

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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## EDUCATION

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**EDINBURGH COLLEGE OF ART**, Edinburgh, Scotland  
1990            **Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) Part III**

**UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, Graduate School of Fine Arts**, Philadelphia, PA  
1987            **Master of Architecture**  
Thesis: Low and Moderate Income Housing in Baldia Township, Karachi, Pakistan  
Venice Summer Studio, 1986  
Rome Summer Program, 1986  
AIA Teaching in the Schools Program, 1985  
Studied Restoration of the Erechtheion in Athens, Greece, 1985

**BRYN MAWR COLLEGE**, Bryn Mawr, PA  
1984            **Bachelor of Arts** (Major in Mathematics)  
Minor in Economics  
Nominated for the Thomas J. Watson Fellowship, 1984  
Studied at the London School of Economics, 1982

## REGISTRATIONS & CERTIFICATIONS

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**Registered Architect, Architects Registration Board**, United Kingdom, since 1991  
**Lifetime Registered Architect, Pakistan Council of Architects & Town Planners**, since 2007  
**International Associate, American Institute of Architects**, 2014-2020  
**Academic Member, Athens Institute for Education and Research**, Athens, Greece, 2022  
**Certificate: Introduction to Teaching Online**, CIITS, Prairie View A & M University, 2020  
**Certificate: Getting Ready for Quality Matters**, CIITS, Prairie View A & M University, 2020

## ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

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**PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY School of Architecture**, Prairie View, TX 2018-Present  
**Assistant Professor (Tenure-Track), Department of Architecture**  
**Coordinator, Second Year Architecture Design Studios**  
**Member, Retention and Enrollment Committee**  
**Member, Lecture Series Committee**  
**Faculty Senator (Member, Communications and Relations Committee)**  
First, Third and Fourth Semester Architecture Design Studio Instructor (Face-to-Face and Online); Member, NAAB Curriculum Evaluation Committee; Member, Architecture Licensure Committee; Member, Student Grievance Investigation Committee; Guest Juror

**FORT BEND LIBRARIES**, Katy, Sugar Land & Richmond, TX 2013- Present  
**UNIVERSITY PARK LIBRARY**, Irvine, CA  
**Community Educator**  
Enhancing public awareness about the role of art and architecture in the history of human civilization through lecture and discussion sessions

**OBRA D TOMPKINS HIGH SCHOOL**, Katy, TX 2016-2018  
**Volunteer Mentor**

**UNIVERSITY OF KARACHI DEPT OF ARCHITECTURE**, Pakistan 2016  
**Bachelor of Architecture Design Thesis Advisor**  
Online advice on precedent and case studies, site analysis and design

**Bachelor of Architecture Dissertation Advisor** 2013  
Advice on topic selection, dissertation structure, primary & secondary sources and precedent studies

**Visiting Instructor** 2010  
Taught *Third Year Architecture Design Studio* for the B Arch program

**IVYMAX TUTORING CENTER**, Irvine, CA 2014- 2015  
**Part-Time Instructor**  
Taught English, Mathematics and Social Studies to K-12 students

**SZABIST INSTITUTE**, Karachi, Pakistan 2012  
**Visiting Instructor**  
Developed and taught *Rhetoric in Architecture* course for MS Media Sciences program and *Culture, Media and Society* for BS Media Sciences program

**NED UNIVERSITY DEPT OF ARCHITECTURE**, Karachi, Pakistan 2011- 2012  
**Visiting Instructor**  
Developed and taught *Aesthetics in Architecture* course for M Arch program and *Fourth Year Architecture Design Studio* for B Arch program

**NIXOR COLLEGE**, Karachi, Pakistan

2011

**Visiting Instructor**

Developed and taught enrichment course *Art and Culture* for the A-Level program

**INDUS VALLEY SCHOOL OF ART & ARCHITECTURE**, Karachi

1994- 2011

**Professor of Architecture**

Formulated and taught *History of Art & Architecture, Theories of Architecture, Space, Place & Environment, Muslim Architecture, Architectural Conservation* and *Third Year Architecture Design Studio* courses; B Arch Dissertation Advisor; Department Coordinator; Chair of Library Committee; Member of Liberal Arts Board of Studies and Admissions Committee; IVSAA Architecture Dept representative to the Higher Education Commission of Pakistan; academic policy-making, curriculum development, academic and career advising.

**INVITED JUROR**

Spring Semester 2017	University of Houston, TX	<i>M Arch Design Thesis Jury</i>
Spring Semester 2015	Orange Coast College, CA	<i>1<sup>st</sup> Year Architecture Design Studio</i>
Fall Semester 2014	Woodbury University, CA	<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Year Architecture Design Studio</i>
Fall Semester 2014	Orange Coast College, CA	<i>1<sup>st</sup> Year Architecture Design Studio</i>
Fall Semester 2010	NED University, Pakistan	<i>4<sup>th</sup> Year Architecture Design Studio</i>
Spring Semester 2009	University of Karachi, Pakistan	<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Year Architecture Design Studio</i>

**INVITED LECTURER**

Spring Semester 2013	DCET Arch Dept, Karachi	<i>Dome of the Rock</i>
Fall Semester 2011	NED History Cell, Karachi	<i>Urban Masterpieces</i>
Spring Semester 2011	NED History Cell, Karachi	<i>Modern Architecture</i>
Fall Semester 2010	NED History Cell, Karachi	<i>Renaissance Architecture</i>
Spring Semester 2010	NED History Cell, Karachi	<i>Islamic Architecture</i>
Spring Semester 2010	University of Karachi	<i>Islamic Architecture</i>
Spring Semester 2010	University of Karachi	<i>Roman Architecture</i>
Fall Semester 2009	NED History Cell, Karachi	<i>Gothic Architecture</i>
Spring Semester 2009	NED History Cell, Karachi	<i>Roman Architecture</i>

**COMMITTEES**

Fall 2018 Semester- Spring 2021 Semester Spring 2020 Semester	Prairie View A&M University	<i>Member, Curriculum Committee, Member, Arch Licensure Committee Member, Student Grievance Investigation Committee</i>
Spring Semester 2009- Spring Semester 2011	Indus Valley School of Art & Architecture, Karachi	<i>Chair of Library Committee, Member of Admissions Committee, Member of Liberal Arts Board of Studies</i>

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## ACADEMIC SERVICE

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**University of Pennsylvania** Admissions Interview Panel Member, Karachi, Pakistan, 2011-2012  
**Bryn Mawr College** Member, BMC Houston Club, 2017-Present; College Recruitment, NJ, 1987

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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**DESIGN CONSULTANT**, Katy, TX 2017  
Master-planning of a 90-acre site in League City for recreational, commercial and residential development. Conversion of an existing warehouse in Houston to a dog training facility.

**THE GRID**, Karachi, Pakistan 2008-2013  
Principal Architect, private practice. Residential architecture, including own house.

**MEINHARDT (PAKISTAN) PVT LTD**, Karachi, Pakistan 1999-2001  
Principal Architect of Architecture Section in an international engineering practice. Project development with clients and developers. Team-leader for schematic design, design development and multi-media presentations for large-scale commercial and residential projects, viz. office buildings, shopping malls and housing schemes.

**THE ARCHITECTS**, Karachi, Pakistan 1995  
Schematic design, design development and site inspections for residential projects. Design competition for a national police academy.

**AHED ASSOCIATES**, Karachi, Pakistan 1993-1994 & 1995-1996  
Schematic design, design development and presentations for large-scale commercial and institutional projects, viz. office buildings and hospitals. Design competitions for community housing schemes and a prison. Authorship and graphic layout of architectural articles, written and graphic preparation of office portfolio and newsletters.

**LARI ASSOCIATES ARCHITECTS & PLANNERS**, Karachi, Pakistan 1992  
Architectural analysis of British Colonial buildings, in a historic district of Karachi, for publication. Design development of a hotel in the historic city of Multan. Schematic design for upgrading the swimming pool and landscaping at the Sindh Governor House, Karachi. Design of tile pattern for the facade of a corporate head-office building in Karachi. Co-ordination with clients and engineers.

**AMERICAN CENTER OF ORIENTAL RESEARCH**, Amman, Jordan 1992  
Assistant Architect of the Roman Temple of Hercules Restoration Project on the Citadel: site supervision, architectural measurements and drawings of excavated pottery for publication; co-author of article in the American Journal of Archaeology and interim report to funding agency. Design of ACOR library extension; drawings for grant proposal; co-ordination of shelving and furniture specifications with manufacturer.

**DEPT OF TECHNICAL SERVICES, EDC, Edinburgh, Scotland** 1989-1991  
Project Architect for conversion of a warehouse to training workshop; detail design and site inspections. Design development for extension of an art gallery into existing upper floors and conversion of the annex to gallery shop. Detail design and building permit application drawings for a new 97-bedroom hotel in historic Old Town. Detail design and construction drawings for a park gazebo. Co-ordination with clients, engineers, quantity surveyors, interior designers, manufacturers, Building Control officers, clerks of works and contractors.

**KVELL CORCORAN ARCHITECTS, PC, Washington, DC** 1989  
Architectural design development, kitchen layout and construction drawings for building permit application, for residential additions. Survey and building permit application drawings for conversion of a row house to a commercial art gallery. Surveys, drawings and discussions with clients and product representatives.

**HAZLE McCORMACK YOUNG ARCHITECTS, London, England** 1988  
Schematic design of conversion of a historic building to community, retail, entertainment, catering and office use. Architectural, interior design and construction drawings for the conversion of three row houses to hostel accommodation for Alcoholics' Recovery Project. Programming discussions with clients, quantity surveyors, developers and council officers; architectural surveys, construction documentation, drawings and renderings.

**KTDJ ARCHITECTS & PLANNERS, Cherry Hill, NJ** 1987-1988  
Architectural design of media center and expansion of music, athletic, administrative and classroom facilities at three public high schools. Interior and landscape design for a bank renovation. Programming discussions with clients, architectural surveys, construction documentation, drawings and renderings.

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## ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

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**Indus Valley School of Art & Architecture (1994-2011):** Department Coordinator (1998-1999); Chair of Library Committee; Member of Liberal Arts Board of Studies and Admissions Committee; policy-making, curriculum development and academic/career advising.

**Meinhardt (Pakistan) Pvt Ltd (1999-2001):** Principal Architect of Architecture Section; responsible for overall project portfolio and departmental budget in coordination with CEO; project development with clients, developers and consultants.

## PUBLICATIONS & ARTICLES

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Co-Author, *The Evolution of Architectural Education in the Era of Social Revolution and Technological Advancement*, Journal of Education and Social Development 2022 6-2, ISBN 2572-9829 (Online), 2572-9810 (Print), Dallas, TX, 2022

Co-Author, *Reconstructing the Mid-2<sup>nd</sup> Century CE Roman Bath Mosaic at Isthmia, Greece*, ATINER Conference Paper Proceedings Series No. HIS2022-0267, ISSN 2529-167X, Athens, 2022

Editor, *Among My Own* by Naseem Salahuddin, 2019-2020

Editor, *If Stones Could Speak* by Naseem Salahuddin & Iftikhar Salahuddin, 2017

Editor, *Jerusalem, A Journey Back in Time* by Iftikhar Salahuddin, BBCL Publications, 2013

Author, *Of Colour and Form*, FOMMA Publications, Karachi, Pakistan, 2010

Co-editor, *County Courier*, monthly publication of the Orange County Historical Society, 2015

Author, article *Earth, Light and Architecture*, Archi Times Publications, Karachi, Pakistan, 2013

Author, article *Chaos Begets Order*, NuktaArt Publications, Karachi, Pakistan, 2012

Author, article *Poetry and Mysticism in Architecture*, Archi Times Publications, Karachi, 2011

Author, articles *The Atelier* and *The Atelier Events*, Archi Times Publications, Karachi, 2011

Author, article *The Grid or Not the Grid*, NuktaArt Publications, Karachi, Pakistan, 2010

Co-author, article *Temple of Hercules Restoration Project*, American Journal of Archaeology, 1992

## CONFERENCES, EXHIBITIONS & WORKSHOPS

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Presented research paper at the **2023 International Conference on Religious Building Architecture, Design and Aesthetics**, Istanbul, Turkey, 2023

Co-presented research paper at the **2022 International Conference on Social and Education Sciences**, Austin, TX, 2022

Presented co-authored research paper at the **20<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference on History & Archaeology**, Athens Institute for Education and Research, Athens, Greece, 2022

Co-presented research paper at the **2022 International Conference on Education and Social Development**, Dallas, TX, 2022

**Faculty & Staff Virtual Conference**, Prairie View A&M University, TX, 2020

**Faculty & Staff Conference**, Prairie View A&M University, TX, 2019

*Line to Color Workshop* by Francis Ching and Gail Wong, AIA Orange County, CA, 2015

**Curator, Earth, Light and Architecture Exhibition** at NED University, Karachi, Pakistan, 2013

**Faculty Show** at Indus Valley School of Art and Architecture, Karachi, Pakistan, 2009

**Cities and Climate Change World Habitat Day Conference**, organized by UN Habitat, 2011

**Faculty Development Workshop** at Indus Valley School of Art and Architecture, 2009 and 1994

PCATP Representative, **Architecture Program Conference**, UET University, Taxila, Pakistan, 2008

IVSAA Representative, **Architecture Curriculum Conference**, Higher Education Commission 2007

## AWARDS

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**Irvine Public School Foundation (IPSF) Community Service Award 2013**

**Glasgow Institute of Architects Traveling Award 1990: Athenian Acropolis Restoration Project**

## AFFILIATIONS

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Academic Member, **Athens Institute for Education and Research**, Athens, Greece, 2022

Member, **Friends of Art History**, University of California Irvine, 2015

Board Member, **Irvine Pakistani Parents Association (IPPA)**, Irvine, CA, 2013-2015

Co-Founder and Instructor, **CUBE Design Education**, Karachi, Pakistan, 2012-2013

Co-Founder, **The Atelier Pakistan**, Karachi, Pakistan, 2011-2013