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## Firm Experience

### Principal/Partner

BOX Studios (aka: FUEL dc) - Chicago, IL

**Dates:** 2001 - Present

**Responsibilities:** Senior leadership role overseeing various aspects of the firm's operations including: Leadership Management, Business Development, Project Oversight, Financial Management, Quality Control, Team Development, Client Interaction, Networking and Community Involvement. The overarching role involves the shaping of the firm's success, both in terms of design excellence and business growth.

**Markets:** Architecture, Base-Building, Education, Government, Health/Wellness, Hospitality, Light Industrial, Multi-Family, Mixed Use, Retail, Repurpose/Renovation, and Workplace.

**Miscellaneous:** After being in the design industry for 10 years, I decided to start my own firm in 2001. FUEL Design Collaborative is a multi-disciplinary practice serving the Chicagoland area. In 2007, we decided to merge in with a former colleague in Denver to firm BOX Studios, in order expand our national and international client reach.

## Recognition

- Interior Design Firm of the Year Finalist 2018 - 2021, and 2024
- IIDA RED Awards Recipient 2017, 2021, and 2022
- ASID Design Excellence Award - 2019
- The International Master of Architecture HM Recipient 2018
- Self-Certified Architect | City of Chicago 2012 - Present

## Culture + Community

- Chicago Scholars Volunteer 2023 - Present
- Insightful Collaborative Advisory Board Member 2020 - Present
- I.D.E.A.S. Guest Lecture Virginia Tech University 2016
- UPCA Guest Speaker University of the Philippines 2014
- Lee Bryant Memorial Lecture Kansas State University 2010
- Fenwick HS Building & Grounds Committee 2012 - Present
- St Francis Xavier Building & Grounds Committee 2008 - 2016

## Interests

family



art



food



h: 136 Bluff Ave  
LaGrange, IL 60525

o: 150 N Wacker Dr, Suite 2450  
Chicago, IL 60606

### Adjunct Professor

Columbia College - Chicago, IL

**Dates:** 2016 - Present

**Responsibilities:** Teaching a variety of upper level architectural /interior design courses including: Conceptual Design, Construction Documents, and Senior Year Portfolio.

### Adjunct Professor

The Illinois Institute of Art - Chicago, IL

**Dates:** 2002 - 2015

**Responsibilities:** Teaching a variety of upper level architectural/interior design courses including: Conceptual Design, Construction Documents, and Senior Year Portfolio.

### Informal Teaching/Volunteer Crit

**Dates:** 2008 - Present

**Locations:** Columbia College - Chicago, IL  
Illinois Institute of Technology - Chicago, IL  
Kansas State University - Manhattan, KS  
School of the Art Institute - Chicago, IL  
The Illinois Institute of Art - Chicago, IL  
University of Illinois at Chicago - Chicago, IL

## Education

University of Illinois at Chicago - Chicago, IL

**Dates:** 1987 - 1991

**Major:** B.S. in Architectural Design

Purdue University Northwest - Hammond, IN

**Dates:** 1985 - 1987

**Major:** Architectural & Engineering Technology

## Supplemental Education

### EXECUTIVE EDUCATION CERTIFICATES

Goldman Sachs 10k SB | Chicago, IL - WI 2019

Loyola University | Chicago, IL - FA 2018

University of California | Berkley, CA - FA 2017

Harvard University | Cambridge, MA - SU 2012

sports



travel



## CliftonStrengths® Top 5:

Developer | Positivity | Futuristic | Learner | Includer