



CALL FOR TEACHING ASSISTANT

Urban95 Studio

The Urban95 Studio project at JUST invites applications for a Teaching Assistant to support the implementation of project.

About the Project

The Urban95 Studio project, funded by the Van Leer Foundation, aims to integrate the needs and experiences of young children and their caregivers into university education related to urban planning, design, health, and the built environment. The project brings together faculty and students from different disciplines to explore how neighborhoods, streets, public spaces, mobility systems, services, and everyday environments can better support the health, development, safety, participation, mobility, play, and well-being of young children and their caregivers.

The project includes the development and delivery of an interdisciplinary elective Urban95 course, a design studio, faculty learning and capacity-building activities, engagement with local stakeholders, and the development of educational tools and resources that can support future teaching and practice.

Role and Responsibilities

The Teaching Assistant will work closely with the Urban95 Studio project team and support the academic, research, and implementation activities of the project.

Responsibilities will include:

- Supporting the preparation and delivery of the Urban95 interdisciplinary course and design studio.
- Assisting with the preparation of lectures, exercises, studio materials, readings, case studies, and other teaching resources.
- Supporting students during studio, fieldwork, research, and project-development activities.
- Conducting literature reviews and background research related to public spaces, children and caregivers, environmental health, urban planning, and child-friendly urban environments.
- Supporting the development of site analysis, mapping, observation, and assessment tools.
- Assisting with field visits, data collection, stakeholder engagement, workshops, and other project activities.
- Supporting the analysis and documentation of findings from fieldwork and student activities.



- Assisting with the preparation of project reports, presentations, publications, educational materials, and the Urban95 toolkit.
- Supporting the organization and documentation of meetings, workshops, and project events.
- Contributing to research and academic outputs developed through the project.
- Providing ongoing academic and logistical support to the project team as required.

Eligibility

Applicants should:

- Have an academic background in Urban Planning or Architecture.
- Be currently enrolled as a Master's student at JUST.
- Have completed all required Master's coursework and be at the thesis or research stage of their degree.
- Demonstrate research experience related to one or more of the following areas: public spaces, environmental health, children and the built environment, child-friendly cities, walkability, mobility, or landscape design.
- Have at least one publication in an indexed peer-reviewed journal related to urban planning, urban design, public spaces, and the built environment.
- Demonstrate prior research experience, including experience with literature reviews, data collection, qualitative or quantitative research, fieldwork, spatial analysis, or other relevant research methods.
- Demonstrate strong academic writing, communication, organization, and documentation skills.
- Be able to work collaboratively within an interdisciplinary project team.
- Have sufficient availability to contribute consistently to project activities, including course support, studio activities, fieldwork, meetings, workshops, research, and preparation of project outputs.
- Should not be currently funded by the university.

Given the collaborative and implementation-focused nature of the project, applicants should carefully consider their ability to participate consistently and contribute directly throughout the project period, particularly alongside any existing academic or work responsibilities.

The Teaching Assistant appointment will be reviewed every four months. Continuation in the position will be subject to satisfactory performance, active contribution to project activities, fulfillment of assigned responsibilities, and the ongoing needs of the project. The project team reserves the right to discontinue the appointment following any review period if these expectations are not met.



Application Requirements

Applicants are requested to submit:

1. CV
2. A short statement describing their research experience and interest in the Urban95 Studio project.
3. A brief description of their Master's research topic and current stage of study.
4. A list of relevant publications and research activities.
5. A writing sample.
6. Project Portfolio: Examples of previous research, fieldwork, mapping, analysis, or other relevant academic work, where applicable.

The project team reserves the right not to select or appoint any applicant if none of the applications sufficiently meet the project's requirements and expectations.

Application Submission

- **Deadline: September 27, 2026**
- Submit to: Dr. Yasmein Okour (Project Manager)
- Submission email: yfokour3@just.edu.jo
- Email subject: Urban95 Studio / Teaching Assistant Application