

Company Overview

ABLA is a premier regional planning & landscape architecture firm who understands that outdoor spaces are worlds unto themselves – from the elaborate infrastructure that helps communities thrive, to the dynamic ecosystem balanced in every landscape. “Inspiring spaces. Impacting lives.” is our motto and the driving force behind the authentic relationship experience our clients receive when collaborating with us. We call Arizona home, but our craft takes us into six other states as well with a diverse portfolio of nationally recognized projects encompassing all aspects of entitlements, land planning, urban design, landscape architecture, and project implementation. Our services expand across both public and private sectors, ranging from small intimate urban spaces to large master-planned communities and mixed-use projects.

We are currently looking for trailblazers who want to achieve greatness through innovation and add to the diversity of our vibrant and family oriented ABLA culture. Are you ready to explore the creative inspiration and fun work environment awaiting you at our brand-new studio right off of Tempe Town Lake? We offer a flexible schedule, indoor and outdoor workspaces, multi-collaboration spaces, and a dynamic mentorship program that gives you the tools to control your journey and industry development.

At ABLA, it’s time to inspire! Please submit your resume and portfolio after reviewing the following position criteria:

Planner I

ABLA is now hiring to fill a Planner I position. This is a full-time entry-level position, and the ideal candidate should meet the following requirements:

Standard Requirements:

- Developing knowledge of land planning, grading design, graphic preparation, municipal entitlements, and plan preparation with excellent layout, organization, written, and verbal skills.
- Design, documentation, and processing of land planning and entitlement projects varying from residential and commercial to office and recreation, as well as assessing a potential site for development through site analysis.
- Develops Master Plan(s) for projects;
 - Builds the feasibility study and strategic framework and establishes and develop options for land use to be translated into three-dimensional models, and identifies the resulting development needs, as well as costs and value;

- Identifies whether the chosen site is suitable for the intended function, and considers the financial, social, and environmental aspects of each proposal;
- Writes general plan amendments, municipal zoning code analysis, research, development documentation;
- Coordinates and reviews site plans and designs to ensure compliance with city zoning;
- Coordinates ordinance and site regulations, design specifications and standards; coordinates a review of design recommendations;
- Coordinates with city departments and developers regarding questions dealing with site layout and design;
- Coordinates community and mixed-use planning including land use, zoning, physical lot layout & roadway network geometry;
- Designs and creates guidelines, land development standards, narratives, and creative writing;
- Creates and modifies layout and graphic content to convey ideas, methodologies, and approaches;
- Displays exceptional verbal and written communication skills with solid knowledge of the written word including persuasive copy writing skills and excellent grammar skills;
- Special projects as needed.

Special Requirements:

- Work directly under Senior Planning Managers and other firm managers level and regulates self-work schedule based on deadlines provided;
- Displays a desire to learn and develops skills necessary to assume additional responsibilities within the office;
- Licensure not required; and
- Zero to two years of experience. (assuming this is a college graduate or cad technician position)

Proficiency required in the following programs:

- AutoCAD
- Adobe Creative Suite (specifically Photoshop and InDesign)
- Microsoft Office

Experience with Sketch-Up and/or Lumion a plus.

Education:

- Bachelor's degree in Landscape Architecture, Urban Planning, or another related field required.

Please provide your resume and portfolio to:
careers@ablstudio.com

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