this project.

Apply
Please send your CV, a link to a portfolio (if available) and a short cover letter detailing your interest in the position to livinglabs@ecuad.ca. Only successful applicants will be contacted for an interview. Interviews will be conducted between December 10 and 12, 2018.

Deadline: 11:59PM on December 5