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EDUCATION

MSc. Urban Planning and Design, KTH – Royal Institute of Technology, 2008/2010
Jagiellonian University, Krakow, Poland, 2006/2007
B.S., Grand Valley State University, 2002/2006

BIO

I'm working through the research project Urban Form and Human Behavior, studying the ways that we use and design the urban environment. I'm interested in solutions that improve underutilized urban spaces, ultimately in an effort to make cities more attractive places to live, and better alternatives to traditional sprawl. I will be focusing on "Placemaking" as a tool and strategy for urban revitalization in communities. I come from an interdisciplinary background, focusing on city and regional planning, sustainability, and urban design. Before beginning my PhD studies, I worked as a research assistant on a project looking at public housing in the US and in Sweden.

AREAS OF INTEREST

Urban Design, Placemaking, Tactical Urbanism, Urban Form, Urban Morphology

SCHOLARSHIPS

Kosciuszko Foundation Year Abroad Fellowship, 2006/2007
Ax: son Johnson Foundation Fellowship, 2012/2014

PUBLICATIONS

Locke, R.S., (2012). Sustainable & New Urbanism – A Way for Understanding and Solving the Housing Phenomena of Concentrated Poverty in Alienated Suburbs?. In: Haas, T. "HOUSING 4 HOPE: Essays on Sustainable Dwellings and Opportunity for All." Stockholm:KTH - Royal Institute of Technology Press. III, p1-34. ISBN: 978-91-7501-226-1

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