

RACHEL A. EDMONDS

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Education

University of California, Berkeley, CA, College of Environmental Design

Master of Landscape Architecture, May 2009

Master of City Planning, Economic and Regional Development, May 2006

Georgetown University, Washington, DC, Edmund Walsh School of Foreign Service

B.S. Foreign Service, Culture and Politics, August 1999, *cum laude*

Portland Community College, Portland, OR

Associate of Arts, Transfer Degree, June 1997

Work Experience

Associate, MIG, Inc., Portland, OR

11/2010 – Present

- Created designs for major future downtown streetscape improvements in Pendleton, OR; developed final master plan design drawings and report for a 715-acre multi-use sports park in Jackson County, OR; redrafted major chapters of Charlotte, NC's 2020 Center City Vision Plan.

Landscape Designer, The Oakland Landscape Committee, Oakland, CA

6/2010 – 10/2010

- Created conceptual drawings for an Oakland hills bike rest stop with Chris E. Hecht Landscape Design; developed plans for outdoor classrooms, school gardens, and planting enhancements for Las Juntas Elementary in Martinez, CA.

Graphics Contractor, BlinkTag, Inc., San Francisco, CA

6/2009 – 9/2010

- Created graphics used with navigational Google maps for smartphone applications; produced annotated illustrative map for real estate portfolio firm in San Francisco for web, office display, and promotional print uses. Map is available online at: <http://www.afirealestate.com/southbeach.php>.

CAD Contractor, Ames Alley Neighborhood Association, San Francisco, CA

11/2009 – 2/2010

- Worked for a neighborhood association to produce schematic CAD drawing set for the pedestrian-focused redesign of Ames Street, an alley in the Mission neighborhood of San Francisco. The SF Department of Public Works is the lead partner agency.

Seasonal Design Team Leader, Minted L.L.C., San Francisco, CA

11/2009 – 12/2009

- Supervised designers to fulfill customer orders in fast-paced production environment for a company specializing in customized print stationary products; performed quality-control checks using an intranet web application; provided graphics management support and troubleshoot optimization issues for Minted employees.

Urban Design Intern, San Francisco Planning Department, San Francisco, CA

2/2009 – 8/2009

- Worked with City Design Group staff to compile first-ever draft of *General Urban Design Guidelines for the City of San Francisco*; produced new and edited graphics for San Francisco's *Better Streets Plan*; conducted research on pedestrian lighting guidelines and performance measures; provided graphics assistance to staff in preparation for public meetings.

Graduate Student Instructor

January – May (2007-2009)

UC Berkeley, Department of Landscape Architecture & Environmental Planning

- Assisted course instructor to assemble lectures for LA 130, an introductory course in landscape architecture; assisted students with course papers and exam preparation; provided course lectures; graded exams and term papers; led field trip to San Francisco with instructor.

Course Reader

8/2008 – 12/2008

UC Berkeley, Department of Landscape Architecture & Environmental Planning

- Assisted professor with exam/project grading, field trips, and logistical coordination for LA 111, an introductory course on plants design.

- Landscape Architect Intern, MIG, Inc.,** Portland, OR 6/2008 – 8/2008
- Produced illustrative plan and perspective renderings for landscape and urban design departments; coordinated construction document submissions with subcontractors; assisted with public outreach events and stakeholder meetings; calculated cost estimate for a community park in Hillsboro, Oregon; incorporated as-built changes into plan drawing sets.
- Graduate Student Researcher** 9/2007 – 1/2008
UC Berkeley, Department of Landscape Architecture & Environmental Planning
- Produced digital graphics for Urban Transformation: Understanding City Form and Design, a book by Peter Bosselmann, Professor of Urban Design at UC Berkeley. The book was published by Island Press in November 2008.
- Landscape Architect Intern, Vancouver-Clark Parks and Rec. Dept.,** Vancouver, WA 6/2007 – 8/2007
- Produced conceptual plans and graphics for neighborhood parks; provided website and staff support for a series of community open-houses for a new rails-with-trails project; produced map for City and County officials used for park planning and annexation purposes.
- Intern – Jobs, Income & Assets Program** 7/2005 – 5/2006
The National Economic Development & Law Center, Oakland, CA
- Associate Producer for Radio & Television – “dialogue”** 3/2001 – 7/2004
The Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington, DC
- Program Assistant – Division of International Studies** 8/2000 – 3/2001
The Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington, DC
- Project Assistant – Litigation Practice Group** 8/1999 – 8/2000
Shaw Pittman L.L.P., Washington, DC
- U.S. Senate Intern and Staff Assistant** 6/1999 – 8/1999
The Office of U.S. Senator Ron Wyden (D-OR), Washington, DC

Skill Set

- Proficiency in AutoCAD, Adobe Creative Suite, ArcMap9(GIS), Microsoft Office, Rhino 3d, SketchUp
- Outstanding organizational and research skills
- Experience working in teams to produce designs, presentations, narrative reports, and graphics
- Experience in planning, coordinating, and facilitating public meetings
- Knowledge of California and Oregon plants and ecological factors
- Hand drawing, watercolor, and sketching skills
- Experience coordinating and working with volunteers

Awards, Scholarships & Activities

- Geraldine Knight Scott Travel Fellowship 2009 – 2010
Dixie Transforming: An Exploration of Landscapes of the American South
- Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, Department of Landscape Architecture & Environmental Planning, UC Berkeley 2008 – 2009
- San Francisco Garden Club Design Competition, 3rd Place 2009
- Beatrix Farrand Fellowship August 2007 – May 2009
- USA Funds Access to Education Scholarship 2007 – 2009
- Member, ASLA Student Chapter, UC Berkeley 2006 – 2009
- International Studio – *Master Plan for Koh Lanta Yai, Krabi Province, Thailand* Summer 2006
- International Studio – *Developing a Sustainable Tourism Strategy for Krabi Province, Thailand* Summer 2005

Publications

Edmonds, Rachel, Erin Machell and Brendan Stewart. "Park Merced Towers and Open Space Study - Fall 2008." Submitted as a final report for LA 241: Research Methods in Environmental Design. December 18, 2008. PDF available online at racheledmonds.com/media.

Edmonds, Rachel. "Employment Training and Workforce Service Provision for the Limited English Proficient and Non-Citizens." Professional Report submitted to the Department of City & Regional Planning, UC Berkeley. April 28, 2006.

Edmonds, Rachel and Jackie Tsou. "University-Cedar Open Space Study - Fall 2005." Submitted to the Berkeley Parks and Recreation Commission, City of Berkeley, California. December 13, 2005.