

# NAZ ERUKCU

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## EDUCATION

### The Koc School

Sep 2019 – Ongoing

- Grade 12 / Anticipated Graduation 2023
- Following the Turkish Ministry of Education high school curriculum

## EXPERIENCE

### DBArchitects

Sep 2022

- Observed the workflow of an architectural company as well as their ongoing projects to become acquainted with the regular duties of an architectural company
- Socialised with foreign clients speaking in English to make clients feel welcomed and understood
- Took expert advice on what skills one would need to succeed in the architecture discipline

### Tasyapi Holding Construction Company

Feb 2022

- Observed internal communication practices in a construction business environment that requires strong connection between on-site and off-site employees
- Participated in problem-solving meetings that aimed to increase internal communication efficiency and took notes about tips developed for work safety for the construction of Ercan Airport by visiting and observing the construction site
- Explored corporate social responsibility at the company and its facilities such as the construction of the Emrullah Turanlı Orphanage and housing for the families of civil servants such as firefighters and police officers who died on the line of duty

## ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES

### Open Yale Courses: Introduction to Roman Architecture

Jun 2022

- Studied Roman buildings from the entire span of Roman history and from geographical locations all around Europe and the Middle East with a focus on general city planning and the individual flares of what makes each construction and city unique
- Gained renewed appreciation for the rich history of ancient Roman architecture still found within my country such as the city of Ephesus

### MIT edX Course: Sustainable Building Design

Jun 2022

- Learned and explored key scientific principles, technologies, and analysis techniques for designing comfortable indoor environments while reducing energy use and associated climate change effects

### Harvard University edX Course: Architectural Imagination

Apr 2022

- Immersed myself in the basic principles of architecture to gain the skills necessary to analyze existing works of architecture and understand their historical and cultural contexts
- Gained new perspectives on how to approach designing architecture myself in the future and learned to think about the multiple ways in which architecture can be expressive in our diverse and complex world

## LEADERSHIP SKILLS AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

### Knowledge Exchange: Atca Architectural Inheritance Project

Aug – Sep 2022

- Initiated a community project to raise awareness for architectural heritage through a YouTube video in English about Atca, a small town in the Aegean Region of Turkey
- Introduced the architectural beauties of the town along with its touching history
- Received an appreciation certificate from the mayor of Sultanhisar, Aydin, Turkey as this video was the first YouTube channel presentation in English about the town

### TEMA (Turkish Foundation for Combating Soil Erosion)

Mar – Apr 2022

- Volunteered for office work such as organizing documents, and sorting organizations at TEMA which is the biggest organization aiming to protect nature and raise people's awareness of this issue

## EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND INTERESTS

- **Interest:** Follow the Places Journal, a trusted resource on on architecture's role and effect on social justice and environmental health to keep myself up to date on such concerns as a future designer
- **Music:** Played piano between 2016 and 2021 and passed ABRSM 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>-year exams
- **Sports:** Played tennis at Optimum Tennis Istanbul for three years

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