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Abridged CV EDUCATION

- Ph.D. **University College London (UCL)**, Planning Studies, 2019
Yale University, Exchange Scholar, 2014 – 2015
Place and Public Transport: Station Area Characteristics in Relationship to Passenger Rail Ridership in Berlin, Hong Kong, London, Los Angeles and Medellin
Primary Advisors: Professor Sir Peter Hall and Professor Stephen Marshall
- M.Sc. **University College London**, International Planning, Specialism: Sustainable Urban Development, 2010
The Small Lot Ordinance: Implementation of an Adaptive Re-Use Policy in Los Angeles.
- M.Arch. **University of Southern California**, Architecture and American Urbanism, 2007
- M.P.A.S. **University of Southern California**, Master of Public Art Studies, 2006
Conceptual Street Art as a Means of Democratic Participation.
- B.A. **University of California, Berkeley**, Architecture, 1999
- B.A. **University of California, Berkeley**, Art Practice, 1999

CURRENT APPOINTMENT

- Visiting Scholar **University of California Los Angeles** 2022 – 2023
Department of Urban Planning

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Assistant Professor **California State Polytechnic University Pomona** 2019 – 2022
Department of Urban and Regional Planning
Courses Taught:
Social Justice in Planning
Urban Design Theory for Planning
Tools Graphic Communication for Planning
Introduction to Urban Planning
Urban Design Site and Neighborhood
Urban Design in Europe
Housing and Community Development
International Planning
How Planning Works
Senior Project Supervision
Master's Thesis Supervision
Course Designed:
Sustainable Cities

Visiting Lecturer **University College London** Spring 2016
Bartlett School of Planning
Transport Policy and Planning

Postgraduate **University College London** 2013 – 2015
Teaching Assistant Bartlett School of Planning
Critical Debates in Urban Regeneration

PUBLICATIONS

Peer Reviewed

Garcia, B. (2021). Scanning for Cultural Competency in Online Urban Planning Programs. *Urban Planning*, 6(4), 273–282.

<https://doi.org/10.17645/up.v6i4.4574>

Moore, S., Rydin, Y., & Garcia, B. (June 01, 2015). Sustainable City Education: The Pedagogical Challenge of Mobile Knowledge and Situated Learning. *Area*, 47, 2, 141-149.

In Revision

Kim, D., Baek, S., Garcia, B., Vo, T., Wen, F. The influence of accessory dwelling unit (ADU) policy on the contributing factors to ADU development: A Case of the City of Los Angeles. *Journal of Housing and the Built Environment*.

Reviewed Conference Papers

Garcia, B., Contradiction in Public Transport Urbanism. Architecture Media Politics Society Conference, The City and Complexity – Life, Design and Commerce in the Built Environment, Held Online, June 17-19, 2020.

Garcia, B., Density and Demographics in Los Angeles Transit-Oriented Development. Cities in the 21st Century the International Seminar on Urban Form, Held Online, Sep 1-4, 2020.

Editor Reviewed Publications

Garcia, B. (Autumn 2020). Urban Design Review in the Creative Milieu Los Angeles, *Urban Design Group Journal*, London, UK.

Garcia, B. (July 25, 2019). “Does Urban Design Make a Difference in Public Transport Planning?”, *The Bartlett Blog* by the Bartlett Faculty of the Built Environment, University College London.

<https://www.ucl.ac.uk/bartlett/news/2019/jul/does-urban-design-make-difference-public-transport-planning>

Published Theses

Garcia, Brian Paul; (2019) Place and Public Transport: Station Area Characteristics in Relation to Passenger Rail Ridership. Doctoral thesis (Ph.D), UCL (University College London).

<https://discovery.ucl.ac.uk/id/eprint/10074770/>

Garcia, B. (2006). *Conceptual street art as a means of democratic participation*. Ann Arbor, MI: ProQuest Information and Learning Company.

<https://www.proquest.com/openview/3c0817556e7937c7755dc886170eb799/1?pq-origsite=gscholar&cbl=18750&diss=y>

In the Publication Process

Garcia, B. (2021) Time for High Speed Rail in California, The Commons, College of Environmental Design, Cal Poly Pomona. The final version has been accepted.

AWARDS AND GRANTS

2022	MIT Professional Education Junior Faculty Scholarship.
2021	Research, Creative and Scholarly Activities Grant Award, Cal Poly Pomona.
2021 to Present	Faculty Led Curriculum Design Grant, Cal State Universities.
2020 – 2021	Accessory Dwelling Unit Research Grant, Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG). Co-Principal Investigator.
2020 – 2021	Research Through Inclusive Opportunities Grant, Cal Poly Pomona.
2019 – 2020	Early Career Research Grant, Cal Poly Pomona.
2014 – 2015	Yale Bursary Scholarship, Yale University and University College London.
2014 – 2015	Collaborative Exchange Fellowship Yale University and University College London.
2012 – 2015	Field Work Funding, Bartlett School of Planning, University College London.
2014	Research Project Funding Award for work at University of Hong Kong, University College London Doctoral School.

CERTIFICATES AND CREDENTIALS

2022	Certified Urban Planner, American Institute of Certified Planners.
2022	Certificate, Transportation Networks and Smart Mobility: Methods and Solutions, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) Professional Education.
2020	Promoting Active Learning Online, Micro-Credential, Association of College and University Educators.
2013	Associate Fellow, Teaching in Higher Education, Higher Education Academy United Kingdom.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Council for Graduate and Faculty Scholarship, Cal Poly Pomona. 2020 – 2022.

Committee to increase research at Cal Poly Pomona and allocate research funds.

Undergraduate Research Faculty Advisory Committee Cal Poly Pomona. Spring 2020 – 2022. Committee to promote undergraduate research through conferences and publications

Dean Search Committee, College of Environmental Design, Cal Poly Pomona
Development of position listing, dissemination and review of candidates. Fall 2021 – 2022.

Emergency Action Committee, 11/11/20 and 5/12/21.

Two review processes for College of Environmental Design student applications for emergency funding due to COVID-19, job losses and other personal trauma.

Kellogg Honors College Advisory Council member. Strategizing new recruitment. Fall 2020 – 2022.

EXPERIENCE

2013 – 2016

Research Assistant

University College London

Bartlett School of Planning

Employed to support several research projects including sustainability in higher education, the environmental and cultural impacts of cafes on London's changing high streets, and sustainability in the construction industries.

2014

Visiting Researcher

University of Hong Kong

Department of Social Work and Administration

Funded independent research project on the Hong Kong MTR passenger rail system and transit-oriented developments, including site-analysis, data collection and interviews with planning officials.

2012

Visiting Researcher

University of California Los Angeles

Institute of the Environment and Sustainability

Arizona State University

School of Sustainable Engineering & the Built Environment

Hosted and funded to map passenger rail station areas in Los Angeles concerning environmental life cycle analysis.

- 2013 **Graduate Internship**
Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority, Environmental Compliance and Services Department
Worked to advance research on the changing passenger rail system and land use developments in Los Angeles. Collaborated on a variety of sustainability efforts to reduce LA Metro's carbon footprint.
- 2009 **Design Guidance Graduate Internship**
Urban Design Studio, Department of City Planning Los Angeles
Produced design guidance documents pertaining to dense housing, historic district signage and street wall heights for the City Planning Department of Los Angeles.
- 2008 – 2009 **Senior Urban Designer**
Aedas Urban Design and Landscape LTD. Hong Kong
Managed an international team to produce large design document sets for high-rise residential developments and master plans in China, India, Singapore and Kazakhstan. Working group on promoting sustainable practices for firm.
- 2007 – 2008 **Consultant**
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, Creative Services Department
Design guidance, graphic design and construction standards for LA Metro system.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- 2022 – Present **Member**, Unite States Bus Rapid Transit Community of Practice Network, Institute for Transportation and Development Policy (ITDP).
- 2021 – Present **Member**, Los Angeles Regional Collaborative (LARC).
- 2021 – Present **Committee Member**, Climate Adaptation Policy Working Group, LARC.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- Garcia, B., The Impacts of Public Transport Station Activity on the Local Built Environment in World Cities; Balancing Macro Benefits with Neighborhood Costs, European Urban Research Association (EURA), Online, May 6 – May 7, 2021.
- Garcia, B., Place and Public Transport: Station Area Characteristics in Relation to Passenger Rail Ridership. Planning Research Conference, Planning for Infrastructures, Sheffield, UK, September 3 – 5, 2018.