AREZO HAKEMY

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Education

Anticipated May 2025

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA

Master of Science in Architectural Studies

Aga Khan Program for Islamic Architecture

Kaufman Teaching Certificate

May 2019

Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY

Bachelor of Architecture, Minor: History of Architecture

Thesis: But Soft! Fabricating Adaptive Urbanism

Thesis partners: Sabrina Logroño and Caroline Barrick

Committee: Britt Eversole, Julie Larsen, and Sinéad C. Mac Namara

Experience

September 2023 - Present

Research Assistant, Aga Khan Program for Islamic Architecture at MIT, Cambridge, MA

Assisted faculty with research projects, map-making, architectural drawing and 3-D Modeling

2019 - 2023

Designer, Perkins&Will, Dallas, TX

- Specialized in healthcare architecture design
- Developed projects from schematic design through construction documentation
- Supervised BIM modeling with consultants to promote efficiency in model management
- Drew and constructed design standards document for client in collaboration with architects, consultants, and client

2016-2017

Architectural Intern, VLK Architects, Fort Worth, TX

Developed construction documents for education projects

Mentorship

2024

AMP Mentor, MIT Department of Architecture, Cambridge, MA

2021-2023

Perkins&Will Outreach Committee, Dallas Independent School District, Dallas, TX

2019

Architecture, Construction and Engineering (ACE) Mentor Program, Dallas, TX

Fellowships and Awards

September 2023 - Present

Aga Khan Program Fellowship, Department of Architecture, MIT

2024

Charles Correa Fund for Housing and Urbanism Travel Award, Leventhal Center for Advanced Urbanism, MIT

2018

King+King Architects Leadership by Design Competition, *First Place*, Syracuse University School of Architecture

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2018

Council on Tall Buildings and Urban Habitat International Student Tall Building Design Competition, Semi-Finalist

Presentations and Publications

February 2025

"Land as Commodity and Culture," SILT Magazine, Volume 2: Entwined, MIT Department of Urban Studies and Planning

https://siltmagazine.cargo.site/hakemy-land-as-commodity-and-culture

October 2024

"Panel: Urbanization of/and World Heritage," The Design Politics of Inhabited "World Heritage" Sites Symposium, MIT Department of Urban Studies and Planning, Cambridge, MA

July 2024

"Silk Road Image-Making and National Identity: The Case of Bukhara," AMPS Urban Futures - Cultural Pasts Conference, Barcelona, Spain

Exhibitions

April 2024

"Changing Room," *Support Team*, Shift+W, MIT Department of Architecture, Cambridge, MA 2018

"Innovation Showcase," Participant and Exhibitor, Syracuse Center for Excellence, Syracuse, NY