

Brief Statement > Craig Anz

Since 2009, I have served as a member of the Technical Review Committee for the *Architectural Research Centers Consortium* (ARCC) and have also served on multiple ARCC-EAAE review panels. Therefore, it would be an honor to now serve as a board member.

The ARCC at that time focused on the subject, "*Leadership in Architectural Research, between Academia and the Profession*," which has influenced me throughout my academic and professional career, well into my university leadership position. The ARCC is a key proponent that *design* itself can constitute a form of leadership that guides solutionary responses toward the most important challenges of our time, wherein rigorous solid-state research is paramount to understanding complex problems and thus informing our architectural endeavors.

As both a practitioner and educator, I have the capacity to bridge research in history and criticism, as well as applied understandings of interpretive, socio-cultural, qualitative, and naturalistic research methods incorporated in establishing architectural discourse. As a professional working in complex, large-scale urban and environmental settings, I have applied experience in quantitative data-systems and performance-based analysis incorporated in urban design and planning. As a professor, my research and teaching revolves around a range of subjects, including urban design, community development, environmental systems, and research methods, which are key areas for our emerging profession.

As I have also served many years as an editor and research coordinator for multiple professional research organizations (e.g. ACSA and others), I understand the need to synthesize discourse and disseminate knowledge across our fields as essential for effective practice. The shared goal is to build vibrant and diverse discourse within our allied professions and to promote informed global design education, research, practice, and leadership. For the ARCC, potential roles within my expertise include serving as an ARCC conference coordinator and/or technical review committee coordinator.