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Columbia M.Arch/MSRED graduate with two years of production experience in NYC across mixed-use, educational, and residential projects. Fluent in NYC zoning, building code, and DOB filings, with a dual lens on design and financial feasibility. Pursuing ARE licensure.

EDUCATION

Columbia University | New York, NY Dec 2025

Master of **Architecture (M.Arch)**

Master of Science in **Real Estate Development (MSRED)**

University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee | Milwaukee, WI Dec 2020

Bachelor of Science in Architecture

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Architectural Designer | AMPOPS | New York, NY May 2024 – Present

Boutique design-build practice working across residential, commercial, and educational projects in NYC. Executing across all phases from zoning and feasibility through construction documents, coordinating with consultants, clients, and city agencies.

- Leading DD for a 57-unit mixed-use building in Brooklyn (R6/C2-4 overlay) with a FRESH grocery store and community facility, managing egress coordination across three distinct use groups and facade design. Currently at 50% DD.
- Produced DD through 40% CD packages for a 121,000 SF K-8 school in the Bronx with Perkins Eastman. Led interior design for the lobby, gymnasium and fitness area, developing material and wayfinding palettes aligned with the school's identity.
- Delivered 12 zoning and feasibility packages with FAR/ZFA calculations, bulk constraint analysis, and Revit massing test-fits. Six converted to commissioned projects.
- Produced CDs for 16 projects across educational, residential, and commercial programs in 12 months, coordinating consultant deliverables and managing vendor procurement.
- Produced renderings and visual presentations in Enscape and Lumion across all active projects for client reviews, marketing collateral, and agency submissions.

Architectural Intern | The Design and Build Group | Wayne, NJ Apr 2021 - Apr 2022

- Prepared full construction drawing sets and code-compliance packages for five residential renovation projects including kitchen expansions, additions, and ADA-compliant upgrades.
- Documented existing conditions through site visits, verified field dimensions against design intent, and produced as-built drawings used as the basis for renovation design.
- Presented design options and material selections in client meetings, incorporating feedback into iterative drawing revisions.

ACADEMIC & RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Fellow | Mobile Design Box, UWM | Milwaukee, WI May 2020 - Dec 2020

- Led bilingual community interviews and ethnographic research to inform the design of 'The Commons,' a pop-up storefront built on Milwaukee's Mitchell Street corridor in collaboration with local BID stakeholders.

Teaching Assistant, Core I Mentor | Columbia University | New York, NY Sep 2023 - Dec 2023

- Mentored M.Arch students through design development. Coordinated studio reviews and curated project exhibitions.

SELECTED AWARDS

Marcus Prize Studio | Tatiana Bilbao Studios | Milwaukee, WI May 2020 - Dec 2020

- Selected as one of two undergraduates for a graduate-level studio led by Marcus Prize laureate Tatiana Bilbao. Contributed to the design and construction of "The Commons," a community pop-up built at 615 W. Mitchell Street.

Honorable Mention | Redesigning a School Patio Competition | PISE | Lima, Peru Dec 2018

- Designed a 2,500 SF courtyard for Villa de Jesús elementary school using locally inspired modular elements. Published on ArchDaily and exhibited in Lima's Historic Center.

SKILLS

Software: Autodesk Revit (Certified), AutoCAD (Certified), Rhinoceros, Grasshopper, Enscape, Lumion, SketchUp, 3DS Max, Adobe Creative Suite, ArcGIS, Bluebeam Revu.

Technical: NYC Zoning Resolution, Zoning & Feasibility Analysis, NYC Building Code, DOB Filings, Schematic Design, Design Development, Construction Documentation, BIM Coordination, Specification Writing, Excel Financial Modeling.

Languages: English (Native), Spanish (Native)