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Profile

As a soon-to-be architecture graduate based in Turkey, I believe architecture can change lives. With a multicultural perspective, I approach design as both a creative pursuit and a problem-solving process. My academic journey has built a strong foundation in architectural thinking, balancing technical skills with sensitivity to context, material, and human experience. Driven by curiosity about the interplay of form and function, I aim to create spaces that are both aesthetically engaging and environmentally responsible. With a forward-thinking mindset, I strive to contribute meaningful and innovative ideas to the evolving architectural landscape locally rooted, globally minded.

Education

Ihsan Dogramacı Bilkent University - Department of Architecture

2020 - 2025

Bachelor of Architecture Degree

Ankara / Turkey

Gazi High School

2015 - 2019

Ankara / Turkey

Experiences

How Architecture Platform

February 2025 - Present

Founder and Content Creator

Sparks dialogue on design thinking and the nuanced aspects of architectural practice. Explores creative processes, challenges, and strategies behind successful designs, highlighting how architects balance science and art in shaping the built environment.

A - Tasarım Mimarlık

July 2024 - August 2024

Architectural Internship

Ankara / Turkey

Contributed to dynamic façade design, 3D printing for architectural visualization and prototyping, and zoning plan development. Assisted in municipal permit processes and created high-quality visual presentations for client proposals.

Ünsal Group

June 2023 - July 2023

Construction Internship

Jewel Incek Ankara /Turkey

Assisted in audits of compliance with construction standards and safety regulations, followed up on material and equipment demands, and supported the assembly processes of structural elements. Participated in foundation laying, excavation, and concrete pouring processes, ensuring quality control during mixing and pouring to meet required standards.

Technical Skills

AutoCAD



Adobe Illustrator



Revit



Lumion



Sketch-Up



TwinMotion



Rhinoceros



Odeon



Adobe Photoshop



Sublime Text



Adobe InDesign



MS Office



Languages

English (Advanced)

Turkish (Native)

Interests

- Piano performance and music appreciation
- Reading and performing theater plays
- Traveling and exploring diverse cultures and cities

Certificates and Published Projects

- Making Architecture — IE Business School, IE School of Architecture & Design, 2025
- Renewable Energy and Green Building Entrepreneurship — Duke University, 2025
- Sustainable Urban Regeneration — Università Bocconi, 2025
- Sustainable Regional Principles, Planning and Transportation — Johns Hopkins University 2025
- The Theater Library — Studio Works, Bilkent University Department of Architecture, 2023 — arch.bilkent.edu.tr/?p=3940



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