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PERSONAL PROFILE

I am a dedicated architect with over three years of post-Part 3 experience and more than eight years of professional practice across five architectural firms. I hold both a Master's and an Honours degree from the University of Strathclyde. As a native English speaker with a passion for languages, I speak Japanese and I am currently studying Spanish with the aim of sitting my first DELE exam.

In 2009, I moved to Japan to work as an English teacher, seizing the opportunity to immerse myself in a new language and culture. Upon my return to the UK in 2018, I joined NORR, where I became an integral part of the design team for the Grade B restoration project at Brora Distillery. Primarily working during RIBA Stages 4 and 5, my responsibilities included producing all production drawings, which required an in-depth understanding of both contemporary and traditional construction methods.

In 2020, I joined Kerr AT Architects, a sole practitioner firm, where I completed my Part 3 in 2021. As the project architect for two residential projects, I was also deeply involved in several other residential projects, participating in all stages of the design process alongside the director.

Seeking to expand my professional network and undertake greater career challenges, I relocated to London in 2022. During this period, I served as the project architect for a refurbishment and extension project at the Grade II listed Woodberry Down Children's Centre, as well as a refurbishment project at Harrow Cricket Pavilion.

In preparation for my Part 3 exam, I was a member of the winning team in the 2020 Part 3 Contract Game, an annual competition among three universities and twenty teams.

I am deeply passionate about architecture and I am driven to create generous, adaptable, and authentic designs.

Outside of my professional life, I am an avid guitarist. I enjoy painting, sketching, and exploring new cities and places. I am also committed to studying Spanish daily.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Architect - Rivington Street Studio, London, UK

Sep 2022 - Aug 2024
(1 year + 11 months)

- Project architect for a children's centre and a cricket pavilion.
- Implemented significant changes to Stage 4 packages.
- Led two projects through to completion.
- Performed all contract administration duties as required.
- Produced all BREEAM submissions to achieve a 'very good' rating.

Architect - Kerr AT Architects, Inverness, UK

Feb 2021 - Sep 2022
(1 year + 7 months)

- Project architect for two housing extensions now completed.
- Produced site reports, issued interim certificates and tender packages.
- Collaborated on a range of housing projects through all work stages.

Part II Architectural Assistant - Kerr AT Architects, Inverness, UK

Sept 2020 - Feb 2021
(5 months)

- Managed planning applications and building warrants for housing projects as well as all further correspondence with building standards.
- Created BIM models and mentored others in the office on software issues.

Part II Architectural Assistant - NORR Consultants Ltd, Inverness, UK

July 2018 - Sept 2020
(2 years + 2 months)

- Produced all 330+ pages of production drawings for the restoration of Brora Whisky Distillery.
- Issued construction drawings and revised packages.
- Implemented a Project Execution Plan to improve performance.
- Liaised with the lead engineer and contractor on an almost daily basis.

English University Tutor + Teacher - NUFS, Interac, Cosmo, ALC, Nagoya, Japan

Jul 2009 - May 2018
(9 years + 2 months)

- Led intensive CPD training seminars for senior management executives.
- Delivered interactive lectures and lessons to university students.
- Designed and implemented course structures.

Part II Architectural Assistant - Duco Architects Ltd, Glasgow, UK

Jun 2007 - Jul 2008
(1 year + 1 month)

- Submitted planning and building warrant packages for commercial projects.
- Produced SketchUp models and renderings for presentations.

Part II Architectural Assistant - CMCC Architects, Glasgow, UK

Mar 2006 - Jun 2007
(1 year + 3 months)

- Submitted planning and building warrant applications for commercial and residential projects.
- Provided technical details and 3D renderings for a water treatment plant.

EDUCATION

RIBA APEAS Part 3 Examination in Professional Practice and Management

Feb 2021

MArch Advanced Architectural Studies

Sept 2004 - Jan 2006

University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, UK

BSc (Hons) Architectural Studies

Sept 1999 - May 2004

University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, UK

SOFTWARE SKILLS

Proficient in: AutoCad, Revit, Vectorworks, SketchUp, Enscape, V-Ray, Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, Procreate, Morpholio and competent in sketching and hand drawing