

# JEREMY LYNN



**NORTHEAST  
QUAD  
DIRECTOR**



**2026-2027 CANDIDACY PACKET**

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Jordan Luther, Assoc. AIA, AIAS, NOMA, Past President  
American Institute of Architecture Students  
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Dear Past President Luther,

I would firstly like to thank you for inspiring and giving me the opportunity to pursue further involvement within the AIAS. If you were to have asked me four years ago when I was a shy first-year student at Penn State if I would ever run for national office, I would not have believed it. Ever since my first day of undergraduate study, AIAS felt like a home to me. The sense of community brought by likeminded architecture students has propelled me to this moment. I never thought that AIAS would change my life as much as it has today.

My journey with AIAS first started when my friend and then President of our chapter at the time, got me to take on the role of First-Year Liaison. Throughout that year, I was able to experience the joy that AIAS brings, the resources the organization provides, and the strong sense of connection it fosters. Being trusted as a leader early on in my career was a pivotal moment for me. This positive experience only propelled me further within the organization and allowed me to really see what I was capable of. As I moved up to the role of President, your support and guidance inspired me to continue advocating for students in making architectural education and mentorship more accessible.

Not only have I loved serving my chapter, but I have thoroughly enjoyed working with students worldwide. While attending conferences and joining task forces and committees, it has been truly inspiring to see the level of growth within the organization, how students advocate for others, and the drive of all chapters to make a positive impact within the built environment. AIAS has taught me how to lead with compassion and continue being engaged in active discovery. From being the Chair of the Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Task Force to serving as an NCARB Student Licensing Advisor for the past two years, I have seen the power that advocacy makes when we work together as one team.

I strongly believe that my experiences within AIAS have led me to where I am today. Not only have I grown as a leader in my community, but I have also grown personally. A saying that I was told early on in my journey was, "Inspired people, inspire people." This could not be more true of AIAS. It is with this inspirational drive for the organization that I formally declare my candidacy for the role of **2026-2027 AIAS Northeast Quad Director**.

Best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Lynn', with a stylized, flowing script.

Jeremy Lynn, AIAS, NOMAS  
AIAS Strategic Planning Committee Co-Chair  
AIAS Risk Assessment Committee Member

# JEREMY LYNN

AIAS, NOMAS

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## EDUCATION

### The Pennsylvania State University

#### Bachelor of Architecture

Minor in Architectural History  
2021 - 2026

#### Schreyer Honors College

Presidential Leadership Academy  
Certificate  
2022 - 2026

## SKILLS

### Design

- Revit
- Rhinoceros
- AutoCad

### Visualization

- Lumion
- Twinmotion
- V-Ray

### Fabrication

- Hand Drafting
- 3D Printing
- Laser Cutting

### Others

- Microsoft Office Suite
- Adobe Creative Suite
- Climate Consultant

## AWARDS + HONORS

### NOMA Future Faces Fellow

2025 - Present

### Dean's List

2021 - Present

### Morgan Honors Scholarship

2024

### Project Cahir Endowment Fund

2023, 2024

### For the Future Trustee Scholarship

2022, 2024

### Robert E. Fenza Architecture

#### Scholarship

2024

### Kieran Timberlake Scholarship

2023

## LANGUAGES

- English (Fluent)
- Spanish (Fluent)

## ARCHITECTURE WORK EXPERIENCE

### Internship at Perkins+Will

Jun 2025 - Aug 2025

Architectural Intern

- Generated space planning diagrams, digital site models, material research and presentations in the conceptual design phase for the Wilmington 1898 Museum for Healing, Education, and Democracy
- Conducted analytical research using ArcGIS, developed space planning diagrams, and generated a digital site model in the conceptual design phase for The Underground Railroad Museum in Columbia, Pennsylvania
- Developed technical drawings, graphic templates, and presentations for multiple built projects for AIA and other award submittals

## AIAS LEADERSHIP

### Strategic Planning Committee Co-Chair

Sep 2025 - Present

- Developing the 2026-2030 AIAS Strategic Plan
- Engage relevant stakeholders from every membership category and AIAS signature program, as well as others identified by the committee, through town halls, interviews and sessions

### Risk Assessment Committee Member

Sep 2025 - Present

- Analyzing risks within 501 (c)(3) nonprofits to better anticipate potential future risks within AIAS
- Writing proposals to the board with amendments to existing organizational structures

### Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion

Nov 2024 - Jul 2025

#### Task Force Chair

- Accessing the AIAS at the governance, cultural, and functional levels to ensure an equitable and diverse organization, as well as accessibility to resources
- Generating programming to educate membership on JEDI initiatives in academia, design, and the workforce

### Penn State AIAS Past President/NCARB Student Licensing Advisor

Aug 2024 - Present

### Penn State AIAS President

Nov 2023 - Jul 2024

### Penn State AIAS Vice-President

Aug 2023 - Nov 2023

### Penn State AIAS Second-Year Liaison

Aug 2022 - May 2023

### Penn State AIAS FBD Historian

Aug 2021 - May 2022

### Penn State AIAS First-Year Liaison

Aug 2021 - May 2022



November 18, 2025  
To: Ms. Jordan Luther, Assoc. AIA, AIAS, NOMA  
The American Institute of Architecture Students  
1735 New York Avenue, NW  
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I am writing this letter of recommendation for Jeremy Lynn, who is running for the 2026-2027 Northeast Quadrant Director position for the AIAS.

I have known Jeremy since his freshman year here at Penn State where I serve as our School's Career Adviser and as the AIAS Faculty Advisor. I have advised the AIAS for ten years and can honestly say Jeremy has been one of the most outgoing and most involved students I have ever worked with. It may sound cliché, especially in a letter of recommendation, but I am not being hyperbolic. I am sure you can see from his resume and other application materials just how involved he has been at Penn State and beyond.

One leadership example I can think of is from a few years ago when Jeremy was Vice President of our NOMAS and AIAS chapters. Jeremy had to assume the role of AIAS President very quickly into his tenure to make sure the chapter would have a successful semester with appropriate leadership. I met with him several times to advise him on how to handle the situation diplomatically and balance his many leadership positions and schoolwork.

Jeremy has also been our NCARB Student Licensing Advisor for two years, helping students with AXP hours, finding internship opportunities, and guiding them through the process of eventually becoming licensed. We co-hosted a licensing seminar earlier this semester.

In addition to Jeremy's PSU involvement, he has also had many roles at the National level, including:

- 2024-2025 Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Task Force Chair
- 2025-2026 Strategic Planning Committee Co-Chair
- 2025-2026 Risk Assessment Committee Member

I wholeheartedly recommend Jeremy to be considered for the Northeast Quadrant Director position and hope he is selected.

Thank you,

Ross Weinreb, R.A.

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Dear AIAS Past President Jordan Luther,

It is my absolute privilege to write a letter of support for Jeremy Lynn. The past three years I have worked and collaborated with Jeremy in a variety of positions in our local Penn State executive board including his time as President, Vice President, Year-Level Liaison, and NCARB Student Advisor, as well as his AIAS national position on the JEDI Task Force. During Jeremy's term as President, I served side-by-side with him as Vice-President, providing me a deeper look into his immense dedication and compassion which he has demonstrated in all aspects of life. It is this experience that makes me incredibly proud to support Jeremy in his ambition to become AIAS Northeast Quad Director.

From the start of year one, Jeremy was immediately involved in Penn State's chapter of AIAS. Jeremy saw this organization as more than just an incredible professional opportunity, but also as an opportunity to help his peers through advocating for them and supporting their needs, leading him to become a year-level liaison his first year at Penn State. As a liaison, Jeremy saw to it that all students had someone to talk to and took action many times in order to help those around him.

During our time at Penn State, our chapter has seen noticeable fluctuations. Our chapter experienced a major downtick in attendance, events, and other aspects causing us to fall out of good standing. To say that Jeremy brought our chapter back to life would be an understatement. Under Jeremy's leadership as both Vice-President and President, our chapter saw not only a major attendance increase, but also an increase in professional, social, and educational events, and brought Penn State's chapter back into good standing—all during one of the most intensive times of his academic career, comprehensive design studio year.

In all positions Jeremy has held, he has maintained a strong voice for architecture students at Penn State and helped to provide many resources for success. As Jeremy transitioned to the role of Past-President, he was still an incredible aid to all, providing trainings and resources to help incoming presidents and other executive board members slide seamlessly into their new positions. As Jeremy has moved into national AIAS positions (such as becoming the Chair of the JEDI Task Force and Co-Chair of the Strategic Planning Committee), Jeremy has balanced his national responsibilities and his local Penn State AIAS with much grace. Jeremy's dedication to this organization (and his undying desire for it to run smoothly) traveled across seas as well. While participating in global community service projects in countries with limited service and connection, he continued to plan out and host virtual trainings for our local members. He also continued his work as a JEDI Task Force Chair while studying abroad in Rome. None of this is a surprise to anyone at Penn State. Jeremy's commitment to and love for AIAS and its mission has never changed. I could not think of a better fit for Northeast Quad director.

Sincerely,

Maryanne Knappenberger

2023-2024 AIAS PSU Chapter Vice-President

1. We all love the AIAS for different reasons, but it takes a critical and constructive analysis of the institutions we appreciate most to continue to evolve them into entities that can support each new generation of membership. **Why are you running for a position on the AIAS Board of Directors?** What about the organization and its membership motivates you to seek a leadership position?

Having been a proud member of this organization for the past four years, I have learned a lot on the values of leadership and how interconnected we really are. Great leaders must learn to act with compassion, think in the gray area, and know how to inspire. Most importantly, a great leader must know how to listen and continuously engage in learning. It is this act of continuous discovery that inspires me to motivate and encourage others to join AIAS. Had I not taken advice from my fellow student mentors in my freshman year, I do not believe I would have been in the position I am currently in. I hope to give back just as much as others have given me.

When I was first introduced to AIAS back in 2021, I did not know the full range of possibilities out there. To me, this organization is a cultural melting pot of ideas and experiences which continuously evolves over time. At the core of AIAS are the people. I am driven by the strong sense of community that AIAS creates, and the profound impact chapters have on their own campuses. My goal is to expand this network of community and truly showcase the power that we as students have to positively impact the profession. Through outreach, inclusivity, and action, I am committed to creating pipelines that connect students from all different backgrounds, where they may feel motivated to continue the mission of AIAS and inspire the next generation. Most importantly, I want AIAS members to feel supported every step of the way throughout their career. Ensuring the continuous support from the national board and other leaders within the organization is crucial to the success of every chapter.

2. Though it may be hard to believe, the AIAS is not perfect. A critical analysis of any organization is a healthy part of its operation. There may be things that you feel the AIAS could do better, or maybe you see new opportunities or partners to engage. **Where do you see room for improvement or new areas for the organization to expand into?**

The licensure process is highly demanding, with many recent graduates feeling as though they must tackle it alone. Having served as an NCARB Student Licensing Advisor for the past two years, I have seen the value of mentorship within schools in providing organized study groups and free exam practice materials. I think that there should be an AIAS alumni pipeline to connect current registered AIAS members with professionals who were in their shoes and could provide guidance about the profession. This would not only create more frequent discussions surrounding mentorship, but it would encourage more professional development access which is a realm that the AIAS could expand upon in the coming years.

To attract more students to this pipeline and other resources within the AIAS, we must increase national membership. At Penn State University, students ask me all the time about what the value to national membership is and what it could offer them professionally. I think our organization ought to make the role of membership clearer and showcase the many ways in which students have access to resources. Creating detailed guidelines as to what a yearly membership would offer students could reduce confusion surrounding membership and increase student engagement across the organization. These areas of improvement are two-fold. We need more national members to take advantage of the resources found within AIAS, and we need to create more professional development opportunities to attract said members.



**3.** In recent years, the AIAS has increased its efforts in advocacy for architecture students on issues including but not limited to health and wellness, equity, student loan debt, Learning & Teaching Culture, practice experience, leadership, and technology. **What one issue do you personally find the most important?** How would you make progress on this issue as an elected leader on the AIAS Board of Directors?

Throughout my years as a full-time student and leader in my community, I have had much growth both professionally and academically. However, one area that often gets overlooked is mental growth. As future architects and designers, we have all had to adapt in some way, shape, or form. Although this adaptability is good, it often means that aspects of our lives, regarding health and wellness, get placed on the back burner. As Northeast Quad Director, I would make it my priority to create safe spaces that acknowledge mental health issues, ones where students can talk about their concerns and learn from each other in a calm, respectful environment.

Studio culture needs to change. Architecture is looked at as one of the most respected yet challenging majors both in America and in other parts of the world. The so-called “all-nighter” is a common experience for students, specifically those who are also involved in extra-curricular activities, which demand more time out of their already busy schedules. In my work with food and housing insecurity at Penn State University, I have also noticed architecture students being among the highest to either sleep in the studio or miss a meal because they were so focused on completing their projects. There is a difference between dedication to your craft and burnout.

As Northeast Quad Director, I will work with our IDEAS and Development Task Forces to analyze ways to create healthier work environments for students and promote more inclusive mental health practices in studio spaces. I will also work to expand our existing partnership with BetterHelp to create open forum discussions about mental health in the profession after education. We as leaders must ensure that everyone feels open and comfortable to speak about their experiences. As Northeast Quad Director, I will make it my priority to make that happen.

**4.** The AIAS has over 250 active chapters across the U.S. and around the world, ranging in size, age range, and even purpose. **How would you use your position on the Board to better connect and engage our geographically and culturally diverse membership?** What resources would you propose to better serve Chapter leaders seeking to grow their chapters and connect to other students around the world?

To me, one of the core driving factors of the AIAS is the diversity of our membership. In my time serving on the JEDI Task Force and Strategic Planning Committee, I have had the pleasure of working with chapter leaders from across the globe, who each bring their own perspectives and experiences to the forefront of AIAS’s mission. Being in a room with inspired students from all different backgrounds positively impacted my view of the profession. To encourage more connection between membership, I will work to create “AIAS Global Chats,” a series of informal discussions with chapters from around the world. Each month, a new quad or region would host a chat discussing how some of the chapters in their respective areas are organized, what kinds of events are hosted, and the overall culture of their portion of the world as it relates to architecture. This would give chapters a great opportunity to hear from others who they would not normally interact with..



At a more local scale, I will work with chapters in close geographic areas to plan virtual and in-person events together. This would also mean implementing region conferences for the Latin America and Middle East regions. These events would be supplementary to the existing quad conferences. It is my belief that chapters can learn a lot from each other. Hosting joint events and activities can not only spark collaboration between members, but it can also inspire future connections. I think that global and regional collaboration efforts inspire the growth necessary for AIAS chapter members to be proactive members of society and continue to serve communities worldwide.

**5. Describe how you intend to fulfill the roles and responsibilities of your chosen position on the Board. Elaborate on your intended communication/action plan and the primary goals you have for your one-year term.**

To fulfill my given responsibilities, I intend to create sustainable and lasting contributions which will positively impact current and future members. As the Northeast Quad Director, I will serve my term through three values which I feel could positively impact the Northeast Quad and AIAS as a whole: accessibility, service, and growth.

I am a strong believer in accessibility to ensure everyone has equal opportunities to succeed. Coming from a low-income background, I want to ensure members have access to financial support through scholarships, grants, and other external sources to fund their education. I will consult every chapter to make sure they get the assistance that they need and include them in quad calls to spread awareness of any resources they feel could be beneficial to the entire Northeast Quad.

The next value is service. Not only must we make sure that the Northeast Quad has the resources that they need, but we must do the same for our communities. I will work with our chapters to advocate for service project initiatives in their own towns and develop a strong sense of place-making for communities in need. If a chapter does not already have a Freedom by Design group, I would work with them to generate momentum for starting one. This would strengthen student engagement, while also preparing students for professional work outside of school.

Lastly, I want to make sure the Northeast Quad has room to grow. If my high school had an AIAS chapter, I believe that more students would have pursued a career in architecture. As a result, my mission would be to grow our high school chapter network and find opportunities for high school students to interact with our collegiate chapters. As future architects and designers, we build community. I will work with our chapters to develop ways to retain existing members and welcome in new ones. For our smaller chapters, I will assist them in creating actionable goals towards expanding their membership and creating a larger awareness of AIAS and its mission.

## POLICY ON COMPENSATION FOR INTERNS

In July 1993, the AIAS Board of Directors adopted a "Public Policy on Uncompensated Interns." The policy has been subsequently reviewed and reaffirmed by the Board and reads as follows:

The AIAS maintains that employers must properly compensate all employees. Compensation must be in compliance with the regulations for the jurisdiction in which they are working.

In 2010, AIAS crafted a public statement on intern compensation in conjunction with the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture and the American Institute of Architects, which reads as follows:

The Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture, the American Institute of Architects, and the American Institute of Architecture Students recognize that architects are bound by law and ethics to pay interns, and strongly advocate for the appropriate compensation of architectural students and interns. Because of current economic transformations, some architects have both solicited and accepted the services and labor of interns without pay. We strongly urge architectural firms and other for-profit employers to respect the law and comply with the ethical standards of our profession, and we strongly encourage interns to refuse to accept employment without pay, and to notify the Department of Labor in cases where employers propose such an arrangement. For more information on labor laws and professional ethics, please see the AIA Code of Ethics and the U.S. Labor Department standards under the Fair Labor Standards Act.

The ACSA, AIA, and AIAS further support architects, students, and recent graduate doing pro-bono work. We recognize the distinction between unpaid work for profit-making employers, and unpaid work for non-profit organizations, communities in need, and volunteer activities, which allows participants to determine their own hours and degree of involvement. The AIA has established guidelines for service that are provided on a Pro Bono basis. They can be found under the member section of the AIA website.

**POLICY ON COMPENSATION FOR INTERNS AFFIRMATION** As a way of confirming that the AIAS is not promoting or being promoted by architects employing unpaid interns, we ask that each participant in an official AIAS function review and sign the following statement. We appreciate your participation in our event and thank you for your support of our position against unpaid internships. This position is supported as well by the Board of Directors of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture (ACSA) and the American Institute of Architects (AIA).

Name: Jeremy Lynn

I do hereby affirm that I understand and support the AIAS policy on the compensation for interns. If I employee interns, I further affirm that I do not use unpaid architectural interns in my professional practice when applicable by federal wage and hour laws.

Signature: Jeremy Lynn

Date: 11/22/2025

## ELECTIONS CODE OF ETHICS

Elections are a critical step by which the American Institute of Architecture Students is governed. Annual elections, as outlined in the Bylaws and the Rules of the Board, ensure that the membership of the organization participates in the selection of the best candidates to serve on the national Board of Directors.

Individuals elected to the Board of Directors represent the membership and ensure the continued success of the organization. Therefore, participants who are involved in the elections process, including candidates and Board Members, are expected to demonstrate the highest standards of professionalism, integrity, and good judgment.

Confidentiality is required of all participants in the elections process. Participants should not discuss details of the elections process to the general membership before, during or after FORUM. Elections information that is considered public knowledge, and therefore can be shared with the membership, occurs during the General Business Sessions and at the General Assemblies.

Campaigning is strictly prohibited prior to FORUM. Conversation between chapters regarding candidates should not take place. Campaigning will only begin at the first General Assembly of FORUM.

Campaigning during FORUM shall be professional. Candidates and candidate support groups should be respectful in their campaigning efforts. Disrespectful campaigning will be a violation of the Elections Code of Ethics, and will be grounds for immediate review by the Past President.

Campaigning materials should follow the Election Guidelines, and should be distributed in appropriate venues only. Appropriate venues include FORUM General Business Sessions, General Assemblies, and Quad Breakouts.

As leaders of this organization, and future leaders of this profession, we must uphold the highest ethical practice. Questionable behavior during elections will not be tolerated. Any concerns should be immediately raised with the Past President.

**ELECTIONS CODE OF ETHICS AFFIRMATION** To promote the highest level of professionalism during elections, we ask that each participant in the elections process review and sign the following statement. We appreciate your participation and thank you for your support and dedication to the organization.

Name: Jeremy Lynn

I do hereby affirm that I have read, understand and agree to abide by the AIAS Elections Code of Ethics and the Elections Guidelines.

Signature: Jeremy Lynn

Date: 11/22/2025

Please submit this form with your confirmation for participation.

## CANDIDATE CONTACT INFORMATION FORM

Candidate contact information will only be used by the Past President to communicate elections-related information. If provided, social media handles will be shared when candidates are posted publicly on AIAS website and social media.

Name (as preferred): Jeremy Lynn

Chapter: The Pennsylvania State University

Chapter Leadership Position (if any): 2023-2024 Chapter President/ 2024-26 NCARB Student Licensing Advisor

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