

Michael Compton, ACHA, AIA, EDAC

I craft stories through space—using architecture as a medium to comfort, inspire, and heal. As a board-certified Healthcare Architect (ACHA), my work focuses on creating environments that support patients and families with positive distractions and evidence-based design.

With a deep foundation in both academic research and hands-on experience, I've led projects from the very first client conversation to final construction. I'm also an EDAC Accredited Professional and a passionate advocate for evidence-based design, sharing its principles through both practice and teaching in the design community.

I'm passionate about uncovering and creating opportunities to tell a compelling story through the architectural experience of each occupant. I excel at taking abstract challenges and translating them into clear, multidisciplinary criteria—working hand-in-hand with clients to craft thoughtful, integrated solutions that go beyond expectations. By deeply understanding project goals—whether related to programs, code, or budget—and weaving in cutting-edge research and innovative design strategies, I aim to deliver spaces that not only meet functional needs but also enrich the lives of those who use them.

EXPERIENCE

Client Service Leader – Healthcare Architecture

Barge Design Solutions 2024-Present

As a Client Service Leader for Healthcare Architecture at Barge Design Solutions, I focus on building lasting relationships with healthcare clients and driving strategic growth within the market.

- I lead business development efforts
- help align project delivery with client goals
- work closely with our internal teams to ensure we provide innovative, patient-centered design solutions.

My role is all about connecting client needs with our expertise—delivering value, quality, and trust every step of the way.

Acute Care Studio Leader (WFD/EFD)

AdventHealth – Office of Design and Construction 2021-2024

I lead with AdventHealth's core values—Integrity, Compassion, Balance, Excellence, Stewardship, and Teamwork—guiding every project I oversaw.

- Manage capital improvement budgets across 12 hospitals, totaling over \$1B, with a strong focus on operational impact, risk mitigation, and strategic budget development.
- From concept to completion
 - I lead project evaluations
 - oversee bidding and negotiations

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- implement control processes to ensure projects stay on scope
 - delivered projects on time, and within budget
 - coordinate closely with ODC Project Coordinators
 - regularly visit job sites
 - maintain strict adherence to departmental standards.
- managed vendor, consultant, and subcontractor performance
 - ensuring compliance with contract and specification requirements
 - oversee RFIs and Change Orders to keep projects aligned with AdventHealth's goals for quality and efficiency.

OTHER ARCHITECTURAL EXPERIENCES

RS&H/Orlando	2014-2021
GS/Jacksonville	2008-2014
UF Facilities Services /Gainesville	2005-2008
RTKL/Washington DC	2003-2005
HDR/Alexandria	2001-2003
Leete & Leete Architects/Daytona	1995-2000

*Project Types and Client List available upon request

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Professor of Architecture

University of Central Florida (UCF) 2018-Present

As an Adjunct Professor of Architecture at the University of Central Florida, I contribute to the academic and professional development of students through engaging, practice-informed instruction. I design and deliver coursework in architectural design, theory, and technology, while fostering a studio culture that emphasizes creativity, critical thinking, and interdisciplinary collaboration. Drawing on professional experience, I mentor students, provide constructive feedback, and support the program's mission to shape future leaders in architecture who are innovative, socially responsible, and technically proficient.

SPECIFIC TEACHING EXPERIENCE

ARC 3320L Architectural Design 5
ARC 3321L Architectural Design 6
ARC 3610 Environmental Technology I
ARC 4332L Architectural Design 7

Adjunct Professor of Architecture

Valencia College 2019-Present

As an Adjunct Professor of Architecture at Valencia College, I provide student-centered instruction that blends foundational architectural principles with real-world applications. I lead design studios and lecture courses that emphasize critical thinking, technical skills, and creative problem-solving. Through personalized mentorship and collaborative

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learning environments, I help prepare students for transfer to accredited architecture programs or entry into the professional field. My teaching reflects Valencia's commitment to academic excellence, inclusion, and empowering diverse learners to succeed in the built environment.

SPECIFIC TEACHING EXPERIENCE

ARC 1301C ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN 1
ARC 1302C ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN 2
ARC 1701 HISTORY OF ARCHITECTURE 1
ARC 2303C ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN 3
ARC 2304C ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN 4
ARC 2461 MATERIALS & METHODS OF CONSTRUCTION I
ARC 2801 INTRO TO DIGITAL ARCHITECTURE

OTHER TEACHING EXPERIENCES

Art Institute of Jacksonville

Department of Interior Design **Florida State College Jacksonville**

Department of Interior Design **University of Florida**, College of Design, Construction, and Planning

School of Architecture **University of Florida**, College of Design, Construction, and Planning

EDUCATION

University of Florida

Master of Architecture, 2008

Bachelor of Design, 2001

Daytona Beach Community College

Associate of Arts, 1995

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

ASSOCIATION OF MEDICAL FACILITY PROFESSIONALS

Member, 2021-Present

AMERICAN COLLEGE OF HEALTHCARE ARCHITECTS

Member, 2019-Present

Certification Committee 2019-Present

AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

Member, 2004-Present

Orlando Component Board of Directors member

Immediate Past President 2023

President 2022

VP/President Elect, 2021

Treasurer, 2020

Director at Large, 2019

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AAH Committee Chair, 2018

North Florida Component Board of Directors member

Treasurer, 2017

Secretary, 2016

Director, 2015

Florida AAH Founding member, 2016

Committee On The Environment member 2008-2017

United States Green Building Council

National Public Advocacy Committee, 2008-2015

North Florida Chapter 2013-2015

Board of Director 2015

National Capital Region, 2003-2005 UF Chapter, 1999-2001

International Interior Design Association

Member 2001-2005

Co-chair of Cross-Issues Forum, 2003-2005

VP of Communications, 2004-2005

UF Student Government

Architecture College Council, 1997-2001 President, 2000-2001

American Society of Interior Designers Student Chapter, 1997-2001

AWARDS

- Finalist
 - *Behavioral HealthCare Competition*, **Institute for Patient Centered Design**, Oct. 2015, Lead Designer
- Finalist
 - *Pediatric Cancer Care Competition*, **Institute for Patient Centered Design**, Oct. 2014
- Excellence Award for Built Design
 - Jim W. Henderson Welcome and Administration Center at Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, **AIA Jacksonville**, MAY 2013
- Global Green Award Outstanding Project
 - Phoebe Sumter Medical Center, **USGBC North Florida Chapter**, MAY 2013
- Commitment to Excellence Award
 - **GS&P**, 2012
- Finalist
 - *Small Hospital Big Idea Competition*, **Kaiser Permanente** 2011
- Outstanding academic distinction
 - **UF School of Architecture**, Academic Award, APR 2007
- Award for Excellence
 - Pentagon, **PENREN**, MAR 2003
- Citation Award

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- **United States Air Force**, Patrick Air Force Base, March 2003
- Pathfinders Award for Creativity
 - **HDR**, March 2003
- Pathfinders Award for Excellence
 - Pentagon Wedge Renovation Team, **HDR**, March 2003

PUBLICATION/PRESENTATIONS

Fierce Healthcare, Podnosis Podcast, AUG 2025

Healthcare Construction + Operations, "How the Florida Healthcare System Can Prep for Booming Retirement Projections" JUN 2025

Medical Construction and Design, "Rethinking ROI" NOV-DEC 2013

College of DCP Perspective, "Teaching Sustainability" 2006/2007

IIDA Bridge, "Member Profile" Volume 3 Issue 3, September 2002

IIDA Bridge, "Responsible Options Offered at Green Materials Workshop of Flooring Materials" Volume 3 Issue 2, May 2002

IIDA Bridge, "Responsible Options Offered at Green Materials Workshop of Millwork" Volume 2 Issue 3, October 2001

PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATIONS

REGISTERED ARCHITECT, FL 96916

LICENSED INTERIOR DESIGNER, FL ID5524

REGISTERED ARCHITECT, GA RA016035

ACHA CERTIFICATION, 0681

NCARB CERTIFICATION NO. 77424

EDAC NO. CHD-04-2806

LEED ACCREDITED PROFESSIONAL, NO. 10112190

NCIDQ CERTIFICATION NO. 019644