

## EDUCATION

- 2016      **Harvard University**  
Graduate School of Design  
*Doctor of Design (DDes)*  
Thesis Committee: Neil Brenner (chair), Hashim Sarkis, Antoine Picon
- 2011      **University of Toronto**  
John H. Daniels Faculty of Architecture, Landscape and Design  
*Master of Architecture (M.Arch)*  
Advisor: Mason White  
Thesis: "Infostructures: Spatial Typologies for an Emerging Information Economy"
- 2007      **University of Toronto**  
*Honours Bachelor of Arts (Hon. BA)*  
Double major in Art and Art History, Communication, Culture and Information Technology
- 2007      **Sheridan College**  
Diploma in Digital Communication

## ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

- 2014-present      **University of Waterloo** / School of Architecture  
*Lecturer*  
Courses Taught:  
ARCH293 / Summer 2014: 2nd year undergraduate core studio "Species, Spaces And Productive Territories: New Botanic Landscapes"  
ARCH392 / Winter 2015: 3rd year undergraduate core studio "Large Urban Building"  
ARCH684 / Winter 2015: Graduate elective "Information, Communication, And The Evolving Conceptions Of Urban Space"  
ARCH293 / Summer 2015: 2nd year undergraduate core studio "Invisible Landscape: Toronto's Hidden Natures"  
ARCH393 / Fall 2015: 3rd year undergraduate option studio "Setting the Scene: The Film Studio Studio"  
ARCH684 / Fall 2015: Graduate elective "Active Media: Dynamic Representation in Design"  
Masters Thesis Advising and Committee Membership:  
Karan Manchanda / RAM: Remote Arctic Memory / Fall 2015 / External Reader  
Kate Jackson / House(Craft) : Mobile Housing for a New Generation / Fall 2015 / Committee Member  
David McMurchy / Untitled / Winter 2016 (Expected) / Committee Member
- 2013-2014      **Harvard University** / Graduate School of Design  
*Teaching Fellow*  
HIS-40115 / Fall 2013: Responsible for teaching two of the four sections for Prof. Neil Brenner's course on "History and Theory of Urban Interventions".  
DES-03428 / Spring 2014: Teaching for Antoine Picon's course on "Digital Culture, Architecture and the City".

2013-present **Harvard University** / Urban Theory Lab / Graduate School of Design  
*Research Associate*  
Contribute to various projects within the lab.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2012 **Lateral Office** / Toronto, Canada  
*Associate Designer*

2011 **Saucier + Perrotte Architects** / Montreal, Canada  
*Junior Architect*

2009-2010 **KPMB Architects** / Toronto, Canada  
*Intern Architect*

## PRACTICE

2012-present **New Geographies Journal**  
*Editor*  
New Geographies is a journal founded and produced by doctoral candidates at the Harvard University Graduate School of Design and distributed by Harvard University Press.  
Editors: Daniel Daou, **Ali Fard**, Daniel Ibanez, Nikos Katsikis, Taraneh Meshkani, Pablo Perez Ramos  
[www.gsd.harvard.edu/newgeographies](http://www.gsd.harvard.edu/newgeographies)

2010-present **Op.N**  
*Partner*  
Op.N is an experimental research and design office based in Toronto and Cambridge. Op.N's work and research exist at the critical junction of architecture, landscape, and urban processes. The office investigates the operational networks of urbanization, their dialectical relationship to urban agglomerations, and the existing and potential spatial registrations that arise from contextual frictions of such relationships.  
[www.op-n.net](http://www.op-n.net)

## INVITED GUEST CRITIC

**Massachusetts Institute of Technology** / School of Architecture and Planning

2015 - Fall Master of Architecture Thesis R. Ghosn

**University of Toronto** / Daniels Faculty of Architecture, Landscape and Design

2015 - Winter 1<sup>st</sup> Year Core Studio, Master of Architecture M. White, C. Moukheiber  
2015 - Winter Master of Landscape Architecture Thesis A. North

**Harvard University** / Graduate School of Design

2014 - Spring 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester Core Studio, Master of Landscape Architecture A. Berrizbeitia, J. Desimini  
2013 - Fall New Geographies Research Seminar H. Sarkis  
2013 - Fall 3<sup>rd</sup> Semester Core Studio, Master of Landscape Architecture P. Belanger, N. Kirkwood  
2013 - Spring 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester Core Studio, Master of Landscape Architecture A. Berrizbeitia, L. Callejas

## PUBLICATIONS

\* = Contributions, ° = Mentions

Ali Fard, Taraneh Meshkani. Geographies of Information (New Geographies 07), (Cambridge MA: Harvard University Press, 2015)

Ali Fard. "Infostructures: Spatial Typologies for an Emerging Information Economy," in Bracket 3: At Extremes, Sheppard L, Przybylski M, eds. (Barcelona: Actar, Winer 2016). *Forthcoming*

Ali Fard & Ghazal Jafari. "Parallel Networks," in The Water Index, (Charlottesville: UVa, Winter 2016). *Forthcoming*

Ali Fard, "Dissolving the City." *MAS Context* 18 (2013): 52-63.

Ali Fard & Ghazal Jafari. "Tehran: Planning the Unpredictable." *MONU* 17 (2012): 64-71.

Mason White, "Some Recent Strata of Semersuaq," *Conditions*, v.11/12, (Oslo: 2012): 126-133. \*

"NY Parallel Networks", *Azure Magazine, Annual Awards Issue*, Volume 28, No. 217 (JUL 2012). °

W. Myers. "Design and biology: a unified laboratory", *Domus*: www.domusweb.it, Interview with Maria Aiolova. (11/22/2011) °

J. Dailey. "Designers Imagine NYC's water as the 6th Borough", www.inhabitat.com, (08/02/2011) °

Ali Fard. "Re.Link: The Physical Network of Data." *InfraNet Lab Blog*. May 2010. <<http://www.infranetlab.org/blog/re-link-physical-network-data>>.

## PRESENTATIONS

\* = Talks, ° = Conferences, ^ = Exhibitions

2014 "Designing the Operational Landscape" \*  
Presented current research and design work at Op.N  
**University of Michigan, Taubman College of Architecture + Planning** | Ann Arbor, MI

2014 "From Atoms to Bits to Atoms..." \*  
Presented current research on the materiality of information and communication networks  
**Harvard University, Graduate School of Design** | Cambridge, MA

2014 "Projective Views on Urban Metabolism" °  
Co-Organizer, DDes Program Annual Conference  
**Harvard University, Graduate School of Design** | Cambridge, MA

2013 "Open House: Research Presentation" \*  
Presented current research on the operation landscape of information and communication  
**Harvard University, Graduate School of Design** | Cambridge, MA

2013 "Urban Ecologies Conference 2013" \*°  
Presented the paper "Designing the Operation Landscape"  
**OCAD University** | Toronto, ON

- 2012 "Parallel Case: Smart Cities" ^  
International Architecture Biennale Rotterdam  
**Netherlands Architecture Institute (NAi)** | Rotterdam, Netherlands
- 2012 "Water as the 6th Borough" ^  
Exhibited the project "Parallel Networks"  
**The Center for Architecture** | New York, NY
- 2011 "Here Be Monsters" ^  
Exhibited the project "Activating Arctic Lands"  
**University of Toronto, Eric Arthur Gallery** | Toronto, ON
- 2011 "African Perspectives Conference" \*o  
Presented the paper "Emerging Spatial Typologies for a New Information Economy"  
**L'Ecole Supérieure d'Architecture de Casablanca** | Casablanca, Morocco
- 2010 "Landscape as Identity: Representing Change" ^  
Exhibited the project "Liquid Green"  
**University of Toronto, Larry Wayne Richards Gallery** | Toronto, ON

## HONORS, GRANTS & AWARDS

- 2012 Aga Khan Grant for Doctoral Studies / Harvard GSD / Awarded
- 2011 Prix de Rome for Emerging Practitioners / Canada Council for the Arts / U of Toronto Nominee, Finalist
- 2011 YUL-MTL: Moving Landscapes International Ideas Competition / Honorable Mention
- 2011 Canadian Architect Thesis Award / Shortlisted
- 2011 OnePrize Annual Design and Science Award / Awarded
- 2010 Fort Tilden Field House International Competition / Honorable Mention
- 2010 Professional Experience Program / University of Toronto / Shortlisted
- 2008 Landscape as Identity Competition / University of Toronto / Second Prize
- 2007 Faculty Design Award / University of Toronto / Awarded