

Careers

Senior Project Architect



Join our team as an architect in the vibrant City of Kelowna!

Are you a visionary architect ready to shape the future of one of Canada's most breathtaking cities? The City of Kelowna is seeking a Senior Project Architect and invites you to unleash your creativity, leadership, expertise, and passion within our dynamic team. If you have less experience, we encourage you to apply as well—candidates with a lower level and scope of experience may be considered for the Project Architect role. This is your chance to redefine urban living and create community amenities that will stand as a testament to innovation and design excellence.

About us: Kelowna is one of Canada's fastest growing cities. Nestled in the heart of the Okanagan Valley, the City of Kelowna is more than just a place; it's a way of life. With its stunning landscapes, diverse communities, and a commitment to sustainable development, Kelowna offers the perfect canvas for architectural ingenuity. We are a forward-thinking municipality that values creativity, collaboration, pushing boundaries. We prioritize diversity, equity, and inclusion principles, and foster respectful collaborations to celebrate the region's deep history. Kelowna is a city that is defining its' trajectory for the next 50 years, and we're looking for visionary architects to join us on this journey.

The roles: You will be at the forefront of transforming our cityscape. You'll lead the design and execution of visionary projects that seamlessly blend aesthetics, place-making, functionality, and sustainability. Our portfolio ranges from innovative urban spaces that foster a sense of belonging, through unique infrastructure elements critical to successful running of a rapidly growing city, to landmarks that celebrate our city's unique identity. This role isn't just about architecture; it's about creating experiences that inspire and connect.

What you'll do: Translate conflicting priorities across a diverse buildings' portfolio into accepted priorities and feasible project briefs. Select and lead multidisciplinary teams to transform complex design challenges into thoughtful architectural solutions. Collaborate with local communities, stakeholders, and consultants to ensure projects reflect the city's values. Drive innovation by being a thought leader, integrating cutting-edge technologies and sustainable practices into your projects. Mentor and inspire younger staff, fostering a culture of continuous learning and growth.

What you bring: A proven track record of designing and delivering complex architectural projects, ideally in urban environments. Strong leadership and collaboration skills, with the ability to guide teams toward a unified vision. A portfolio that showcases your ability to think beyond convention, infusing creativity into every aspect of your work. Command of architectural software and tools, combined with a deep understanding of design principles and construction techniques. A commitment to sustainable and resilient design that enhances our city's livability and longevity. Excellent verbal and visual communication skills to engage both technical and non-technical stakeholders.

What we offer: Inspiring environment: work in a city that is a draw for artists, entrepreneurs, and outdoor enthusiasts, providing a rich backdrop for your creativity. Impact: shape the city's future, leaving an indelible mark on the community and the lives of its' residents. Collaboration: join a diverse team of professionals who share your passion for innovative design and urban revitalization. Growth: access to continuous learning opportunities, conferences, and workshops to fuel your professional development.

Live, work and play in one of Canada's fastest growing cities. Kelowna boasts miles of lake access, public areas and outdoor recreation opportunities, a vibrant downtown and cultural scene, healthy and connected neighbourhoods, and a world-renowned College and University. You're only a quick link to the world via the Kelowna International Airport. Grow your career in an organization that supports employee work-life balance and career and professional development. The Senior Project Architect exempt position offers a salary range of \$119,800 - \$139,700 and the Project Architect exempt position offers \$112,200 to \$131,000 and both include employer-paid comprehensive benefits, an earned day off program, paid vacation and one of Canada's top pension plans.

The City of Kelowna is committed to being an organization that values and reflects its community's diverse population, and to fostering an equitable, inclusive, and progressive work environment where everyone can be their authentic self and feels a sense of belonging.

For further information or to apply, please check our website at www.kelowna.ca/careers

Applications must be received by end of day **April 6th, 2026**.

Applicants not contacted within three weeks of the closing date are thanked for their interest.