### **BERENICE MELIS**

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### PROFILE

I am a recent graduate of MArchD RIBA part 2 from the Oxford school of architecture. Interested in the fields of urbanism and social regeneration, where the social and the form meet to increase the community wellness, experimenting with alternative models of society. Passionate about working in team and in meeting new people with different backgrounds. Particularly responsive about the strategical and conceptual stage of a project. Looking for a full time job starting immediately.

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

## 09/2013 - AWP, Paris, France - Architectural Internship Part I 06/2014

Main projects:

- Cheseaux-sur-Lausanne, Switzerland, urban master plan, 90 000 m2
- Nexity, La Defense, France, architecture-commercial buildings, 4500 m2
- Jardin de l'arche, La Défense, France, Urban Design-architecture, 71 044 m2
- Guide Plan of the Public Spaces of the City of Nanterre, France, Urbanism, 1290 ha
- Armenonville, Neuilly sur Seine, France, Apartment Renovation, 300 m2

Main tasks:

Model making, autoCAD, design and research

## 07/2012 Paolo Portoghesi, Viterbo, Italy - Architectural Internship

Main Projects:

- Milano Bicocca, Italy, Large Residential Scheme
- Piazza del Parlamento, Rome, Italy, Urban Design

Main tasks:

Image manipulations, AutoCAD planning and 3D modeling

## RELATED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

## 07-08/2016 Baobab Experience, Rome, Italy - Voluntary Humanitarian Work

Rome Refugee Camp. Giving any kind of help - food, clothes, assistance - to all the immigrants coming to and through Rome. Community Aid and high level of social commitment.

## 07/2014 Rome, Italy - Photography Course

Course by the photographer Michele Buonanni, urban photography

## 08/2012 Casa da Vida, Sao Paulo, Brazil - Voluntary Humanitarian Work

Part of the humanitarian project 'Casa da Vida' in the favelas of Itanahaem and Santa Rita. Team work and activities organisation for all kinds of age and ex-addicts inside the favelas. Community Aid and high level of social commitment.

## 08/2008- Horn Lake, Mississippi, USA - EF exchange student programme 06/2009

Year spent in the USA with an American host family during the high school year

#### **EDUCATION**

## 09/2014-05/2016

## Master in Architecture and Design, Oxford Brookes University, UK

Year 2: Thesis project: The Social Hive

Studio leaders: Nicholas Boyarsky, Jason Coleman and Camila Sotomayor Project on the social integration of the communities of Maardu, Estonia, through spatial manipulation and material recycle.

Year 1: Specialisation in International Architectural Regeneration and Development Course leader: Dr Aylin Orbasli

Regeneration project of the abandoned convent for the city of Evora, Portugal, creating a new kind of community through an organic wine laboratory.

# 09/2010- BA in Architecture, University of Kent, Canterbury, UK 07/2013

Main proje

- Urban: Public Centre for the Hip Hop culture in Lille, France
- Modular: Residential complex in Margate, UK
- Landscape: design of public open spaces in Canterbury, UK
- Adapt and Extend: regeneration of an old control tower in Folkstone, UK

Final Grade: 2:1

## 09/2005-06/2010

## Italian High School, Liceo Scientifico G. Piazzi, Morlupo (Rome), Italy

Subjects: Calculus Math, Physics, Latin, English, Italian Literature, History, History of Art, Biology, Philosophy.

Final Grade: 92/100

### SKILLS

## **Computer Skills:**

- AutoCAD
- Adobe Suite: Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, Premier, Dreamweaver
- Microsoft Office: Word, Power Point, Excel
- 3D Studio Max
- Rhino
- Sketchup
- Html, CSS

## Model making Skills:

- Laser cut, wood
- Metal welding
- Hot wire foam
- Cardboard and foam board
- Plaster

### **Additional Skills:**

Fast and passionate learner, good communications and analytical skills, passionate about working in team and in meeting new people with different backgrounds. Great strategical skills.

## **LANGUAGES**

## Italian: Mother-tongue English: Fluent

French: B2 Level Spanish: B1 Level Portuguese: A2 Level Arabic: A2 Level

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

Music: guitar and clarinet

Sport: Running (long distance), Swimming (lifeguard experience)

More: passioned about traveling, photography, creative writing, cinema and hand made objects