

CAPLA

The University of Arizona's College of Architecture, Planning and Landscape Architecture (CAPLA) is the nation's leader in sustainable design and planning for arid regions. CAPLA offers an extraordinary professional education inspired by our Sonoran setting and position within one of the world's leading universities in environmental research.

MISSION

To cultivate leading scholars and professionals in the design, planning and development of sustainable environments.

VISION

CAPLA is the internationally recognized center contributing to the cutting edge body of knowledge and skillset addressing complex environmental issues and physical global challenges. Our scholars, students, alumni and associated professionals create insightful solutions that impact place, community, regions and the world, while building social equity and increasing economic vitality.

PASSION FOR PLACE AND PEOPLE

CAPLA curricula is highly integrated across the professions of architecture, landscape architecture, and planning, and delivered within a small, caring, and diverse community strongly connected to practice. Our faculty engage students not only in conceptual design but also the fabrication and construction of tomorrow's buildings and landscapes. We work at all scales, from the parametric design of a single ceramic block to the planning of the 350 mile regional Sun Corridor. We pride ourselves on our sense of community where students have every opportunity to interact closely with our faculty and staff. CAPLA is a special place where one is not lost in a crowd and where one is highly employable upon graduation; 90-100% of CAPLA grads are employed in their field of study post-graduation.

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CAPLA students have the opportunity to:

- **Discover** new knowledge with award-winning faculty
- **Master** a design sensibility honed in the conditions of sensitive climates throughout the world.
- **Engage** with practitioners and policy makers in the creation of design and planning approaches that respond to the unique ecologies of the Sonoran Desert, while developing analysis and creation processes portable to other regions around the world.
- **Invent** and build structures and landscapes that test new theories and next generation materials.
- **Integrate** lessons learned from the oldest continuously inhabited city in the United States, Tucson, with cutting-edge environmental science and technology to envision sustainable communities of the future.
- **Join** one of the most ethnically diverse student communities in the nation, working within 70 miles of the U.S./Mexico international border and five Native American Nations.
- **Create** a communiversity, a laboratory for the development and testing of design and planning strategies for urban sustainability, engagement of a diverse public with decision making tools, formation of a regulatory environment, and public services to enable that vision.



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