

isabel anderson

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND

Bachelor of Science in Architecture, Sustainability Minor

- Design Culture and Creativity Honors College: two year program focusing on interdisciplinarity, culminating in an independent capstone project where I conducted research, interviews and analysis to design an artistic exhibition

August 2019-May 2023

summa cum laude (4.0 GPA)

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES INSTITUTE (FLORENCE, ITALY)

Study Abroad Program

- Completed architecture studio courses and an intensive Italian language course while living in Florence
- Wrote numerous entries for the school's blog about student life and experiences

August-December 2022

ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN ACADEMY

2 Year High School Program

- Learned 3D modeling (physical, Sketchup and Revit) and drafting (manual and AutoCAD)
- Designed a community center in Philadelphia which I presented both at a senior showcase and at Jefferson University

August 2017-May 2019

WORK EXPERIENCE

STAFF ARCHITECT

The River East Design Center (Washington, D.C.) - Part Time

- Participate in weekly client meetings and co-facilitate community design charrettes to collect stakeholder feedback
- Produce a model and construction documentation using Revit, iterate conceptual designs and create a final package

July 2023-Present

STAFF ARCHITECT

ARCHITECTURAL INTERN

POM Studio Architects (Bowie, MD) - Part Time (current)

- Design, format and assist in presenting schematic design packages to clients
- Visit sites and participate in project meetings to discuss structure and architectural designs
- Utilize Revit to create new construction files and to make ongoing edits to existing projects based on daily redlines
- Trained a new employee on creating schematic design packages, using Revit, and general firm practices

July 2023-Present

May-August 2022

WINTER INTERN

Architecture By Design (Ellicott City, MD)

- Utilized AutoCAD to create new and edit existing sets of construction files based on redlines
- Researched and imported codes into ongoing projects and participated in site meetings about accessibility

January 2022

ARCHITECTURAL DIGITAL MODELER

Neighborhood Design Center (Hyattsville, MD)

- Worked alongside another student to create digital models using Sketchup
- Participated in weekly design meetings with artists to present current design and discuss next model iterations

June-September 2021

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

CAMP SUPPORT MENTOR

Project Pipeline Summer Camp by DC National Organization of Minority Architects Chapter

- Alongside other camp mentors, prepared and led architectural activities such as presentations, site visits, projects and drawing exercises aimed to immerse a group of middle/high school students in the field

August 2023

TREASURER/FINANCIAL CHAIR

National Organization of Minority Architecture Students- UMD

- Worked closely with other board members to develop, schedule and run fundraisers and handle existing funds

July 2021-July 2023

ACADEMIC PEER MENTOR

University of Maryland School of Architecture, Planning and Preservation

- Worked alongside graduate teaching assistants to teach students in an introductory architecture design class
- Gave students feedback on their projects, answered questions, and provided assistance outside of class

Spring 2022 & 2023

UNDERGRADUATE REPRESENTATIVE

Justice, Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Collaborative-UMD MAPP School

- Represented undergraduate students on a larger committee of students and faculty in the MAPP School
- Discussed and worked to implement measures that enhance diversity and inclusion in the school

November 2021- August 2022

“highly driven architecture student passionate about the human scale of the built environment, pursuing a full-time position at an urban architecture firm working in commercial, civic and urban projects”

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SKILLS

ARCHITECTURAL MODELING

AutoCAD Certified User
SketchUp
Autodesk Revit
Physical Modeling

COMMUNICATION

Microsoft Office Suite
Miro or MURAL
Microsoft Teams
Zoom

PRESENTATION

Lumion
Enscape
Adobe Creative Suite: Indesign, Illustrator, Photoshop

AWARDS

FACULTY AWARD FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE, AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN DESIGN (May 2023)

JOHN & SARAH STEFFIAN FELLOWSHIP AWARD (Fall 2022)

GRIMM & PARKER ENDOWMENT FUND SCHOLARSHIP (Fall 2021)

DEAN'S SCHOLARSHIP (Fall 2019-Spring 2021)

INDIVIDUAL HONORABLE MENTION in the Jefferson Innovation in Design HS Competition (Spring 2019)