



# The Association for Community Design Fellowship

**The Association for Community Design is offering a 9-month fellowship for practitioners who would like to increase their knowledge and skills in community-engaged design.**

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The ACD Fellowship will offer support for six fellows from around the country from July 2019 through March 2020. The ACD Fellowship will provide strategic and holistic support for a small cohort of designers, planners, and other built environment professionals, in order to build their capacity to practice community-engaged design.

## **Fellowship Overview**

*The fellowship will provide the following five types of support for each fellow:*

### **Community engaged design best practices:**

- Fellows will gain an understanding of the context of community engagement
- Fellows will understand our role in communities and with each other
- Fellows will learn strategies and tactics of how to work in and with communities

### **Mentorship:**

- Fellows will be matched with at least one professional mentor, who will provide support and advice tailored specifically to the fellow's needs

### **Access to the ACD Board:**

- Fellows will be provided support identifying resources, sharing ideas and networks
- Fellows will be provided a personal introduction to ACD Board members, along with bios and areas of expertise

### **Building Community:**

- Fellows will be invited to ACD networking sessions at the conference
- Fellows will build community as a cohort via conference and online communication

### **Virtual Program:**

- Fellows will be part of a series of online workshops and webinars, connecting them with invited guest speakers and leaders in the field, as well as various resources and engagement opportunities
- Fellows will join a group of peers and mentors that will check in once a month to provide space for discussion, reflection, and information sharing

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For more information or questions, please contact [sagrawal@communitydesign.org](mailto:sagrawal@communitydesign.org)



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## Participation Requirements & Stipend

To participate as an ACD Fellow, conference attendance is required. ACD 2019 Conference “People+” will be held June 28-29, Greenwood MS, hosted by Delta Design Build Workshop and friends. The ACD Fellowship will cover; ACD membership for one year, conference and pre-conference registration fees, \$600 towards travel and housing for the conference, individual mentoring with a community-engaged practitioner, networking session with a community of practitioners and board members, and tuition for virtual program.

## Qualifications

*We welcome all applicants, but the fellowship will be geared toward those who:*

- Have 3-8 years of work experience in community-engaged design or bring a diversity of experiences related to the built environment
- Have an explicit interest in growing their knowledge and skills in order to advance or shift their practice to be more community-engaged
- Are positioned to implement the skills and insights gained from their fellowship experience in their professional practice
- Bring a diversity of lived experiences and are willing to be authentic, vulnerable and honest with one another

## Eligibility

- All applicants must fill out the application in full
- All applicants must commit to attending the ACD conference if selected
- All applications must commit to fully participating in all aspects of the fellowship

## Deadline

Application deadline is MAY 19, 11:59pm PST

## Application

Please complete your application online by going to the following link:

<http://bit.ly/ACDfellowship>

## Contact

If you have any questions related to the fellowship, this application, or ACD, please contact [sagrawal@communitydesign.org](mailto:sagrawal@communitydesign.org)