

PROJECT MANAGER – RETAIL & COMMERCIAL (SIGNING BONUS!)

Signing bonus - \$7,000! William Duff Architects (WDA) is looking for a Project Manager with 7 years of experience to join our Commercial, Retail and Restaurant Practice. We are an award-winning, inclusive architecture firm, comprised of bright, creative, motivated people. Built as a people-based practice, we were recognized as the only architecture firm to make it on the San Francisco Business Times Best Places to Work List (2020). With capabilities in multiple sectors, we specialize in residential, workplace, hospitality and retail across the Bay Area and beyond. We offer competitive salaries, full benefits, a transit-friendly brand-new workplace, and opportunities for professional growth.

Mission Statement:

WDA is passionate about serving our clients through the creation of innovating, sustainable architecture delivered through excellent project management.

Core Values:

Communication – We believe sharing ideas in a respectful, collaborative environment is essential to success.

Creativity – We overcome challenges through unique and innovative solutions.

Transparency – We conduct our work with openness, honesty and integrity.

Excellence – We strive for excellence in all facets of our work.

Growth – We promote the continuous improvement of our firm, projects, processes and people.

Benefits:

Competitive salaries based on experience
100% employer sponsored health, dental, vision & life insurance
401K retirement plan
Bonuses
Profit Sharing (401K)
Combined PTO
9 paid holidays (includes 2 floating holidays)
Annual stipend for professional development
Mentorship program
Architectural licensure support – AXP & ARE
Ergonomic sit-stand workstations
Quarterly office outings
Summer hours
Weekly happy hours
In-house bicycle parking and shower
Commuter benefits
Retail discount program

Qualifications and Skills:

7 or more years of experience working in an architecture office designing and managing retail tenant improvement, restaurants projects and commercial projects.

Knowledge of retail and restaurant design, construction means and methods, architectural detailing, and building and planning codes.

Knowledge of commercial design, construction means and methods, architectural detailing, and building and planning codes.

Proven ability to effectively manage, motivate and lead a project team.

Proven ability to navigate dynamic or ambiguous situations, schedules and project demands.

Critical and creative thinker with strong design ability and attention to detail.

Strong design ability as representative in sketches, renderings or other means.

Proficiency with BIM software (Revit strongly preferred).

Proficiency in AutoCAD, MS Office, Adobe Creative Suite and Bluebeam.

Strong writing, editing, organizational and verbal communication skills.

Knowledge of green building technologies, products and net-zero design strategies.

Experience and/or interest in participating in business development and marketing activities.

Education:

Bachelor or Master Degree in Architecture from an accredited college, university or equivalent in education or experience.

Certificates, Licenses, Registrations:

Licensure preferred, preferably in California. LEED AP certification encouraged.

Major Responsibilities:

Work closely with Practice Leaders to manage multiple active small to mid-sized retail stores, transportation hub lounges, restaurant tenant improvement projects, mid-sized commercial core and shell, rehab and workplace tenant improvement projects.

Manage project setup, establish project goals, prepare work plan, and assess staffing needs with regularized updates.

Manage and engage in design of a project with the project team. Prepare sketches and concepts with team and develop project design with Practice Leader and Founding Principal.

Manage document production by developing design and technical drawings, and research relevant information with team.

Ensure that project conforms to contractual agreement with client.

Provide technical expertise for effective detailing and constructability.

Manage project schedule and budget to ensure profitability and completion on time.

Conduct code and product research with team, and manage the permitting and agency approvals process.

Manage the bidding and negotiation process, and assist the client in evaluation of submitted bids.

Implement quality assurance/quality control processes to reduce risks and exposure in all phases of the project.

Direct and manage Construction Observation activities, including scheduling, review of shop drawings, field observations, review of change orders, and review of contractor pay requests.

Review project invoices and expenses.

Participate in business development and marketing activities.

Delegate project work, mentor and motivate team members.

Provide regularized growth opportunities and oversight for team members in various roles.

Manages and conducts in-person meetings or work and site visits based on project needs.

Location:

We are currently working remote but plan to return to the office in the summer.

Please submit the following in PDF form by email to careers@wdarch.com (not to exceed 4MB), and include the job title in the subject line:

Resume

A cover letter articulating why you could be a good fit at WDA, and a bit about your personal design inspirations and aspirations

Relevant work samples

How you heard about WDA

No drop-in visits or phone calls, please. WDA is an Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity Employer (AA/EOE). Candidates must be eligible to work full time in the United States. Immigration or work visa sponsorship will not be provided.