

Byron Mouton

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Byron Mouton is an expert in the areas of architecture, construction and collaborative planning approaches.

Biography

Byron J. Mouton is an established architect, educator, New Orleans native, and alumnus of Tulane University. He has traveled a path from New Orleans through Harvard's Graduate School of Design to professional practice in Central Europe, and eventually back at home. He now finds himself committed to building his locally-based practice BILD Design, in conjunction with his academic role as Professor of Practice at Tulane's School of Architecture, Director of the school's design/build program URBANbuild. From 2011-2014, he served as one of the founding endowed Social Entrepreneurship Professors in the university-wide program in Social Innovation and Social Entrepreneurship (SISE).

With more than 20 years of experience in the fields of architecture and construction, several award-winning projects, and exposure in national and international publications, Byron is committed to critical assignments that exemplify a collaborative planning approach and a dedication to the regional remediation of New Orleans. As a local, Byron understands the impact of pre-Katrina problems on a post-Katrina world and the challenges set forth. The comprehensive nature of such tasks fuels his investigations in pursuit of progressive contextual infill possibilities that encourage and advance the revitalization of New Orleans' urban fabric. Over the past 14 years, as Principal of BILD, Byron has explored alternative models for affordable housing within the context of the city's sometimes peculiar setting, and he continues to offer the city progressive options for domestic growth in the face of on-going challenges.

Entering his 18th-year as an instructor with the Tulane School of Architecture, Byron has created a unique opportunity to align practice and academia. Through his involvement in directing design studios, study abroad programs, and the URBANbuild program, Byron has the opportunity to promote interdisciplinary dialogue between practice, teaching and research. By capitalizing on the symbiotic relationship between his practice and his teaching, he can bring together clients, students, community organizations, visiting academic groups, industry leaders, non-profit organizations, and governing agencies - educating a wider audience to the issues of quality design and construction, while also improving and enhancing the aesthetic, economic and ecological environment of projects and developmental opportunities.

Areas of Expertise

Social Innovation, Collaborative Planning, Architecture, Construction, Social Entrepreneurship

Education

Harvard University

M.A. Architecture

Tulane University School of Architecture

B.A. Architecture

Accomplishments

AIA New Orleans Design Award – Honor Award

\URBANbuild 8/Lasalle Market - with Tulane School of Architecture's URBANbuild Program (2014)

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