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UMD Team Makes Final Four in HUD's 2019 IAH Competition... Again!





An interdisciplinary team of graduate students from the University of Maryland's School of Architecture, Planning and Preservation landed one of four final slots in the sixth annual HUD Innovation in Affordable Housing (IAH) Student Design and Planning Competition. After beating out over 70 teams from some of the most prestigious graduate programs in the United States, UMD will go head-to-head against University of California-Berkley, Yale University and Virginia Polytechnic and State University on April 17, at HUD's Washington, D.C., office to defend its winning title. UMD has reached the final four each year it has participated in the competition since 2016, winning second place in 2016 and first place last year.

"We are delighted to have made the final four in the three times that we have participated in this very prestigious competition," said **Maria Day-Marshall**, Director of UMD's Real Estate Development Program. "I believe our success is reflected in the interdisciplinary nature of the School of Architecture, Planning and Preservation, and the quality of work of our students."

On Team Maryland is team leader **Kyle Huck** (M.ARCH, MRED); **Casey Huntington** (M.ARCH, MRED);**Lauren Stamm** (M.C.P.); **Andrew Mazer** (M.ARCH); and Nyasha Mandima (MRED). Day-Marshall and Bonstra/Haresign's **Rob McClennan**, AlA, are the team's advisors.

The HUD IAH challenges interdisciplinary, graduate-level teams to address social, economic and environmental issues surrounding a real-world housing problem in the United States by developing innovative and original solutions through development, design and finance. The competition is guided by the philosophy that ideas and innovations from the next generation of professionals are essential in tackling affordable and sustainable housing.

This year, teams are designing a development on a new 2.58-acre site adjacent to the famous River Walk near downtown San Antonio. The San Antonio Housing Authority would like to add to its public housing communities by building approximately 100 new mixed-income workforce dwellings along with commercial mixed-used space and amenities. Teams were asked to maximize diversity in their designs-diversity of uses, diversity of incomes and diversity of unit sizes. The first round of the competition required schematics and a preliminary pro forma.

"Our team is thrilled to be able to continue to participate as finalists," Huck said. "We have invested significant time and effort into crafting a unique proposal to respond to the site's specific needs. It has been a great opportunity for us to work in an interdisciplinary environment and we look forward to continuing to improve our design."

The teams will refine their projects and produce more detail in the weeks leading up to the competition, aided by a site visit in early March. The first place team is awarded \$20,000. To learn more about HUD's IAH competition, visit their website.

PALS Corridor Study in Essex, Maryland



Pat Keller, Ashley Palmer, Akiel Pyant, Xingchen Liu, Osedeba Okojie, Catherine Roach, Melina Duggal, Wendi Peters

On January 22nd, graduate students from the Colvin Institute of Real Estate Development, shown here with instructor, Melina Duggal, presented their market study of commercial corridors in Essex, MD. The project was part of the UMD's Partnership for Action Learning in Sustainability (PALS) program, which assists Maryland communities in becoming more environmentally, economically and socially sustainable. They are joined in the picture by Wendi Peters, Maryland Special Secretary of Smart Growth, and Pat Keller, Maryland Assistant Secretary for Planning Services.

Innovation and Entrepreneurship in Real Estate Awards

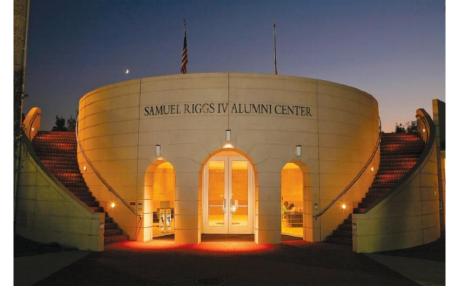
The 5th Annual Innovation & Entrepreneurship in Real Estate Awards Gala will take place on March 5, 2019 with a special presentation from **Matt Slepin**, *Leading Voices in Real Estate Podcast*, and **Cedric Bobo**, Cofounder of Project Destined.

Please join Interim Dean Donald Linebaugh, Architecture, Planning & Preservation, Dean Alexander Triantis, Smith School of Business, and Dean Darryll Pines, Clark School of Engineering, as we recognize the contributions of our honorees towards innovation and entrepreneurship in Real Estate Development.

The 2019 Honorees are:

- Robert Rauch, Principal, Rauch Inc., Former Director of Public Works, and Talbot County Engineer
- Raymond Skinner, Former President of East Baltimore Development, Inc. and Former Maryland Secretary of Housing
- W. Christopher Smith, Chairman and CEO, WC Smith
- Somerset Development, Somerset Development Company, LLC

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MRED Alumni Profile: Andre' Mayers



André Mayers graduated from Howard University in 2008, majoring in Architecture. He completed a Master in Real Estate Development from the University of Maryland, College Park and graduated in 2012. André currently works as a Development Manager at FD Stonewater, a boutique real estate brokerage, investment, development and asset management firm in the Washington D.C. Metropolitan area. There he provides project management leadership and oversight for development projects. Additional

responsibilities include running pro forma financials, building strong relationships with partners, tenants and other professionals in the DC market, and preparing presentations and proposals in response to requests for qualifications/proposals. André is also a member of NAIOP.

He says, "My future goal is to practice real estate development globally. This program provided me insight into the real estate development process from start to finish. It also explained complicated financial processes that I had no exposure to. I was able to merge the knowledge gained within the program with my construction and design background to build a much stronger professional resume."

