New Buildings Institute Senior Fellows Program

New Buildings Institute (NBI) Senior Fellows are industry luminaries that have provided a significant contribution to energy efficiency and carbon reduction through their leadership, dedication, and ground breaking work. These energy efficiency and green building leaders can serve as ambassadors, representing and supporting NBI’s mission and collaborating with NBI partners to advance energy efficiency and carbon emissions reductions throughout the built environment.

Requirements for NBI Senior Fellows

SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE FOCUS. Combine strategic business and professional knowledge with experience; provide insights from understanding functional and business realities and industry needs.

COLLABORATIVE RELATIONSHIP WITH MARKET. Partners with and shapes the thinking of influential thought leaders and implementers.

IMPACTS AND MEASURES. Demonstrates impacts with functions across their organization and externally. Identifies key indicators of value and strategic objectives.

INDUSTRY REPRESENTATION AND DIVERSITY. Represents a cross section of individuals involved with improving the built environment. Does not have current conflict or competition with NBI.

NBI ENGAGEMENT. Supports NBI’s mission and promotes our work. Attends one to two NBI Senior Fellow events per year. Participates in two conference calls per year. Responds to requests to independently (or in coordination with other Senior Fellows) advise NBI, provide market insight, or participate in NBI webinars or other events.

TRANSFORMATIVE. Has made significant contributions to industry thought leadership either directly or indirectly through their work.

Benefits of Fellowship

- Connect and engage with a select group of influential market leaders.
- Participate in Senior Fellow-related events.
- Build synergies, share timely information, and find new solutions.
- Demonstrate to the market that you meet the highest standards of excellence in our industry.
- Use of a professional designation and logo.
- Access to NBI research.
- Opportunity to write blogs for NBI websites.
- Cross promotion of Senior Fellow’s work that overlaps with NBI.

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Current NBI Senior Fellows

For more information on the current Senior Fellows, visit: newbuildings.org/about-nbi/#fellows

Senior Fellows since 2022

Kelly Cunningham,
Program Manager, Codes and Standards,
Pacific Gas & Electric

Erica Dunn,
Director of Design,
Green Hammer

Mark Frankel,
Principal, Ecotope

Sheila Hayter,
Laboratory Program Manager,
National Renewable Energy Laboratory

Duane Jonlin,
Energy Code and Energy Conservation Advisor, City of Seattle

Mandy Lee,
Senior Program Manager,
Emerald Cities Collaborative

Sarah Talkington,
Commercial Green Building Manager,
Austin Energy

William Nesmith,
Energy/Environment Consultant

Senior Fellows prior to 2019

Douglas Baston,
President, North Atlantic Energy Advisors

Jan Berman,
Grid Innovation Director, Pacific Gas & Electric

Charles Eley,
Retired Eley Associate

Dian Grueneich,
Precourt Energy Scholar,
Stanford University

David Hewitt,
Retired New Buildings Institute

Vivian Loftness,
Professor of Architecture,
Carnegie Mellon University

Michael McAteer,
Retired National Grid

RK Stewart,
Principal Consultant, RK Stewart Consultants, FAIA

Senior Fellows since 2020

Bronwyn Barry,
Board Member, North American Passive House Network (NAPHN)

David Kaneda,
Principal, IDeAs Consulting

Alexis Karolides,
Principal, Point Energy Innovations

Katrin Klingenberg,
Executive Director,
U.S. Passive House Institute

Anica Landreneau,
Sustainable Design Director, HOK

Vinh Mason,
Senior Energy Policy Advisor,
City of Portland

Debbie Weyl,
Deputy Director, WRI-U.S., World Resources Institute

New Buildings Institute is a nonprofit organization driving better energy performance in buildings to make them better for people and the environment. We work collaboratively with industry market players—governments, utilities, energy efficiency advocates, and building professionals—to promote advanced design practices, innovative technologies, public policies, and programs that improve energy efficiency.

Learn more: newbuildings.org