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AIA

Principal

Jim is a nationally recognized expert in the planning and design of higher education facilities and leads SCB Chicago's Campus Environments practice. Jim's designs foster a sense of community, promote connection and interaction, and are responsive to evolving trends that enhance student success. In his 30+ year career, Jim has worked on campuses across the country, designing spaces and places that are unique, sustainable, and responsive to their environment.

EDUCATION

University of Notre Dame
Bachelor of Architecture

REGISTRATIONS

Architect - Illinois, Arizona, Indiana,
Minnesota, Nevada, New Jersey,
North Dakota, Wisconsin

AFFILIATIONS/ACTIVITIES

- American Institute of Architects (AIA)
- Society of College & University Planning (SCUP)
- Member, AIA Design for Aging Knowledge Community
- Association for College and University Housing Officers International (ACUHO-I), Former Board Member
- Landmarks Illinois
- Juror, The 21st Century Project Block and Neighborhood Design & Product Showcase
- The 21st Century Project Planning Team
- Mercy Home for Boys and Girls, Board of Regents
- St. Ignatius College Prep, Board of Trustees
- Juror, University of Notre Dame High-Rise Studio
- Juror, Innovator Awards, Student Housing Business, 2016 and 2017
- Ball State University Advisory Board

EDUCATION PROJECTS

Arizona State University Tempe, Arizona

- Manzanita Hall - 211,000 sf, 15-story, 810-bed semi-suite student residence renovation, LEED Silver
- Tooker House and Dining Hall - 458,000 sf, 7-story, 1,589-bed student residence with 27,000 sf, 545-seat dining hall, LEED Gold

Case Western Reserve University Stephanie Tubbs Jones Residence Hall Cleveland, Ohio

124,000 sf, 5-story, 290-bed apartment-style student residence, LEED Gold

Oberlin College Oberlin, Ohio

- Peter B. Lewis Gateway Building - 104,000 sf, 3-story, 67-key hotel and academic building with 8,000 sf retail, Net-Zero Energy and Water, LEED Platinum
- Oberlin Center for Convergence (StudiOC) - 7,000 sf flexible classrooms and offices, LEED Platinum

Butler University Indianapolis, Indiana

- Residential Master Plan - Planning for the addition of 1,000 beds across campus
- Fairview House - 210,000 sf, 5-story, 633-bed suite-style student residence featuring pod-style and apartment units with 4,500 sf multi-purpose room, LEED Gold
- Irvington House - 183,000 sf, 4-story, 647-bed semi-suite-style student residence, LEED Gold

Loyola University Chicago Chicago, Illinois

- Institute of Environmental Sustainability - 215,000 sf mixed-use academic building with STEP and biodiesel labs, greenhouse, 80-seat cafe, and San Francisco Hall, a 109,000 sf, 357-bed student residence, LEED Gold and Net Zero Ready
- St. Joseph Hall - 135,000 sf, 7-story, 406-bed suite-style student residence, targeting LEED Silver
- Lake Shore Residential Master Plan - Master plan for replacement and addition of 1,543 beds in 6 student residences

Drexel University Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

- Calhoun Hall - 105,000 sf, 406-bed student

- residence renovation with 11,000 sf addition
- The Summit at University City - 585,000 sf, 24-story, 1,315-bed suite-style student residence with 12,000 sf, 400-seat dining hall and 20,000 sf retail

Columbia College Chicago Chicago, Illinois

- Campus Real Estate Assessment - Comprehensive building analysis of 19 campus properties, identification, and analysis of potential development sites, recommended planning strategies
- Student Center Programming - Programming for 125,000 sf student center with dining

University of Notre Dame South Bend, Indiana

- Guglielmino Athletics Complex - 95,000 sf varsity athletics facility with 150-seat auditorium
- Morris Inn - 150,000 sf, 150-key campus hotel renovation and addition, LEED Gold

Ball State University Muncie, Indiana

- North Campus Residence Hall - 150,000 sf, 5-story, 508-bed traditional-style student residence, targeting LEED Gold
- Botsford/Swinford Hall - 164,000 sf, 4-story, 576-bed traditional-style student residence renovation and addition, LEED Silver
- DeHority Hall - 152,000 sf, 4-story, 600-bed traditional-style student residence renovation, LEED Silver
- Studebaker East - 74,000 sf, 8-story, 425-bed traditional-style student residence renovation, LEED Silver
- Woodworth Commons - 25,000 sf dining hall renovation
- North Campus Residential Master Plan

University of California, Berkeley
Unit 3 Undergraduate Residence Hall Complex
Feasibility Study
Berkeley, California
326,000 sf facility assessment and options analysis

James Madison University Eagle Hall Feasibility Study Harrisonburg, Virginia

75,800 sf, 8-story, 402 beds, conceptual study of an existing undergraduate dormitory

AWARDS

2019 SCUP/AIA-CAE Excellence in Architecture for a New Building, Honorable Mention

Arizona State University, Tooker House, Tempe, Arizona

- American Architecture Award, 2019
- SCUP/AIA-CAE Excellence in Architecture for a New Building, Honorable Mention, 2019
- National Association of Home Builders (NAHB), Best in American Living, Student Housing Gold Award, 2018
- Architecture Podium International Architecture Awards, Institutional Building (Built), First Award, 2018
- Global Architecture & Design Awards, Honorable Mention, Institutional (Built), 2018
- Multifamily Executive (MFE) Awards, Project of the Year, Student Housing, 2018
- Gold Nugget Awards, Grand Winner, Best Student or Faculty Housing - On or Off Campus Residential, 2018
- Student Housing Business Innovator Award, On Campus: Best Architecture/Design, 2018
- Student Housing Business Innovator Award, Best Use of Green & Sustainable Construction or Development, 2018

30 East, Chicago, Illinois

- National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) Best in American Living Platinum Award, Student Housing, 2017

Oberlin College, Peter B. Lewis Gateway Center, Oberlin, Ohio

- ENR Midwest Best Projects Award, Green Projects Award of Merit, 2017

Butler University, Fairview House, Indianapolis, Indiana

- Student Housing Business Innovator Award, Best Use of Green & Sustainable Construction/Development, 2017
- Student Housing Business Innovator Award, Best Public Private Partnership Development, 2017

University of North Dakota, Wilkerson Commons, Grand Forks, North Dakota

- AIA North Dakota Honor Award, 2016

Drexel University, The Summit at University City, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

- National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) Multifamily Pillars of the Industry Awards, Best Student Housing Rental Apartment Community, 2017

University of Toledo Honors Academic Village Toledo, Ohio

142,000 sf, 4-story, 492-bed suite-style student residence

A.T. Still University Science and Academic Building Mesa, Arizona

100,000 sf, 3-story academic, office, and simulation laboratory building with 85-seat dining hall

Northwestern University Evanston, Illinois

- Elder Hall - 19,000 sf renovation and 5,000 sf addition to 4-story, 368-bed traditional-style student residence
- Kemper Hall - 58,000 sf, 4-story, 184-bed suite-style student residence
- Slivka Hall - 60,000 sf, 4-story, 141-bed suite-style student residence with 50-seat cafe

University of North Dakota Grand Forks, North Dakota

- Residential Master Plan
- University Place - 108,000 sf, 4-story, 268-bed apartment-style student residence and 32-seat cafe
- Wilkerson Commons - 67,000 sf, 2-story, 514-seat dining hall and student center renovation and addition

Northeastern Illinois University The Nest Chicago, Illinois

168,000 sf, 6-story, 440-bed suite-style student residence

Texas A&M University-San Antonio Esperanza Hall San Antonio, Texas

105,000 sf, 4-story, 385-bed semi-suite-style student residence

University of Iowa Aspire at West Campus Iowa City, Iowa

- Phase One - 271,000 sf, 440-bed student residence and 5,000 sf community center
- Phase Two - 251,000 sf, 420-bed student residence

Illinois State University Normal, Illinois

- Residential Long Range Plan and Strategic Plan - Master plan for 7,500 beds and two dining halls
- Wilkins Hall - 81,000 sf, 12-story, 400-bed student residence renovation

University of Illinois at Chicago Chicago, Illinois

- Residential Master Plan
- Academic and Residential Complex- 201,000 sf, 2-story academic and 10-story, 554-bed student residence building, targeting LEED Gold
- Student Services Building - 150,000 sf, 3-story student union renovation

Lake Forest College Lake Forest, Illinois

- Brown Hall - 47,000 sf, 3-story, academic building with 21,000 sf addition
- Deerpath Hall - 448,000 sf, 4-story, 166-bed traditional and suite-style student residence renovation and addition
- Facilities Assessment and Campus Master Plan
- Moore Hall - 65,000 sf, 4-story, 233-bed suite-style student residence, LEED Certified IN PARTNERSHIP WITH BALFOUR BEATTY CAMPUS SOLUTIONS
- Nollen Hall - 42,000 sf, 4-story, 147-bed pod-style student residence renovation and addition
- Theater Addition Feasibility Study
- Sports and Recreation Center - 70,000 sf student recreation center addition

Northern Illinois University DeKalb, Illinois

- Residential Master Plan - Master plan for seven 7,000-bed student residences
- Stevenson Hall - 626,000 sf, 2-building, 13-story, 1,280-bed traditional and semi-suite-style student residence and dining renovation

Illinois College Jacksonville, Illinois

- Abraham Lincoln Hall - 73,000 sf, 3-story, 203-bed suite-style student residence, LEED Silver
- Space Utilization Plan