NATE IMAI

Assistant Professor | Texas Tech University College of Architecture nate.imai@ttu.edu

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

2019-Present Assistant Professor

Texas Tech University College of Architecture, Lubbock, TX

2018-2019 Tennessee Architecture Fellow

Lecturer & Adjunct Assistant Professor

University of Tennessee College of Architecture + Design, Knoxville, TN

2016-2018 Adjunct Faculty

Woodbury University School of Architecture, Los Angeles, CA

2015 Architecture Instructor

Career Discovery Summer Program

Harvard University Graduate School of Design, Cambridge, MA

2013-2014 Teaching Assistant: Kiel Moe, Max Kuo

Harvard University Graduate School of Design, Cambridge, MA

EDUCATION

2015 Master in Architecture (MArch) I

Harvard University Graduate School of Design

2010 B.A. Architectural Studies

Minors: Asian Languages (Japanese), Asian American Studies

University of California at Los Angeles

TEACHING

2020 Fall	ARCH 2503	Architectural Design Studio III (Coordinator), Texas Tech University
2020 Fall	ARCH 2101	Architectural Representation III (Coordinator), Texas Tech University
2020 Spring	ARCH 1302	Architectural Design Studio II, Texas Tech University
2020 Spring	ARCH 1102	Architectural Representation II (Coordinator), Texas Tech University
2019 Fall	ARCH 2503	Architectural Design Studio III, Texas Tech University
2019 Fall	ARCH 2101	Architectural Representation III (Coordinator), Texas Tech University
2019 Spring	ARCH 425/525	Digital Reciprocity, University of Tennessee
2018 Fall	ARCH 171	Design Fundamentals, University of Tennessee
2018 Fall	ARCH 370/371	Programming for Architectural Design + Programming and Design, University of Tennessee
2018 Spring	ARCH 492	Degree Project Studio: Postdigital Architecture, Woodbury University (with Ewan Branda)
2018 Spring	ARCH 183	IR Architects Sponsored Studio Two (Coordinator), Woodbury University
2017 Fall	ARCH 182	IR Architects Sponsored Studio One (Coordinator), Woodbury University
2017 Spring	ARCH 183	Studio 1B: Natural Tendencies, Woodbury University

2017 Spring	ARCH 211	Design Communication 2, Woodbury University
2016 Fall	ARCH 182	Studio 1A: Principles & Processes, Woodbury University
2016 Fall	ARCH 114	Design Communication 1, Woodbury University
2015 Summer		Career Discovery Summer Program, Harvard GSD
2014 Fall	GSD 1101	First Semester Core (Teaching Assistant), Harvard GSD
2014 Spring	GSD 1102	Second Semester Core (Teaching Assistant), Harvard GSD
2013 Fall	GSD 1101	First Semester Core (Teaching Assistant), Harvard GSD

SERVICE TO THE DISCIPLINE

2019-Present Scholarship Committee, Texas Tech University

Member

2019-Present Convocations Committee, Texas Tech University

Member

2019-Present Digital Design and Fabrication (DDF) Committee, Texas Tech University

Member

2020 109th ACSA Annual Meeting, Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture (ACSA)

Peer Reviewer

2019 The 36th National Conference on the Beginning Design Student (NCBDS), Texas A&M College of Architecture

Peer Reviewer

2017-2018 Student Veterans Association, Woodbury University

Advisor

2017 106th ACSA Annual Meeting, Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture (ACSA)

Peer Reviewer

2017 Third Year Portfolio Review, Woodbury University

Portfolio Reviewer

GUEST CRITIC/JUROR

Texas Tech College of Architecture Fall 2019, Spring 2020

University of Illinois Chicago School of Architecture Spring 2020

University of Tennessee School of Architecture Fall 2018, Spring 2019, Spring 2020

Arizona State University Architecture Program Fall 2018, Spring 2020

Woodbury University School of Architecture

Spring 2016, Fall 2016, Spring 2017, Fall 2017, Spring 2018, Spring 2020

Wentworth Institute of Technology Department of Architecture Summer 2017

University of Southern California School of Architecture Spring 2016

PRESENTATIONS/LECTURES

2019 Fall Nate Imai, "Making Connections"

Texas Tech University, Discipline-Based Education Research (DBER) Seminar

2019 Spring Nate Imai, "How's the Weather? Building Small Talk Between Digital and Physical Environments"

University of Tennessee College of Architecture + Design

PUBLICATION CITATIONS (ABOUT TEACHING + DESIGN WORK)

"THE STUDIO PRIZE." Architect 106, no. 9 (September 2017): 122-123. [Studio 1B: Natural Tendencies at Woodbury University]

"Student Built Work." The Architect's Newspaper, January 23, 2015. https://archpaper.com/2015/01/student-built-work-2/ [Horizon House built project in Hokkaido, Japan]

"Horizon House." In *GSD Platform 7*, edited by Leire Asensio Villoria, 381. New York: Actar D, 2015. [Horizon House exhibit at the Harvard GSD]

"The 3rd LIXIL International University Architectural Competition – Completion Announcement: 'HORIZON HOUSE' by Harvard University." *Architecture and Urbanism: A + U,* no. 522 (March 2014): 2-3. [Horizon House built project in Hokkaido, Japan]

"LIXIL International University Architectural Competition 'RETREAT IN NATURE' – Result Announcement." Architecture and Urbanism: A + U, no. 513 (June 2013): 2-3. [Horizon House built project in Hokkaido, Japan]

"Horizon House." In *GSD Platform 6*, edited by Rosetta Sarah Elkin, 48-49. New York: Actar D, 2013. [Horizon House built project in Hokkaido, Japan]

"CORE III ARCHITECTURE." In *GSD Platform 6*, edited by Rosetta Sarah Elkin, 44-45. New York: Actar D, 2013. [Design studio project at Harvard GSD]

HONORS/AWARDS

2017	Studio Prize Recipient – for Woodbury University 2017 Spring Studio 1B: Natural Tendencies Architect, September 2017
2017	2017-18 WUHO Fellowship Program Recipient Woodbury University School of Architecture
2015	Alpha Rho Chi Medal Recipient Harvard University Graduate School of Design
2015	Best Of: Student Built Work, Horizon House The Architect's Newspaper, January 2015
2013	Grand Prize LIXIL 2013 Next Generation Sustainable House in Taiki-Cho Japan
2010	Graduated with Distinction

UCLA Architecture and Urban Design

SELECTED ACADEMIC WORK

2013 Horizon House, Hokkaido, Japan (80 sq m) – Built

Grand Prize Winner of the LIXIL 3rd International University Architectural Competition in Japan

Contributed to the conceptual design and graphic representation of an 80 sq meter house in Hokkaido, Japan, that responded to the competition's call to consider the future of sustainable living in rural Hokkaido based on the theme "Retreat in Nature." (with Carlos Cerezo Davila, Matthew Conway, Robert Daurio, Ana Garcia Puyol, Mariano Gomez

Luque, Takuya Iwamura, and Thomas Sherman, and advised by Mark Mulligan and Kiel Moe)

DESIGN/BUILD PROJECTS

2019 The Color of Air (84 sf) – Built

The University of Tennessee College of Architecture + Design

Students: Nicole Capps, Akshata Dusa, Roni Feghaly, Tyler Forsberg, Diana Kraczkowska, Mary Beth Robbins,

Christopher Rubio, Jessica Shremshock, Anastasiya Skvarniuk, Zachary Standley, Izabela Szumniak

EXHIBITIONS

2018 YES to ADU: Awards Event and Exhibition

Los Angeles County Arts Commission

[Better Together competition proposal exhibited]

2017 Data Waltz

Woodbury University Hollywood Outpost (WUHO) Gallery

2014 Horizon House, A Retreat in Nature

Harvard University Graduate School of Design

2013 GSD Platform 6

Harvard University Graduate School of Design

[Academic work exhibited]

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2017-2018 Architectural Designer

Imai Keller Moore Architects, Inc.

2015-2016 Job Captain

Michael Maltzan Architecture

2014 Internship

Höweler + Yoon Architecture

2013 Internship

Takenaka Corporation – Design Section

2012 Internship

Daly Genik Architects

2010 Internship

Atelier Hitoshi Abe (AHA)

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL WORK

2017-2019 Watts Residence, Freedom, NH – Built

Developed concept and schematic design for a private residence. Coordinated client meetings and completed

concept and schematic design for an artist's studio on the property.

Imai Keller Moore Architects, Inc.

2015-2016 Wilshire Courtyard Phase II, Los Angeles, CA – Built

Coordinated all aspects of design development and construction for a Phase II renovation of two office buildings located on Wilshire Boulevard. Attended weekly OAC meetings and coordinated with consultants and contractors

during construction.

Michael Maltzan Architecture

2012 Backyard Homes, Los Angeles, CA – Project

Developed the concept and schematic design of an additional dwelling unit (ADU) in collaboration with

cityLAB UCLA to be exhibited at the Hammer Museum in Los Angeles. Conducted material research and fabricated

a 1:1 scale mock-up of a proposed pneumatic wall assembly.

Daly Genik Architects