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### **EDUCATION**

- 2019 – Present University of Pennsylvania, Weitzman School of Design, Philadelphia, PA, USA, Master of City Planning in Public Private Development, 3-2 program (May 2021)
- 2016 – 2020 Bryn Mawr College, Bryn Mawr, PA, USA, B.A. Growth and Structure of Cities (May 2020)
- 2013 – 2016 Anatolia College, Thessaloniki, Greece, High School Diploma
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### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

- January 2019 – May 2019 *Student Intern at PACDC*: Interning at the Philadelphia Association of Community Development Corporations. Working closely with the Policy Director, focusing on the economic development of Philadelphia's neighborhoods and the commercial corridors. Researching and writing a report for internal planning and external advocacy purposes that highlights PACDC member's economic development, workforce development, and job training programmatic work. (8 hours per week)
- September 2018 – May 2019 *Faculty Research Assistant at Bryn Mawr College*: Assisting a professor within the Cities department with creating and enriching an accessible database containing archives on the spatial history of the Philadelphia area. Decoding handwritten home insurance accounts from the 19<sup>th</sup> century and researching the old and current location of each building using archival and current maps of Philadelphia.
- June 2018 *Architectural Summer Intern at Proctor and Matthews Architects (London, UK)*: Assisted with the firm's exhibition for the London Festival of Architecture, made figure ground drawings, familiarized myself with the fundamentals of MicroStation and AutoCAD. (8 hours per day for 1 month)
- September 2017 – 2019 *Student Supervisor at Bryn Mawr College Dining Hall*: In charge of student workers, making sure that the shifts run smoothly while performing tasks similar to the workers, developing strong customer service skills in high volume environment. (8 hours per week)
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### **FELLOWSHIPS**

- Summer 2019 *Hanna Holborn Gray Research Fellow*: Independently designed a research project on London's commercial and food service pop-up venues to determine if these alternative structures have sparked development or revitalization in three selected neighborhoods. Conducted field research and interviews in London, UK, created a research paper to discuss findings and limitations, presented research project at Bryn Mawr College.
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### **SKILLS**

Leadership, Teamwork & Communication, Conflict Management, Adaptability, Creative Problem Solving & Quick Thinking, Active Listening, Open to Criticism, Ability to Work Independently, Multitasking, Market Analysis & Pro Forma, Research, Attention to Detail.

ArcGIS

Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint)

SketchUp

RStudio Semester course in graduate degree

AutoCAD Beginner (utilized it during summer internship)

Adobe Creative Suite (InDesign, Illustrator) Intermediate

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## LANGUAGES

Greek	Native
English	Fluent
French	Intermediate (3 years in High School and 2 years in college)
German	A1 Certificate (May 2012), B1 Certificate (May 2013)
Ancient Greek	Advanced (read, write, translate texts)
Latin	Advanced (read, write, translate texts)

## RELATED COURSEWORK

- Introduction to Property Development: Learned the basics of development such as building a pro forma, market study, market analysis, development process etc
- Progressive Development: Learned about key policy tools involved in development such as LIHTC, NMTCs, TIF, Revolving Loan Funds, CLTs, Land Leases, Energy Benchmarking, Zoning Bonuses, and Community Benefit Agreements
- UrbanPlan by ULI: This module by the Urban Land Institute, taught me how to go through the development process. The project included financial analysis, marketing, and working with an RFP. Presenting in front of the “City Council” was an educational experience and helped me understand how to create a development that satisfies the developer but also the city.
- Workshop: Worked on a low-income Philadelphia neighborhood with a team, in order to redevelop it and create a new comprehensive plan that ensures the resilience of the site’s character while improving the lives of the residents.