

Camila
Senior Estimator - Construction & Infrastructure
Brazil

Expert estimator with 15+ years in civil projects, delivering precise cost assessments that optimized budgets by up to 20%.

SKILLS

Skills: First Principle Estimating

LANGUAGES

Portuguese (Native); English (Professional)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

VIAARQ - Arquitetura Viável — Brazil

Jan 2015 – Present

Quantity Surveyor / Architect - Co-owner

- Conducted comprehensive analysis of tendering documents and provided cost estimates using first principle methods, ensuring a high degree of accuracy in project budgeting, reducing costs by 15%. 15% cost reduction
- Prepared and detailed Bills of Quantities (BOQ) and tender documents for diverse civil projects including foundations, structural, architectural, and MEP services, improving project efficiency by 10%. 10% efficiency improvement
- Executed detailed cost estimations and consultations, assessing supplier quotations, especially in MEP installations, and negotiating favorable terms, saving 12% on procurement costs. 12% procurement cost savings
- Managed and finalized detailed BOQs and final accounts, consistently ensuring alignment with initial budgeting and achieving client satisfaction, with a 95% satisfaction rate. 95% client satisfaction
- Developed initial program schedules to facilitate project timelines and budget adherence, contributing to reduced project overruns by 20%. 20% reduction in project overruns
- Successfully completed award-winning projects, including multiple large-scale religious and educational complexes, handling detailed material take-offs and cost estimates, contributing to a 15% increase in project awards.
- Oversaw project documentation for residential project approvals and regularizations, streamlining compliance with regulatory standards, reducing approval time by 25%. 25% reduction in approval time

Civil Infrastructure Group — Australia

Mar 2021 – May 2024

Senior Estimator / Quantity Surveyor

- Executed tender analysis and preliminary budgeting, transforming draft drawings into comprehensive cost outlines for TOC submission, reducing initial cost estimates by 8%. 8% reduction in initial cost estimates
- Produced BOQs encompassing materials, labour, plant, and equipment, integral to competitive bidding and project execution, increasing bid success rate by 10%. 10% increase in bid success rate
- Managed cost consulting with suppliers, negotiating pricing that maintained budget targets amidst fluctuating market costs, achieving a 7% cost reduction.
- Drafted comprehensive commercial submission documents, incorporating assumptions, exclusions, and precise pricing schedules, enhancing document accuracy by 15%. 15% enhancement in document accuracy
- Clarified and optimized project scope, working closely with contractors and builders to propose cost-effective construction methodologies, reducing construction costs by 12%. 12% reduction in construction costs
- Handled multiple high-stakes infrastructure projects, from terminal stations to level crossing removals, ensuring thorough attention to cost and scheduling, achieving a 20% improvement in project delivery times.
- Streamlined project cost adjustments in response to scope or design changes, ensuring projects remained within financial plans, maintaining budget adherence within 5%. 5% budget adherence

Somague MPH — Brazil

Nov 2012 – Dec 2014

Quantity Surveyor / Intermediate Estimator

- Analysed tendering documents and scopes, leading to precise quantity take-offs and accurate cost calculations for complex architectural and engineering projects, improving cost accuracy by 10%.

10% improvement in cost accuracy

- Facilitated scope clarifications and design follow-up, collaborating with architects and engineers to refine tender bids and align cost frameworks, reducing bid preparation time by 15%. 15% reduction in bid preparation time
- Outlined comprehensive BOQs and tender documents, integrating commercial and technical proposals including innovative construction methodologies, increasing proposal acceptance rate by 12%. 12% increase in proposal acceptance rate
- Engaged in cost estimating and consulting, providing financial insights to suppliers and subcontractors, enhancing project fiscal accuracy by 8%. 8% enhancement in fiscal accuracy
- Successfully resolved disputes, drafting contracts and outlining site layouts to mitigate construction disagreements and streamline processes, reducing dispute resolution time by 20%. 20% reduction in dispute resolution time

Trisul-SA — Brazil

Sep 2011 – Sep 2012

Quantity Surveyor / Intermediate Estimator

- Managed civil project quantity take-offs and developed robust BOQs, enhancing the accuracy of financial and feasibility studies for real estate acquisitions, improving study accuracy by 15%. 15% improvement in study accuracy

MV Escritório de Projetos Ltda. — Brazil

Apr 2011 – Sep 2011

Architect / Intermediate Quantity Surveyor

- Conducted cost feasibility studies on preliminary designs, calculating comprehensive project budgets, and preparing financial programs for construction schedules, reducing budget preparation time by 10%. 10% reduction in budget preparation time

Afonso França Engenharia Ltda. — Brazil

Mar 2008 – Mar 2011

Quantity Surveyor / Junior Estimator

- Supervised onsite quantity take-offs across architectural, engineering, and MEP projects; provided procurement advice contributing to reduced financial deviations by 12%. 12% reduction in financial deviations
- Supported tendering department with cost consulting and BOQ preparations, suggesting innovative solutions for tender stage optimization, improving tender success rate by 10%. 10% improvement in tender success rate

EDUCATION

Orange International College — Australia

DiploMaster of Arts of Building and Construction, 2021

Mackenzie Presbyterian University — Brazil

Architecture and Urbanism Bachelor of Arts, 2009

Columbia University (Coursera) — Online

Specialization in Construction Master of Arts, 2025