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Placemaker

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education

2017-2019

Pratt Institute

Master of Science, Urban
Placemaking and Management
GPA: 3.96

- *awards*: \$5000 scholarship per semester, UPM Excellence in Academic Achievement Award

2012-2014

University of Calgary

Master of Planning, Faculty of
Environmental Design (EVDS)
GPA: 3.96

- *awards*: Queen Elizabeth II Graduate Scholarship, 2012, 2014, awarded to the top 10 percent of eligible graduate students; Alberta Graduate Student Scholarship, 2014

2006-2010

University of Toronto

Hon. Bachelor of Arts
GPA: 3.84

- *awards*: Provost Scholar, awarded to the top 10 percent of Trinity graduating students by discipline; Dean's List, all years, graduating with High Distinction in November 2010; Chancellor's Scholarship, 2007, 2008, 2009

tools

Microsoft Word, Excel,
Powerpoint // Adobe
Illustrator, InDesign //
Facebook, Instagram,
Twitter

work experience

2018-2019

Perkins Eastman

Architectural Fellow for the Public Realm

- generated white paper, including graphics, based on critical research and design thinking to demonstrate tactics for cooling public spaces
- following weekly meetings with senior designers, presented final concepts for summer cooling in the public realm to 80 staff members
- developed materials for presentation and upcoming white paper on the definition, design and increasing development of "fourth places"
- continue to develop original design research and strategies with a particular focus on personality types and the built environment

2018-2019

Brooklyn Bridge Park Consultation Project

Graduate Assistant, Pratt Institute

- successfully completed a year-long engagement process to design the final undeveloped section of the park located directly under the bridge
- organized and facilitated a community workshop with over 100 attendees representing a variety of community groups and interests
- designed the layout and compiled text, images and graphics for the final 90 page "vision" report that was shared with our two client groups

2014-2017

City of Calgary

Planner 1; Planner 2

- acted as the Policy Planner responsible for policy research, development and engagement for the South Hill TOD Station Area Plan
- led approvals team responsible for review, approval and release of over 40 public school priority development permits, utilized strong organizational skills, achieving outcomes on time or ahead of schedule
- developed skills in planning related tasks, including development permit (DP) approvals, land use redesignations, Calgary Planning Commission and Council report writing and presentations

2013

Office of the University Architect, University of Calgary

Intern

- initiated the development of public art policy based on research of successful processes in other jurisdictions and discussions with both internal/external stakeholders and local experts
- drafted policies and guiding documents including the Deaccessioning Standards, Terms of Reference for Public Space Committee, Application to Install Work or Object in Public Space, and a Request for Qualifications for the Taylor Institute Public Art Project

select intl. experience

EVDS Melbourne Exchange |
Melbourne, Australia | 2014

- completed final urban design studio credit at RMIT University
- developed a conceptual Master Plan for large industrial precinct in central Melbourne
- worked with Rob Adams and the City of Melbourne to create a draft structure plan for the historic Queen Victoria Market precinct

U of T Study Abroad, The City as
Problem and Promise: Berlin as a Case
Study | Berlin, Germany | 2010

awards

- **2019 Mayor's Urban Design Awards (Honourary Mention)**
- **d.talks :: Movement Design Competition finalist**
- **2016 National Urban Design Award**
- **2015 Mayor's Urban Design Award**

credentials

Canadian Institute of Planners

Member of the Canadian Institute of Planners (MCIP)

Alberta Professional Planners Institute

Registered Professional Planner (RPP)

volunteer experience

2013-present

The Bench Project

Co-founder

- design, assemble and anonymously place benches at favourite local businesses along a number of Calgary's main streets
- received local and national design awards as well as significant media coverage for unique approach to placemaking and community building

2014-present

17th Avenue Pocket Park

Co-founder

- successfully secured a \$300,000 City Council innovation grant to build a "pocket park" along one of Calgary's most visited main streets
- assist with site analysis, environmental analysis and design of layout, seating options and materials
- organized and executed numerous engaging and innovative design workshops with community members

2015-2017

d.talks

Volunteer

- appointed to editorial board of the FOLD online publication to contribute content and edit submissions
- managed the design development and build of 3 architectural "pods" for events
- co-facilitated d.talk's satellite team responsible for the selection of an urban design and architecture feature section at Shelf Life Books

2015-2016

**EXTRACTION: Official Selection, Canada, 2016
Venice Architecture Biennale**

Regional Planner, Alberta

- organized meetings and collaborated with key stakeholders and experts from Alberta to inform a new dialogue on Canada's extraction industries

conferences

2019

**Environmental Design Research Association
Annual National Conference (EDRA50)**

Speaker

- presented foundational design research on the "fourth place"

2017

**Canadian Institute of Planners Annual National
Conference (Topic: Resiliency)**

Speaker

- presented to over 100 professional planners on the role of tactical urbanism in resolving current planning challenges