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CREDENTIALS

Registered Architect · New York State

Certified Accessibility Inspector/Plans Examiner · International Code Council (ICC)

WELL Accredited Professional · International WELL Building Institute (IWBI)

EDUCATION

CUNY School of Professional Studies · Master of Arts in Disability Studies · In Progress

Pratt Institute · Bachelor of Architecture · Sustainability Minor · 2013–2018

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Materials Librarian & Specification Consultant · Ennead Architects · 2021–Present

While studying full-time as a Disability Studies graduate student, I have maintained an active industry role through consultancy work at Ennead Architects. I manage the firm's 1200SF materials library, arrange continuing education opportunities, and assist with material specification. My position allows me to engage with projects across the firm, including K-12 schools, higher education, healthcare, and performance spaces.

Senior Architectural Designer · Breitner Ciaccia — Office of Architecture · 2018–2021

During my time at BC–OA, I managed the gut renovations of two custom luxury residential lofts, as well as several other partial renovations. I was involved thoroughly in every phase of work, including an exhaustive exploration of possible design options within the site constraints, management of the DOB filings, coordination with multiple consultants, single-handed production of construction document sets with extensive hyper-custom details, specification selection, and heavy oversight throughout the duration of construction.

Architectural Intern · CTA Architects · 2017–2018

As an intern at CTA, I gained exposure to a variety of projects, including storm resiliency design and historical preservation endeavors. I was primarily staffed working on upgrades to a public mental health institution.

ASSOCIATIONS & ACTIVITIES

American Institute of Architects (AIA) · 2023–Present

International Association of Accessibility Professionals (IAAP) · 2023–Present

Disability in the Built Environment Forum · Founder · 2023–Present

Interviewee on *The Spiral Lab* · “The Myth of the Bland Autistic” · 2023

Design Studio Guest Critic · Pratt Institute Undergraduate Architecture · 2022, 2023

Society for Disability Studies · 2022–Present

Autistic Self-Advocacy Network (ASAN) · 2022–Present

Disability & Access Coalition · CUNY School of Professional Studies · 2022–Present

Design Studio TA · Pratt Institute Pre-College & Undergraduate Architecture · 2015–2016

AWARDS

Degree Project Distinguished Review · Pratt Institute Undergraduate Architecture · 2018

Elected Student Representative · Pratt Institute Undergraduate Architecture · 2014–2015

Dean's List · Pratt Institute · 2013–2018

Presidential Merit Scholarship · Pratt Institute · 2013–2018

Cox Communications Scholars Award · 2013

Avon Foundation for Women Scholarship · 2013

SKILLS

Software · Microsoft Office Suite · Adobe Creative Suite

Digital Modeling · Revit · Sketchup & V-Ray · Rhinoceros & Grasshopper

Communication · Project Management · Leadership & Collaboration · Elementary ASL