

STATEMENTS

**ACADEMIC SENATE ELECTION 2010-2013
SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE
FULL-TIME FACULTY & ALL CHAIRS**

FULL-TIME FACULTY: 1 CANDIDATE FOR 2 SEATS
NOMINEE STATEMENTS

**David Ruy, Associate Professor
Graduate Architecture and Urban Design
Full-time Faculty, School of Architecture**

David Ruy is an architect, theorist, and co-director of Ruy Klein, an experimental design office in New York City. The work of Ruy Klein has been widely published and exhibited, and is recognized as one of the most respected speculative practices in architecture today. David's work and research examines contemporary design problems at the intersection of architecture, nature, and technology. With extensive experience at many academic institutions, David has taught at every level of graduate and post-graduate programs in architecture. David recently joined The Pratt Institute in Fall 2009 as a full-time faculty member. David is an Associate Professor in the Graduate School of Architecture at the Pratt Institute (GAUD), where he is also the director of The Network for Emerging Architectural Research (NEAR). David currently teaches advanced graduate design studios and electives.

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CHAIRS: 2 CANDIDATES FOR 1 SEAT
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**John Shapiro, Chair
Graduate Center for Planning and the Environment
Graduate Chairs, School of Architecture**

I would consider it an honor to continue to serve as one of the six School of Architecture representatives on the Academic Senate, and as one of two candidates (the other is Harriet Markis) from the Programs for Sustainable Planning and Development – which is comprised of the City and Regional Planning, Construction / Facilities Management, Environmental Systems Management, and Historic Preservation programs.

I came to Pratt with passions for (1) Pratt’s new commitment to sustainability, (2) the CRP’s historic role as one of the most progressive and creative planning programs in the nation, and (3) inter-disciplinary collaboration as key to success in academia (as well as sustainability and urbanism).

That composite outlook underlined my participation this year on the Academic Senate. As one example: I helped forestall shutting the campus to the public with only the two roadway entrances; instead, the campus will be open to the public 7 AM to 7 PM, and the Hall / DeKalb entrance will be open 24 hours, with security guards who also provide “eyes on the street” looking down Hall to Higgins.

This example illustrates the relevance of the Senate in shaping Institute policy, whatever its new powers are in light of the Governance debates now playing out. It also illustrates how I hope to prompt reasonableness and community, Institute-wide.