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Julia is an urban planner and designer. Her doctoral work investigates how state space, in relation to land use change and conservation policy, has/ is leading to specific landscapes and urban development. At Harvard she is a member of the Urban Theory Lab, and is pursuing a secondary field degree in Critical Media Practice, which integrates media production into her academic work. Before coming to Harvard, Julia worked in planning and urban design offices in London and Toronto, and is a registered urban planner in the UK and Ontario. She is a former lecturer at Ryerson University and the University of Waterloo.

EDUCATION

Doctoral Student, Graduate School of Design, Harvard University

[2015 -] Doctorate focusing on urban planning, conservation policy and governance.
Secondary concentration in Critical Media Practice.
Advisor: Prof. Neil Brenner.

Master of Urban Design, Daniels Faculty of Architecture Landscape and Design, University of Toronto

[2013] Graduate thesis focusing on regional strategies for landscape-urban interface conditions.

MSc International Planning, University College London (UCL), Bartlett School of Planning

[2008] Graduate thesis on transportation planning and shared space street design.

BA (Hons) Geography, Queen's University, Canada

[2007] Undergraduate thesis exploring mixed income housing strategies.

QUALIFICATIONS

Chartered Town Planner, Royal Town Planning Institute [MRTPI]
Registered Provincial Planner, Ontario Provincial Planning Institute [RPP]

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS AND AWARDS

[2017] SSHRC Doctoral Fellowship, Canadian Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council.
[2017] Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Graduate Student Research Grant.
[2017] Canadian Center for Architecture, Collection Research Grant, *Residency*.
[2017] Critical Media Practice, Mellon Student Grant.
[2016] Penny White Research Scholarship, Harvard University.
[2016] Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Graduate Student Summer Research Grant.
[2015 -] John E. Irving Fellowship, Harvard University.
[2012] McCuaig-Throop Bursary, University of Toronto.
[2012] Canadian Centre for Architecture, Power Corporation of Canada Award, *Residency*.
[2012-11] Professor George Baird Graduate Student Endowment, University of Toronto.
[2011] Seace Scholarship, University of Toronto.

GROUPS

[2016-] Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Canada Program Research Fellow, Harvard University.
[2016-] Critical Media Practice, Harvard University.
[2015 -] Urban Theory Lab, Doctorate Seminar Group, Graduate School of Design.
[2015 -] Doctor of Design Student Representative, Graduate School of Design.
[2015-16] Design Research Forum, Student Group, Graduate School of Design.

RESEARCH CONTRIBUTIONS

Book

[2017] *for* Lateral Office. *Many Norths: Building in a Polar Territory*. Actar Publishing. *Primary researcher, interviewer, cartographer, book layout and design.*

Chapters in Book

- [2017] Smachylo, J. *Agents of Design: Incentivized Conservation in Southern Ontario's Private Forests (in)* Wood Urbanism: From the Molecular to the Territorial. Actar Publishing.
- [2013] Smachylo, J. *Successional City* in *The Annual 13: Accumulation*. 13 [2013]: 28-31.

Other Publications

- [2009] Smachylo, J. "Capacitycheck: urban design skills appraisal." *Proceedings of the ICE - Urban Design and Planning*, no. 162 [2009]: 99-100.
- [2009] Smachylo, J. "Capacitycheck: a useful urban design tool." *Planning in London*, no. 70 [2009]: 52 - 54.
- [2009] Smachylo, J. "Evolving advice on what spaces are actually for," *Transport Today*, 26, no. 154 [2009].
- [2010] *for* Urban Design Skills. *Quality Reviewer: Appraising the Design Quality of Development Proposals*. Thomas Telford Limited, London. *Primary researcher*.
- [2008] *for* Urban Design Skills. *Capacitycheck: Urban Design Skills Appraisal*. Urban Design Alliance. *Primary researcher*.

Exhibitions and Creative Outputs

- [2014] Lateral Office, *Arctic Adaptations: Nunavut at 15*, Venice Biennale, Team Canada, Honorable Mention. *Deputy curator*.
- [2014] Smachylo, J. *Final Landscapes*, Art House Gallery Installation Show, Toronto. *Head curator*.
- [2014] Smachylo, J and Lavertina, S. *Jardin Artificiel*, Gladstone GrowOP Art Exhibition, Gladstone Hotel Toronto. *Artist, Juried exhibition*.
- [2014] Smachylo, J and Lavertina, S. *Eco-bistro*, The Artist Project, Toronto. *Artist, Juried exhibition*.
- [2013] Smachylo, J. *Successional City*, University of Toronto Exhibition, Daniels Faculty of Architecture Landscape and Design, University of Toronto, Toronto. *Juried exhibition*.
- [2013] Smachylo, J. *Successional City*, Urban Design Awards Exhibition at the City of Toronto, Toronto. *Juried exhibition*.

Conferences, Lectures and Presentations

- [2017] AAG American Association of Geographers 2017 Annual Meeting, Boston. "*Private Forests: Incentive-based conservation approaches in Southern Ontario*."
- [2017] Doctor of Design 30th Anniversary Conference. Boston. "*The Managed Forest*"
- [2012] The Canadian Centre for Architecture Public Lecture. Lagacé, B. Smachylo, J. and Woytiuk, M. "*Sylva-Scape*."
- [2010] National Symposium of Canadian Urbanists (CanU2), Montreal, Quebec, *Organizer*.
- [2010] Canadian Institute of Planners Conference, *Urban design charrette leader*.
- [2009] Commission for the Built Environment [CABE] Urban Design Summer School, Bristol. *Organizer and presenter*.
- [2008] Commission for the Built Environment [CABE] Urban Design Summer School, Newcastle. *Organizer*.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Harvard University, Graduate School of Design

- [Fall 2017] ADV 9306: MDes Open Projects 1, *Research Tutor*.
- [Fall 2016] GSD 4115: The History and Theory of Urban Interventions, *Teaching Fellow*.
- [Fall 2015-2017] GSD 9204: Thesis Preparation Seminar: Theory and Methods for Graduate Research, *Teaching Fellow*.

School of Planning, University of Waterloo

- [Summer 2016] PLAN 313: Community Design Studio, *Instructor*.

School of Urban and Regional Planning, Ryerson University

[Winter 2017] PLG 220: Planning Studio, Digital Representation in Planning, *Co-instructor*.

[Winter 2015] PLG 8110: Advanced Planning Studio, *Co-instructor*.

[Winter 2015] PLG 220: Planning Studio, Digital Representation in Planning, *Co-instructor*.

[Fall 2014] PLG 520: Planning Studio, Secondary Plan for Mimico-Judson, *Co-instructor*.

[Winter 2014] PLG 220: Planning Studio, Digital Representation in Planning, *Co-instructor*.

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

[Winter 2013] ARC 239H: Architectural Theory, *Teaching Assistant*.

[Fall 2012] ARC 232: Architecture, Media, and Communication, *Teaching Assistant*.

INVITED ACADEMIC GUEST CRITIC

Graduate School of Design, Harvard University [2015-2017], University of Waterloo [2014], Ryerson University [2013 - 2017]

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE: PLANNING & URBAN DESIGN

SGL Planning & Design Inc.

[April-August 2015_contract] Urban planner and designer.

Public Work

[November 2014-March 2015_contract] Urban planner and designer.

Lateral Office

[June 2013 - January 2015] Urban designer, architectural researcher and curator.

The Planning Partnership, Toronto

[January 2010 - August 2011] Urban planner and designer.

Urban Design Skills, London UK

[May 2008 - December 2010] Planner and project manager and researcher.

London Borough of Camden, UK

[January - April 2008] Land use surveyor and data analyst.