

Mateo Van Thienen

An urbanist with 2 years of experience in local government strategic planning. Passionate about sustainable transportation, place-making and data analysis, with a proven track record of leadership and entrepreneurship across different organizations.

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Education

B.Sc. in Sustainability & the Built Environment (GPA 4.0/4)

Aug. 2016 - May 2019

Geodesign Specialization

Landscape Architecture Minor

University of Florida

- Design Communications for Landscape Architects I & II
- 3D Modeling, Visualization & Simulation
- Intro to GIS I & II
- International Sustainable Development
- Sustainable Solutions for the Built Environment
- Geodesign Practicum

Work Experience

Senior Management Fellow - City of Gainesville, FL Strategic Initiatives

Aug. 2018 - Present

- Prepare maps and visualizations to assist the City Manager's office with prioritization and decision making.
- Maintain utility consumption and city spending databases and publish these in the city's Open Data Portal.
- Independently develop a web-based participation and collaboration tool based on CONSUL's open source code.

Shared Mobility Intern - City of Oakland, CA Department of Transportation

Jun. 2018 - Aug. 2018

- Analyzed the use of Ford GoBike and GIG Carshare in the City of Oakland using GIS and presented findings to community stakeholders using written and visual materials.
- Surveyed the site of a bikeshare station in Fuitvale Village and prepared 2 bilingual visualizations regarding its re-location from a parking spot to an unusable center turn lane.
- Spearheaded the initialization of Oakland's first Zero-Emission Vehicle Action Plan. Researched and identified existing goals and strategies for electric vehicle adoption in the San Francisco Bay Area.
- Assisted senior planning staff with the drafting of a new e-scooter share regulation and data sharing standard.

Digital Services Fellow - City of Gainesville, FL Strategic Initiatives

Aug. 2017 - May 2018

- Contributed to 2 multidisciplinary projects across city departments to improve city services through Design Thinking.
- Spearheaded the design of a new way-finding map for a key bus stop in the city to improve bus ridership.
- Independently created a custom webGIS application to support the new Gainesville Business Portal.
- Automated 9 key datasets in the city's open data portal, such as budgetGNV, spendingGNV and 311GNV.

Extracurricular Experience

President - Students for New Urbanism at UF

Aug. 2017 - May 2019

- Educated hundreds of multidisciplinary students about city planning best practices to improve communities by instituting walkability, bike friendliness, residential density and mixed-use development.
- Planned and led 6 general body meetings, 1 field trip and 4 community service events per semester.
- Designed outreach material such as the organization's website, bi-weekly newsletters and 2 video promotions.
- Independently designed and published 2 pedestrian and bicycle way-finding maps for the university's campus.

Treasurer - Design, Construction & Planning Ambassadors

Aug. 2017 - May 2019

- Collaborated with students, alumni, external stakeholders and the college's senior administrative staff.
- Kept track of the organization's finances.
- Led guided tours of the college's facilities.

Representative of DCP - Student Advisory Council for Undergraduate Affairs

Jan. 2018 - May 2019

- Nominated by the college of Design, Construction & Planning's senior staff to represent it university-wide.
- Aided in the design of a new faculty evaluation form and a new web-based student engagement platform.

Skills

- Excellent organizational skills.
- Fluent in English & Spanish.
- Excellent data collection, analysis and visualization skills.
- Advanced in Microsoft Excel & Access.
- Advanced in ArcGIS Pro & Esri CityEngine.
- Advanced in Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop & InDesign.
- Proficient in AutoCAD & Rhino.

