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EDUCATION

The New School: PhD Candidate, Urban Policy. *2014-*

The New School: Master of Philosophy, Urban Policy. *2017*

California State Polytechnic University: Master of Urban and Regional Planning. *2011*

University of Southern California: Certificate: Historic Preservation. *2010*

University of California Santa Barbara: Bachelor of Arts, Architectural History & Criticism. *2008*

EXPERIENCE

Current

MTA- New York City Transit-Operations Planning: *2014-Present*

New York, NY

Principal Transportation Planner

- Review elected officials, transit advocacy groups and constituent suggestions on ways to improve the operation planning side of New York City's public transit system (subway and buses) by investigating and responding to such correspondences on behalf of the chief of the Division of Operations Planning.
- Research and draft reports on various subway lines through data analysis, including the A/C & 2/5 trains to help improve overall service safety and efficiency by repositioning stopping positions, benches, station circulation flows and communication (signage and way finding) within subway stations.
- Responsible for effectively completing all aspects of the Internal Control process in coordination with all actors who are involved in testing activities during a given year as well as overseeing the Employee Suggestion Program.

Previous

New York University-Steinhardt-Department of Nutrition and Food Studies Department: *2016-2017*

New York, NY

Scientific & Organizational Committee Member

- Organized the "CityFood: A Political and Cultural History of the Street Vendor in the Global City" symposium.
- Peer Review abstracts and papers submitted to be presented and determined which should be published in specialized journal.

California Department of Transportation- District 7: *2011-2013*

Los Angeles, CA

Associate Environmental Planner/ Architectural Historian

- Researched and drafted Historic Resource Environmental Reports, Historic Property Survey Reports and identified effected cultural resources for projects throughout California including: High Desert Corridor and I-5 Widening, Hollywood Central Park, 710 Gap Closure, 4-Level Interchange and the 1st Street Viaduct. Responsibilities for such projects also included: defining the APE and creating the vicinity, location and APE maps and complete Department of Park and Recreation forms.
- Conducted reviews of complex land development proposals and actions to identify transportation facilities and service improvements needed for existing and planned Transit Oriented Development.
- Reviewed environmental reports that were outsourced to consultants and oversee all correspondence until such reports are completed.

Galvin Preservation Associates: *2010- 2011*

Los Angeles, CA

Architectural Historian / Environmental Planner

- Researched and drafted Historic Resource Environmental Reports, Historic Property Survey Reports and identify effected cultural resources for projects throughout California including: I-710 Freeway Widening, North Spring Street Viaduct, Santa Rosa Road Widening, Agoura Road Widening and California Street Road Widening. Responsibilities for such projects also include defining the APE and creating the vicinity, location and APE maps.

- Identified, documented, researched and described historic and cultural resources in South Central Los Angeles for the SurveyLA project. Other citywide surveys include: La Habra, North East Los Angeles and San Diego.
- Researched and drafted the historic and non-technical sections for Mitigated Negative Declarations and Environmental Impact Reports for projects throughout California.

Design Vidal: 2010- 2011

Los Angeles, CA

Architectural & Planning Consultant

- Identified and collected information on architecturally significant properties in specific neighborhoods of Los Angeles for marketing needs.
- Researched and drafted reports on historic properties to understand their significance to determine whether they are eligible for the National and California Register.
- Submitted projects to architectural conferences for design competitions.

City of Los Angeles Planning Department: 2009-2010

Los Angeles, CA

Planning Intern

- Assisted in drafting neighborhood preservation plans, which included: researching and writing context statements, defining architectural attributes and surveyed neighborhoods to determine whether they are contributors or non-contributors.
- Drafted residential Certificates of Appropriateness for residents interested in making alternations or building additions to properties located in HPOZ's.
- Administrative responsibilities include: editing preservation plans and providing feedback to the public with questions regarding properties within historic districts.

TEACHING

City University of New York-Queens College: Fall 2017

Queens, NY

Adjunct Lecturer

- Researching New York City (MA)

City University of New York-Hunter College: Spring 2017

New York, NY

Adjunct Lecturer

- Introduction to Urban Planning (MUP)

PUBLICATIONS

Migration & Restaurants: Mapping America's Most Diverse Thoroughfare, Food-Stuff section. The Graduate Association of Food Studies, Volume 4 No. (March, 2017).

Restaurant Opportunities Centers United, *The Glass Floor: Sexual Harassment in the Restaurant Industry*. 2014. Quant Analysis.

The Effects of a Historic Preservation Overlay Zone in the Mount Pleasant Neighborhood of Boyle Heights. Published by: California State Polytechnic University: College of Environmental Design, 2011.

INVITED LECTURES/PRESENTATIONS/PANELISTS

The Kea Fiedler Research Colloquium. *Immigrant Restaurateurs: Negotiating Difference Along America's Most Diverse Thoroughfare*. The New School. Spring 2017.

Hunter College URBP 719 "Land Use, People and Environment" Panelist on graduate students final presentations. CUNY. December 6, 2016.

Columbia University GSAPP CORE 1: *Transit, Transient, Transition*, presenter. "Production of Social Space, Spatial Justice and NYCT." Avery Hall. October 17, 2016.

Hunter College's Urban Planning Program (PAB) Renewal Process Discussant. September 26, 2016.

Hunter College URBP 719 "Land Use, People and Environment" Panelist on graduate students final presentations. Hunter College. August 17, 2016.

The Production of Space, Public Space & Immigration- A Review of the Literature Summer Dissertation Workshop. The New School. July, 2016.

New York University. *Roosevelt Avenue- Global Immigrant Neighborhoods Shaping the Post Industrial City*. Food Studies Department. May, 2016.

"MTA-NYCT A & C Line Review Public Transit- Integrative Seminar. The New School. May, 2015.

"Theory of Decision Making "Political and Public Policy Analysis Course. The New School. April, 2015.
"The Rise and Fall of Pruitt Igoe" Cities and Slum Course- The New School. September, 2014.
"Neighborhood Development, Change and Food Culture- Highland Park, Los Angeles"
Association of American Geographers, Walking Tour. April, 2013.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

CityFood Public Event-A Political and Cultural History of Street Food Vending. Moderator for Street Food Regulations and Policy Panel. New York University- Institute of Public Knowledge. April 6, 2017.
CityFood Symposium-A Political and Cultural History of Street Food Vending. Urban Space/The City Panel:
Mapping the Unmapped: Sidewalk Vendors Along New York City's Roosevelt Avenue. New York University. April 5, 2017.
Krueckeberg Doctoral Conference in Urban Studies, Urban Planning, and Public Policy; Urban Space and Politics Panel:
Negotiating Difference Along America's Most Diverse Thoroughfare. Rutgers, New Brunswick NJ, Spring 2017.

AWARDS AND SKILLS

Awards: UCSB National Society of Leadership and Success Honors recipient (2007-2008). Dean's Scholar, Cal Poly Pomona, 2010-2011. Graduate Planning Student Association: *Most Environmentally Conscious Planner*: 2011. Caltrans Employee Recognition Program, Superior Accomplishment Award, 2012.

Technical: QGIS, ArcGIS, SPSS, SketchUp, Nvivo, Atlas ti, Microsoft Office, Microsoft Access and Google Earth.

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Operations Planning Enrichment & Development Program New York, NY
• Rotational program where I gained experience in various units throughout the Division of Operations Planning.
National Institute of Transportation- Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey: 2013 Online
• Developed an in-depth comprehension of the state and metropolitan transportation programming process.
Caltrans- Transportation Planning Academy: 2012 Los Angeles, CA
• Covered the intricate and complex procedures for federally funded transportation planning projects.
Caltrans- Environmental Planning Academy: 2011 Los Angeles, CA
• Understand procedures to undertake federal and state environmental planning projects.

VOLUNTEER

Restaurant Opportunities United: 2014-2015 Brooklyn, NY
• Conduct quantitative and qualitative analysis for restaurant related studies within the United States.
Materials and Application: 2010-2013 Los Angeles, CA
• Assist in the design and implementation of public art and architectural installations at the M&A courtyard.
West Adams Heritage Association: 2006-2009 Los Angeles, CA
• Docent in historic homes for holiday tours, identifying house and neighborhood history, period of significance and architecture features.

QUALIFICATIONS

Meets the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualifications Standards for history and architectural history pursuant to the Code of Federal Regulations, 36 CFR Part 61, Appendix A.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

- American Association of Geographers
- American Planning Association
- American Sociology Association
- Graduate Association for Food Studies
- Association for the Study of Food and Society
- Transportation Alternatives- NYC
- Urban Affairs Association