

## BEN F. BIGELOW

### EMPLOYMENT:

July 2017 to Present - The University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK.

Director & Associate Professor: Haskell & Irene Lemon Construction Science Division

- Haskell & Irene Lemon Chair in Construction Leadership
- Member of the College of Architecture executive team
- Direct responsibility for 5 programs, 300+ students
- Oversaw student population grow by 55%
- 100% internship placement & 95% full-time job placement of students
- Over \$1,000,000 in development/fund raising
- Over \$220,000 in workforce development project funding
- Led and maintained a professional advisory board
- 12 publications on workforce development and/or education
  - 2 Best paper awards
- 8 courses, 21 sections, 649 students taught
- Faculty advisor for two student groups
- Student competition team coach
- 2022 Outstanding collaborator award winner
- 2021 Launched new online degree program
- 2020 Launched new certificate program
- 2019 Led program reaccreditation
- 2017 Led two Hurricane Harvey service-learning clean up trips

September 2011 to June 2017 - Texas A&M University, College Station, TX.

Assistant Professor (2013-2017); Lecturer Tenure Track (2012) Visiting Assistant

Lecturer (2011): Department of Construction Science

- 2015-2017 Graduate Program Coordinator
- Member of the department administrative leadership team
- Center for Housing and Urban Development Fellow
- Seagraves Residential Construction Fellow
- \$75,000 in fund raising
- Over \$150,000 in workforce development project funding
- 8 publications on workforce development and/or education
- 9 courses, 35 sections, 910 students taught
- Student competition team coach
- 2017 Assoc. of Former Students - Distinguished Achievement Award - Teaching
- 2017 & 2015 Recognized by the Veteran Support Program
- 2017 Led program reaccreditation
- 2017 Led mobile medical clinic construction
- 2017 Departmental research award winner
- 2016, & 2014 Led tiny house construction
- 2015 Fluor Educator of the year

## **EMPLOYMENT CONT.**

September 2008 to May 2011 - Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO  
Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Construction Management

- 4 courses, 22 sections, 793 students taught
- 2011 Best Teacher Nominee
- 2009 ACCE Dupree Construction Education/National Housing Endowment Scholarship
- Student competition team coach

September 2007 to May 2008 - Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ  
Graduate Teaching Assistant, Del E Webb School of Construction

- L.C. Jacobson Graduate Fellowship

June 2005 to August 2007 - Centex Homes, Arizona Division  
Field Manager III

- Built over 120 homes “Energy Star” rated homes
- Trained and mentored new hires
- Developed field manager training course
- Recognized for customer service and production performance

January 2004 to May 2004  
Centex Homes, Dallas TX, Intern

- Awarded 1<sup>st</sup> bonus to an intern

2000 to Present

Ben’s Contracting, TX, AZ, CO, & OK, Owner

- Business development
- Bidding & Estimating
- All types of residential construction work (self-performance & subcontracting)
- Expert witness
- Private consulting

## **EDUCATION:**

Ph.D. Education and Human Resource Studies, December 2012  
Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO

- Dissertation: Perceived Effects of Student Participation in Construction Management Competitions

M.S. Construction Management, May 2008  
Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ

- Thesis: Who’s On Your Molecule (a leadership study)

B.S. Construction Science, May 2005  
Texas A&M University, College Station, TX

### **AWARDS, RECOGNITIONS, & OTHER ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

- 2022. Committee Chair - Construct My Future OKC
- 2022. Judge – AGC Texas Building Branch Awards
- 2022, 2021. Judge - TEXO Distinguished Building Awards
- 2021. Interviewer – Francis Tuttle, Melrose Program mock interview day
- 2021. Featured Expert - Zippia.com current job market trends
- 2021. Co-creator - New NAHB student competition category
- 2020-Present. Committee Member – AGC OK Workforce Development Committee
- 2020. Guest - The Construction Leadership Podcast with Bradley Hartman, Ep. 24
- 2020. Judge - 405HOME Magazine Home of the Year
- 2019, 2013. Presenter – International Builder’s Show Education Sessions
- 2019, 2017, 2014, Instructor - International Builder’s Show Pre-show Education
- 2017. Instructor. Colorado Homebuilding Academy – HBI RCS
- 2017. Excellence in Teaching Award; Associated Schools of Construction Region V
- 2016. Committee Member - NAHB Young Professionals Committee
- 2016. Outstanding Educator Award; NAHB
- 2015-Present. Assoc. Editor – Intl. Journal of Construction Education and Research
- 2015, 2014. Member - NAHB Gen X Gen Y working group
- 2014, 2007, 2005, & 2004. Playhouse Builder - Court Appointed Special Advocates
- 2014. Host - NAHB National Quality Council Meeting
- 2014. Builder - Elder-Aid wheelchair ramp construction
- 2013. Member – NAHB Education Committee
- 2012-Present. Member – NAHB Student Chapters Advisory Board
- 2012-Present. Member - NAHB Student Chapters, Competition Sub-Committee
  - 2015-2017. Sub-Committee Chair
- 2003. Walked on to the Texas A&M Football Team
- Fluent in Spanish