

# BRETT VAN ZEE

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## EXPERIENCE

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- 05/2013 - current    **Director and Architect, *INVISION Architecture***
- Responsible, as architect of record, for projects with construction values up to \$35M
  - Manage large, diverse projects, through successful concept, design and construction, while maintaining healthy working relationships with clients, contractors and partners
  - Support partners of the firm in identifying and carrying out vision of the future, with a focus on leading the education target market
  - Mentor and lead staff to achieve personal and professional success
  - Lead proactive team scheduling and staffing efficiency for 60+ people in two locations working on a variety of project types and scales; effectively understand the skills and interests of staff to create collaborative, successful teams
  - Inform the board of hiring needs, staff changes and project schedule information
- 05/2004 – 5/2013    **Intern Architect, *INVISION Architecture***
- Aided in 500% growth in staff over 10 years in the Des Moines office location
  - Created, modeled and detailed architectural designs, developing a focus on education
- 05/2004 – 12/2004    **Intern Architect, *FEH Associates***
- Modeled and detailed architectural documents for projects of varying scope and scale

## EDUCATION

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- 9/1999 – 5/2004    **BA, Major in Architecture and Minor in Liberal Arts and Studies, *Drury University***

## CIVIC LEADERSHIP

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- 12/2010 – current    **Hope Lutheran Church**
- Active member of choir, long-standing educator in youth Sunday school program, and an active volunteer in vacation bible school
- 06/2013 – current    **YMCA**
- Active leaders and certified Level 1 official for the YMCA Swim Club
- 08/2014 – current    **West Des Moines Schools Clive Learning Academy Parent Teacher Organization**
- Active member and leadership role on the fundraising committee