

# FAU SoA

## PORTFOLIO SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Prospective students should consider the following guidelines when submitting a portfolio for admissions. A portfolio is an academic design project and an illustration of your work and your own design thinking. While the School will not provide a template or any particular portfolio as “ideal”, the issues below include a few specific requirements and several answers to the most frequently asked questions regarding the School’s portfolio submission.

**Orientation:** Pages can be either portrait (vertical) or landscape (horizontal). The design and layout of the projects is up to you.

**Content:** No original documents, slides, or rolled drawings will be accepted

**Size:** Portfolios should be approximately letter size (8 ½ by 11) format. Portfolios may include up to 24 pages of representative work

**The cover page should include:** your name, address, telephone number, email address, your Z# (student number assigned by the university), and please make sure to note the design sequence you are applying for (i.e. if you have completed a four year degree and are applying to enter the “Fifth year” or “Design 9”).

**PROJECTS TITLES:** All projects should include the following text information:

- A title
- A short description of the project
- The course for which the work was completed (where applicable)
- Date completed
- Group work or professional work, the individual’s role in the project.

**PORTFOLIOS SHOULD CONSIST OF:**

- A sequential process of development from design 1 and up, with the greatest emphasis on recent works. Examples of past student work are most important, but other work – completed privately or in a professional setting are accepted.
- Architectural projects should be illustrated with clear reproductions and include a range of architectural representation: plans, elevations, sections, perspective drawings, sketches, models, and other three-dimensional representations.
- The architecture faculty reviews the contents of a portfolio for admission **and** placement purposes. The projects submitted will be evaluated for equivalent learning. Student placement in the Design Studio sequence is based upon the illustrated level of skill and understanding **as indicated in the presented work.**

**PORTFOLIO SUBMISSION & WRITING EXERCISE DEADLINE:**

The School of Architecture accepts new applicants in the **Fall Semester only**. A one page narrative, a Letter of Intent that briefly explains one’s motivations for applying to the School of Architecture.

The School of Architecture recommends that all applicants complete the University Application prior or conjunction with the School of Architecture application deadline. Please apply online at [www.fau.edu/admissions](http://www.fau.edu/admissions) .

**FALL Admissions deadlines and dates:**

- **School of Architecture Application and Letter of Intent:** Last Friday in February  
Application available online at <http://cdsi.fau.edu/soa/admissions/applications>
- **Portfolio** – must arrive or be delivered by last Friday in February. If you are hand delivering a portfolio these should be brought to room 607 of the Higher Education Complex, 111 E Las Olas Blvd, in downtown Ft Lauderdale.

***Portfolios submitted after either of this deadline will not be accepted!***

**SEND PORTFOLIO TO:** FAU, School of Architecture, 111 East Las Olas Blvd., Room 607, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33301. If you have any questions, please contact Versel Reid at 954-762-5644 or [vreid@fau.edu](mailto:vreid@fau.edu) .