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**Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, University of Michigan**

EDUCATION	Master of Architecture with Distinction Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, University of Michigan <i>"Archnatomizing Somalia" with Jason Young</i>	2009
	Bachelor of Science in Architecture Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, University of Michigan <i>"Coded Space" with Kathy Velikov, Wallenberg Award recipient.</i>	2007
OTHER EDUCATION	NRE 531, Principles of Geographic Systems University of Michigan	2009
ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS	Lecturer III Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Faculty Lead ,Liason for Inclusive Teaching Rackham Faculty Ally, Faculty Wellbeing Representative Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, University of Michigan Ann Arbor, Michigan	01   2016 - Present Aug 2022-March 2025 Aug 2022-Present
	Equity in Architecture Education Consortium Faculty Partner	2021-2022
	Adjunct Faculty College of Architecture and Design, Lawrence Technological University Southfield, Michigan	09   2020 - 12   2020 01   2017 - 05   2017 03   2014 - 09   2014
	Graduate Student Instructor Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, University of Michigan Ann Arbor, Michigan	01 -04   2008
	Graduate Student Instructor Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, University of Michigan Ann Arbor, Michigan	09 - 12   2008
	Design and Research Assistant Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	03   2014 - 09   2014
PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE	Design and Research Assistant RTVR, Ann Arbor, Michigan	09   2009 - 10   2011
	Intern Architect Atelier Mankouche, Ann Arbor, Michigan	05   2007 - 08   2009
	Design and Research Assistant Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, University of Michigan	09   2007 - 04   2008
	Architectural Intern Symbiosis Designs, Amman, Jordan	06 - 08   2006
ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS	Master of Architecture Distinction Award Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, University of Michigan	2009
	University of Michigan Distinction Awards for High Graduating GPA	2009
	The National Scholars Honor Society	2008
DESIGN AWARDS	Raoul Wallenberg Certificate of Award, Second Place For B.S. Arch Thesis Project "Coded Space," faculty advisor: Kathy Velikov Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, University of Michigan	2007
	Willeke Portfolio Award, Second Place Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, University of Michigan	2007
	The National Scholars Honor Society University of Michigan	2007

SCHOLARLY PUBLICATIONS	Zain AbuSeir, "Alrch natomizing Somalia" in Atlantis, Magazine by Polis   Platform For Urbanism, [Delft University of Technology], #23.4 June 2013 : p54-56	06   2013
	Zain AbuSeir, "Alrch natomizing Somalia" in Ground up, Issue 01, [Landscapes of Uncertainty, Department of Landscape Architecture and Environmental Planning, University of California, Berkeley, 2012] : p70-73	2012
	Zain AbuSeir, "Alrch natomizing Somalia" in Zawia: Change, 2012 : p272-279	2012
	Zain AbuSeir, "Coded Space", in Dimensions 21, [Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, University of Michigan, 2009] : p176-182	2009
EXHIBITIONS   INVITED	"Dialogical Derives" Film and Book, Student Show Exhibition [with Juan Mercado and Bethany Wilson] CMYK Gallery, Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, University of Michigan.	2009
EXHIBITIONS   JURIED	"Unfolding Forms of Conveyance", Climate Futures, Taubman College	2024
	"L'Isola Filtrata, Sacca San Mattia, Murano-Venice", Un-Built Architectural Awards, Boston Society of Architects [BSA], Build Boston, Boston. [with Steven Mankouche, Brittany Guercio, and Bethany Wilson.]	10   2008
	"Coded Space", Wallenberg Competition Studio Finalist Exhibition CMYK Gallery, Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, University of Michigan.	04   2007
	"Alrch natomizing Somalia" part of unveiling of Zawia LINKE.lab, Milan Italy, 2013	2013
	Contributor, Editor, Curator. Dimensions 21 Unveiling Exhibition, role: editor CMYK, Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, University of Michigan.	09   2009
	"Work Play," competition exhibition, Penny Stamps Auditorium Gallery, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor Michigan. [with Steven Mankouche]	2008
STUDENT REGONITION	Alumni Board of Governors Awards First place award to my student Sophie Ruf	Winter 2017
	Alumni Board of Governors Awards First place award to my student Muzi Li, "Floating Landscape"	Winter 2021
	Alumni Board of Governors Awards Honorable mention award to my student Sydney Cleveland-Datesman, "Spinach on Display"	Winter 2022
	Alumni Board of Governors Awards Honorable mention award to my student Max Coolidge, Cooperative Axis	Winter 2022
	Alumni Board of Governors Awards First place award to my student Ann Borek, "The Sandwich Factory" 2023	Winter 2023
	Student Show 2023-2024 Erin Kurtycz, "A House for People Who Like Hot Yoga"	Winter 2024
	Jake Nader and Jacob Yu, "Hosts of Reciprocal Speciation", Wallenberg Award, Third place	Winter 2024
		2025
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GRANTS	TVLIFE Grant for "Broadcasts of Entagled Phantoms", \$15,000, with Ishan Pal	2024
	SEED Grant for "Unfolding Forms of Conveyance" Climate Futures Exhibition \$1,500	2024
	UM PiTe, Embed Climate Change into Curriculum, Wallenberg 2025 studio, \$1,500	
	SEED Grant for "Unfolding Forms of Conveyance" Project \$5000	
	LEO Professional Development grant to attend ACSA Conflict : Resolution Teachers Conference, \$2,500	2008
	Graduate Professor Research Assistant Grant, Taubman College	Winter 2021
ADVISING ROLES	Independant Study Advisor to Evan Parness, for his project "The Unsustainability of Architecture and the Built Environment." Minor in Environmental Sustainability through the Program in the Environment in LSA Design Futures Forum	

PROFESSIONAL DESIGN	"North House Pamphlet" for RVTR	2011
RESEARCH CONTRIBUTIONS	Book Design and Graphic Representation	
	"Stratus Pamphlet" for RVTR	2011
	Drawing production, Book Design, and graphic representation	
	"The Stratus Project", "The Stratus Project: Making"	01   2011
	Responsible for film design and graphic representation, for RVTR.	
	Film Designer and Editor. Graphic Representation team leader. Exhibited in Research Through Making II, Taubman College of Architecture Gallery, University of Michigan	2011
	Helsinki South Harbor Port Competition, Open International Competition, Finland, for RTVR. Assisted in drawing production and graphic representation.	2011
	Post Carbon Highway, assisted in GIS research and mapping of the Great lakes Megaregion, for RVTR.	2011
	Thesis Pamphlet for Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, University of Michigan, with Geoffrey Thun.	2010
	ARC competition , assisted in GIS Mapping of Migratory Species, Wildlife Crossing bridge design proposal, Southern Rockies, Colorado. for RVTR	2010
	University of Michigan Campus Sustainability Project, Post Graduate Research, Buildings group lead by Geoffrey Thun.	
NATIONAL CONFERENCES	Junior Architects: Building Disciplinary Transformation Through Education Symposium Panel	OCT 2023
	L'Isola filtrante (the filtering island). Unbuilt Architecture Design Merit Award. Boston Society of Architects.	2008
	Research, design and package design contributor, with Steven Mankouche, Brittany Guercio, and Bethany Wilson.	2008
	MOCAD museum store. AIA Honorable Mention Award. American Institute of Architects (AIA) Huron Valley Chapter. For Steven Mankouche. Assisted in drawings and award package design.	09   2007
BOOK DESIGN PROJECTS	Editor, Curator. Dimensions 20 Unveiling Exhibition, role: editor CMYK, Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, University of Michigan.	09   2008
	Editor, Curator. Dimensions 21 Unveiling Exhibition, role: editor CMYK, Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, University of Michigan.	
	Thesis Pamphlet for Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, University of Michigan, with Geoffrey Thun	04   2010
COMMITTEES	Educational Policy Committee	2024-2025
	Architecture Chair Search Committee	2023-2024
	Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee-worked on the DEI 2.0 Plan	2022-2024
	Faculty Wellbeing Representative, Taubman College Univeristy of Michigan	2023-Present
	Undergraduate Preferred Admision Committee	2021-Present
	Scholarship Committee	2021-Present
	MLK Spirit Awards	2022
	Design Futures Forum 2021 Planning Committee, hosted by the University of Michigan,	10   2020 - Present
	Extra-Curricular Advancement Fund (ECAAF) Committee	2023-ongoing
	MLK North Campus Stmposium Planning Committee	2022-2023
	Undergraduate Admissions Committe	2021-Present