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I'm Dominika  
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*RIBA Part 1 qualified Architecture graduate with a strong passion for good design.*



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#### · ABOUT ME ·

I am a recent graduate of one of the top architectural universities worldwide, ready to undertake my RIBA part 1 apprenticeship.

I have graduated with an upper second class honors degree and excellent grade averages.

Over the course of my undergraduate studies, my focus has strongly been drawn to the social side of an architectural design. Being a part of *&rchitecture atelier* at MSA I have been learning and discovering how impactful architecture can be, shaping not just cities, but most importantly - communities. I do believe that architects and citizens together can make places more inclusive, when responding to and tackling economic deferrences as well as protecting and producing public commons to create high-quality, sustainable and healthy spaces open for all.

Having participated in a series of lectures about *Social Architectures in South America* as a part of my Humanities course I've had a chance to closely inspect the impacts and means of social and political architecture in the areas experiencing rapid population growth - an issue I do believe might become the most important one, alongside with a need for highly sustainable design, in the field of architecture in the close future.

Independently, over the course of the programme I have been undertaking various side-projects - with the main one being a full camper van conversion, which was a realistic test to my skills as a designer and a craftswoman. Building out an off-grid, little home on the space of less than 8 square meters turned out to be a great opportunity to apply my knowledge on construction and design as well as my manual skills.

Being passionate about outdoors and strongly believing that movement is a key to my happiness and well-being I have been regularly training rock-climbing for almost three years now.

I am a driven person with a strong passion for design, highly analytical of the world and societies around me, always staying open to new challenges and opportunities and strongly believing in change and development. I am ready to share my vision and my ideas and create meaningful architecture *with people and for people!*

#### · EDUCATION ·

- 2020 - 2023 | **BA (hons) Architecture**  
*Manchester School of Architecture*  
  
an upper second class honours degree with a following grade averages;  
**70.75%** in Studio;  
**72.25%** in Technologies and  
**68%** in Humanities
- 2018 - 2020 | **IB Diploma Programme**  
*International Baccalaureate World School No. 000971*  
  
higher level English - 6, Mathematics - 6 and Physics - 7;  
and an overall result of **38** out of 45 points

#### · SOFTWARE SKILLS ·



Microsoft Office



HTML and CSS



Photoshop



Illustrator



InDesign



SketchUp Pro



AutoCAD



Revit



V-ray



Enscape



Premiere Pro



After Effects



Lightroom



Adobe Xd

#### · MANUAL SKILLS ·



hand drawing



modelmaking



power tools



woodworking



sewing

#### · SKILLS ·

- o site analysis and brief development

Working on different projects over the course of my degree provided me with experience at analyzing varied environments and their key factors on architectural design. Through detailed research and analysis I can recognise potential weaknesses and threats and as well as opportunities and creative drivers on the site.

- o conceptual and initial design development

Being highly creative and experimental person I can skillfully develop and generate my ideas through hand-drawing over the initial stages of the design process. I always make sure to iterate different options and look at my designs from varied angles and perspectives in order to find unobvious solutions.

- o architectural visualization

Advanced skills in SketchUp and eagerness to continue learning Revit as well as good knowledge of rendering softwares provide me with tools to test out architectural projects and bring them to life. Being precise at work I always make sure my models are highly detailed and neat.

- o strong hand-drawing and illustrating skills

Being passionate about graphic design I am always making sure that the output of my work is original and unique. I want to convey ideas through distinctive diagrams and drawings with style, in the same time keeping their high quality and explicity. Being proficient in softwares such as Photoshop and Illustrator as well as confident at hand drawing allow me to produce interesting diagrammes, sections, master plans and illustrations for architecture.

- o eagerness and ability to work in a team

Having good communication skills as well as positive attitude to people and believing that the greatest ideas are produced together I am keen to work in a team with other creative individuals. Having more than two years of experience working at FOH jobs I am used to sharing tasks, solving problems and working towards one goal with my team.

#### · LANGUAGES ·

Polish	<div></div>	native
English	<div></div>	advanced
German	<div></div>	basic
Spanish	<div></div>	beginner



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