CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education & Academic Employment

EDUCATION

1988 California State Polytechnic University Pomona,

Bachelor of Science in Landscape Architecture Senior Design Award, School of Environmental Science Representative

1986 Graduate Research Assistant, Community for Regenerative

studies, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

2012

University of Southern California, School of Architecture

2011 Visiting Critic

University of Southern California, School of Architecture

Publications (Chapters and Contributions)

2012

The Car in 2035: Mobility Planning for the near Future Engaging exploration of the challenges created by the uneven pace of changes in the design and technology of vehicles versus the evolution of Southern California's land use, social, regulatory and infrastructural context

2011

Planning Los Angeles – American Planning Association p. 240 – 243 - Reestablishing the Connection with Physical Planning and Design. Despite the city's reputation for spontaneous evolution, a deliberate planning process shapes the

way Los Angeles looks and lives.

2011

Model Design Manual for Living Streets.
Ch 13 and Ch 15 - This effort was funded by the Department of Health and Human Services through the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health and the UCLA Luskin Center for Innovation. This manual focuses on all users and all modes, seeking to achieve balanced street design that accommodates cars while ensuring that pedestrians, cyclists and transit users can travel safely and comfortably. This manual also incorporates features to make streets lively, beautiful, economically vibrant as well as environmentally sustainable

A New Infrastructure, Innovative Transit Solutions for Los

Angeles.

2009

SCI-Arc's inaugural Future Initiatives competition. The competition was inspired by LA County Measure R—a half cent sales tax that promises up to \$40 billion in transit funding in coming decades. It drew 75 proposals from architecture firms and students throughout the U.S. and from four other countries.

Lectures Conferences and Presentations

INVITED LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS

Harvard Building Soft (a new landscape infrastructure for Los Angeles)

Cornell The Grand Avenue Project (Cornell Case Studies in Urban Development)

Cal-Poly Pomona – Introduction to Public Realm (Environmental Studies)

Cal-Poly SLO Synthesizing the capacity of Los Angeles' infrastructure

USC Mobility City (Metro systems ongoing expansion under the 30/10 plan initiative)

Downtown Guide & Streets Standards (Urban Design Project)

Downtown Los Angeles Linkages

Downtown Design Guides (Mike Smart Studio Bicycles and Pedestrians) **UCLA**

OTHER INVITED LECTURES

- USC XD Landscape Urbanism: Recalibrating the Megalopolis
- Pratt Institute Culture, Planning and, Community Engagement

OTHER PRESENTATIONS

- Breakfast Club
 - o Los Angeles, Not New York, is the Nation's Most Dense City
- Community Health Council
 - Reimagining Empty Space
- Southern California Development Forum
 - o Retail and Entertainment Program 2013
 - Mix-Use Projects 2012
- City of Dallas, TX
 - What's with Those Urban Design Studios 2012
 - Urban Design Matters 2011
 - o Urban Emergence in Dallas 2011
- Good Magazine
 - A New Infrastructure

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- American Planning Association
 - o Fast, Furious, and Passionate Car 2035 (Boston, MA)
 - o Municipal Design Studios (City of Dallas, at APA Los Angeles 2012)
- American Institute of Architects
 - o Mobius LA Dwell on Design (Los Angeles, CA 2008, 2009, 2010)
- American Society of Landscape Architects
 - Urban Acupuncture: Approaches to Creating Open Space in Urbanized Los Angeles (San Diego, CA)
 - In-Between Spaces: Reclaiming Public Space in the Metropolis Green Alleys, and Green Streets Program (Phoenix, AZ)
 - Re-Engineering the Streets of Los Angeles (Chicago, IL)
- Rail-Volution
 - Block by Block: A Human Scale Approach to Redevelopment) (Boston, MA)
- Urban Land Institute
 - o The Car in 2035: Mobility Planning for the Near Future (Los Angeles, CA)
 - Fall Meeting and Urban Land Expo (Los Angeles, CA)
- Los Angeles Neighborhood Initiative
 - o Getting to Green: Implementing Green Streets 2012
 - o Urban Accupuncture 2011
 - Re-Thinking Alleys: Transforming Concrete Connectors into Urban Ammenities 2009
 - o Bicycling in Los Angeles, What every cyclist needs to know 2008

Courses Taught

ARCH 533	The City in Nature (Guest Lecturer) Develops awareness and understanding about nature systems with cities by examining how city making is influenced by natural systems and vice versa
ARCH 642L	Place in the Making: Little Tokyo (Visiting Critic) Speaks to both the past and a possible future and takes into particular consideration the site's location as it relates to the nearby Los Angeles River, and the site's natural history.
DDR 698b	Directed Research I frequently serve as an official advisor for graduate students' independent research projects. I have advised students from urban planning, architecture, and landscape architecture.
DDR 642	Directed Design Research Project/Thesis (Studio/Thesis Prep) While I serving as chair/member on a selection of student DDR or thesis committees.

MASTER'S RESEARCH PROJECTS

Ashley Hart (MLA 2012)
Robin Abad Ocubillo (MLA 2012)
Zhu Yilang (MLA 2012)
Qi Lian (MLA 2013)
Wang Yichen (MLA 2013

Committee Chair
Committee Chair
Committee Chair
Committee Member

MASTER'S INDEPENDENT RESEARCH PROJECTS

Connie Chauv Open Space Design Guidelines for Downtown Los Angeles.

UCLA Urban Planning

Stephen Lee 10 Mile Loop, Urban Trails, Central Los Angeles.

University of California, Berkeley

Steven Sampson Grey to Green Reuse of Excess Roadway.

UCLA Urban Planning

Hidee Van Ostroom Heat Islands. University of California Irvine

David Dixon Rethinking Los Angeles Auto Mall.

University of California Urban Planning

Jaymes Dunsmore Transit Oriented Development Typologies.

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Carter Rubin Curbing Downtown Parking Requirements.

UCLA Urban Planning

GUEST CRITICS - Final Project Reviews (Various)

I have served as a Guest Critic and/or Subject Matter Expert on a number of occasions giving advise to several interdisciplinary Graduate and undergraduate student work.

- UCLA
- USC
- SCI-ARC
- California State Polytechnic Pomona
- California State Polytechnic San Luis Obispo

Development Projects

The City Planning Commission requires all discretionary projects to be reviewed or evaluated by the Urban Design Studio. Some of the most notable examples include:

LA Events Center
The Grove
The Hollywood Millennium Project
JH Palmer – Lorenzo Project
The Wilshire Grand Development
The Broad (by right)

Technical Advisory Groups

Transit Oriented Districts Typologies for Los Angeles

Arroyo Seco Parkway Study

Park 101 Project (Awarded SCAG Compass Blueprint Grant on 3 separate occasions)

Red Fields to Green Fields Streets for People Program

Parklets

Exposition Line Study Creating Successful Transit Oriented Districts in Los Angeles

Various Community Plans within the City of Los Angeles

Broadway Arts Center Working Group

Leadership, Service Activities & Affiliations

2007 – Present	Design Control Board – Marina Del Rey (Commissioner)
2008 – Present	Bring Back Broadway
2009 – Present	Green Street Committee
2009 – Present	Pedestrian Advisory Group

2010 – Present Streets Standards Committee

2000 – 2004 Huntington Library and Botanic Gardens

1995 – 1998 Planning Department Advisory Affirmative Action Committee

International Delegation Participations

China – Urban Design Implementation Strategies

Korea – Urban Design in Los Angeles

Singapore – Shaping the Built Enviroment

Austria - Meet the Urbanization Challenge

Canada - Forward Motion: Advancing Mobility in California and Quebec

Honors & Awards

Various Honors A portfolio of awards and commendations is available upon

request.

Professional References

Available upon request