

## **Associate or Full Professor, Program Director, and Venerable Chair in Historic Preservation**

**Job no:** 533987

**Work type:** Faculty - Tenure Track

**Location:** Eugene, OR

**Categories:** Architecture/Art/Design, Instruction

**Department:** Department of Architecture

**Rank:** Associate Professor

**Annual Basis:** 9 Month

### **Application Deadline**

January 6, 2025

### **Required Application Materials**

Please submit (upload) only the following: additional items submitted will not be considered in the first review of applications.

1. A letter of application explaining your interest in the position and which position you would like to be considered for (Associate Professor or Full Professor)
2. A comprehensive curriculum vitae
3. A one-page statement of your scholarly approach to historic preservation
4. A one-page statement of your approach to academic leadership and professional collaboration
5. A one-page statement of your teaching philosophy and approach
6. Copies of two of your publications (journal article length) or professional reports in the historic preservation field
7. Names and contact information for three recommenders (no letters please). We will notify candidates before contacting the recommenders.
8. A DEI statement describing your past or planned efforts for advancing diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging relative to curriculum and pedagogy, mentorship, professional experience, and/or service related to this position.

Review of applications will begin January 6, 2025. The position will be open until filled. Semi-finalists will be interviewed by Zoom. Semi-finalists and finalists may be asked to submit additional information, such as additional publications, course syllabi, and evidence of academic program leadership.

The College of Design is dedicated to the UO's goal of building a culturally diverse faculty committed to teaching and working in a multicultural environment. We strongly

encourage applications from individuals whose experience has prepared them to contribute to our commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion, including those from historically marginalized and currently underrepresented communities in higher education.

Direct inquiries to: <mailto:cbsohr@uoregon.edu>

## **Position Announcement**

The University of Oregon (UO) Historic Preservation Program (HP) is inviting applications for a full-time tenured position at the rank of associate or full professor, starting in fall 2025. You will serve as the Program Director and hold the Venerable Chair in Historic Preservation for the duration of your term as Program Director. Based in Eugene, the program has strong connections with faculty and programs across the College of Design.

As the Program Director, you'll oversee the Master of Science in Historic Preservation program, an undergraduate minor in HP, and the Pacific Northwest Field School. This Field School, one of the longest running in the nation, offers students the chance to work alongside professionals in a practical learning environment. It has been supported by the National Park Service and the State Historic Preservation and Parks Offices of Washington, Oregon, and Idaho. For more details about the Historic Preservation Program, visit <http://hp.uoregon.edu>.

In this role, you'll be the HP Director in Eugene under a three-year renewable term. The endowed Venerable Chair will provide important supplemental resources to you and the department.

We're looking for an exceptional academic leader who excels in groundbreaking research and/or innovative professional practice. You'll play a crucial role in shaping the future direction of the UO Historic Preservation Program, with a focus on cutting-edge pedagogy, curriculum development, and close student mentoring.

Responsibilities Include:

- Directing the UO Historic Preservation Program, including oversight of the Pacific Northwest Field School.
- Enhancing the Historic Preservation Program's curriculum, organizing and participating in activities outside of the classroom, and building effective partnerships with campus units, other academic institutions, and the historic preservation community at regional, national, and international levels.
- Maintaining an active research agenda and productivity in scholarship.

- Teaching graduate and undergraduate courses in the field of historic preservation, directing master's theses and projects, and providing academic and career advising to students pursuing a degree in Historic Preservation.
- Participating in committee service for the program, school, and university.

### **Department or Program Summary**

The UO Historic Preservation Program resides within the College of Design's School of Architecture & Environment (SAE), where collaboration and interdisciplinarity are significant strengths. SAE consists of the departments of Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Interior Architecture, and Historic Preservation. The College of Design also includes the School of Planning Public Policy and Management, the School of Art and Design, and the Department of the History of Art and Architecture.

The UO Historic Preservation Program, based in the Department of Architecture and working collaboratively with the interdisciplinary context of the College of Design, stresses building technology, tactile/physical preservation, cultural resource management, building documentation, and sociocultural analysis as part of a rigorous research agenda.

The HP program was established in Eugene in 1980 and moved to Portland in 2017. While this move had advantages, in 2023 the decision was made to move the program back to Eugene and more fully integrate it with other graduate programs. The program is expected to re-open in Eugene in fall 2025 and the new Director of HP will play a critical role in implementing that transition.

### **Minimum Requirements**

- A terminal graduate degree (doctoral degree or master's degree as required by the candidate's academic field) in a discipline or field closely related to historic preservation studies.
- Proven record of publication of research, scholarship, and/or creative/professional work focused on historic preservation. Evidence may include peer-reviewed publications, awards, citations or published reviews of work, and grant funding.
- Evidence of college or university teaching.
- Academic leadership experience in historic preservation or a related field. Evidence of academic leadership skills may include: academic management experience, ability to secure external funds, or experience developing and managing projects funded by external partners.
- Academic or professional experience that would qualify for rank of Associate or Full Professor with tenure.

Related fields may include: Architectural History, American Studies, Cultural Studies, Historic Archaeology, Industrial Archaeology, Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Interior Architecture/Design, Urban and Regional Planning, Cultural Anthropology, Folklore, Public History, and others.

### **Preferred Qualifications**

- Current rank of tenured associate at a similar academic institution.
- Five years full time professional historic preservation experience.
- Significant scholarly interest in historic preservation related issues such as: vernacular architecture, historic building construction, contemporary technology used for analysis, cultural resource management, or another specialization closely related to the field.
- Evidence of outreach and development activities.
- A degree in historic preservation.
- Excellent communication skills.

### **About the University**

The University of Oregon is one of only two Pacific Northwest members of the Association of American Universities and holds the distinction of a “very high research activity” ranking in the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education. The UO enrolls more than 20,000 undergraduate and 3,600 graduate students representing all 50 states and 100 countries. The University of Oregon is guided by a diversity framework that involves a commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion of all students, faculty, staff, alumni, and community members. In recent years, the university has increased the diversity of its student body, as well as campus-wide efforts to build a welcoming, inclusive community for our student body. The UO's 295-acre campus features state-of-the-art facilities in an arboretum-like setting within the traditional homelands of the Kalapuya people. The UO is located in Eugene, in the beautiful Willamette Valley. Eugene is a vibrant city of 168,000 within easy driving distance of the Pacific Coast, the Cascade Mountains, and Portland.

Eugene often appears on lists of the most livable communities in the country. It enjoys the cultural amenities of a larger city - hosting concerts that span the musical spectrum, a world-famous Bach Festival, and many other festivals and celebrations - and the accessible real estate, lack of traffic, and relaxed lifestyle of a small city. Recreational possibilities abound, ranging from hiking or mountain biking picturesque trails to playing nationally ranked golf courses to running the same paths on which Olympic athletes train. (Known as Tracktown USA, Eugene hosts the US Olympic Track & Field trials, as well as numerous other sporting events tied to the Big 10 athletic conference.) Eugene

lies just 60 miles from ski resorts in the mountains to the east and 60 miles from the scenic Oregon coast to the west. In the heart of Oregon wine country, Eugene also enjoys a nationally recognized food scene.

**All offers of employment are contingent upon successful completion of a background check.**

The University of Oregon is proud to offer a robust benefits package to eligible employees, including health insurance, retirement plans, and paid time off. For more information about benefits, visit <https://hr.uoregon.edu/about-benefits>.

The University of Oregon is an equal opportunity, affirmative action institution committed to cultural diversity and compliance with the ADA. The University encourages all qualified individuals to apply and does not discriminate on the basis of any protected status, including veteran and disability status. The University is committed to providing reasonable accommodations to applicants and employees with disabilities. To request an accommodation in connection with the application process, please contact us at <mailto:uocareers@uoregon.edu> or 541-346-5112.

UO prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, pregnancy (including pregnancy-related conditions), age, physical or mental disability, genetic information (including family medical history), ancestry, familial status, citizenship, service in the uniformed services (as defined in federal and state law), veteran status, expunged juvenile record, and/or the use of leave protected by state or federal law in all programs, activities and employment practices as required by Title IX, other applicable laws, and policies. Retaliation is prohibited by UO policy. Questions may be referred to the Office of Investigations and Civil Rights Compliance. Contact information, related policies, and complaint procedures are listed <https://investigations.uoregon.edu/reporting>.

In compliance with federal law, the University of Oregon prepares an annual report on campus security and fire safety programs and services. The Annual Campus Security and Fire Safety Report is available online at <https://clery.uoregon.edu/annual-campus-security-and-fire-safety-report>.

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