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Julia is a doctoral candidate at Harvard University, an urban designer, and a registered urban planner in Ontario and the UK. Her research responds to the increased awareness and value of natural capital in research and policy, as well as the influence of non-state actors such as environmental organizations, landowners, and the private sector in shaping landscapes. 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.

## **EDUCATION**

### **Doctoral Candidate, Graduate School of Design [GSD], Harvard University**

[2015 - ] Doctorate focusing on urban planning, environmental conservation 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 on mixed income housing strategies.

## **QUALIFICATIONS**

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

## **FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS AND AWARDS**

[2018] Graham Foundation Grant, New Geographies 10: Fallow.  
[2018] John R. Meyer Dissertation Fellowship, Joint Center for Housing Studies.  
[2018] Laurier Archives Joan Mitchell Travel Award, Wilfrid Laurier University, Residency.  
[2017] SSHRC Doctoral Fellowship, Canadian Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council.  
[2017] Canada Program Research Grant, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs.  
[2017] Canadian Center for Architecture, Residency.  
[2017] Critical Media Practice, Mellon Student Grant, Harvard Graduate School of Arts and Sciences.  
[2016] Penny White Research Scholarship, Harvard GSD.  
[2016] Graduate Student Summer Research Grant, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs.  
[2015] John E. Irving Fellowship, Harvard University.

## **GROUPS**

[2018] Joint Center for Housing Studies, Housing Research Seminar Series.  
[2017-] Editorial Board Member, New Geographies Journal, Harvard GSD.  
[2016-] Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Canada Program Affiliate, Harvard University.  
[2016-] Critical Media Practice, Harvard Graduate School of Arts and Sciences.  
[2015 -] Urban Theory Lab, Doctorate Seminar Group, Harvard GSD.  
[2015 -] Doctor of Design Student Representative, Harvard GSD.  
[2015-16] Design Research Forum, Student Group, Harvard GSD.

## RESEARCH CONTRIBUTIONS

### Book Chapters

- [2018] Smachylo, J. *Agents of Design: Incentivized Conservation in Southern Ontario's Private Forests* (in) Wood Urbanism: From the Molecular to the Territorial. Actar Publishing.
- [2017] *with* Lateral Office. *Many Norths: Spatial Practice in a Shifting Territory*. M. White, L. Sheppard (Eds.) New York, New York: Actar.

### Articles

- [2019] Editor, *New Geographies 10: Fallow*, forthcoming spring 2019
- [2013] Smachylo, J. 'Successional City' in *The Annual 13: Accumulation*. 13: 28-31.
- [2010] *for* Urban Design Skills inc. *Quality Reviewer: Appraising the Design Quality of Development Proposals*. Thomas Telford Limited, London. Primary researcher.
- [2009] Smachylo, J. "Capacitycheck: Urban Design Skills Appraisal." *Proceedings of the ICE - Urban Design and Planning*, no. 162: 99–100.
- [2009] Smachylo, J. "Capacitycheck: A Useful Urban Design Tool." *Planning in London*, no. 70: 52 -54.
- [2009] Smachylo, J. "Evolving Advice On What Spaces Are Actually For," *Transport Today*, 26, no. 154.

### Exhibitions, Competitions and Creative Outputs

- [2014] *with* Lateral Office, *Arctic Adaptations: Nunavut at 15*, Venice Biennale, Team Canada, Honorable Mention. Deputy curator.
- [2014] Smachylo, J. Art House Gallery Installation Show, Toronto. Head curator.
- [2014] Smachylo, J and Lavertina, S. *Jardin Artificial*, 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] *with* Lateral Office, *Rockaway Rising: For A Resilient Rockaway*, Design Competition. Phase I (selected).
- [2013] Smachylo, J. *Successional City*, University of Toronto Exhibition, Daniels Faculty of Architecture Landscape and Design, University of Toronto. Juried exhibition.
- [2013] Smachylo, J. *Successional City*, Urban Design Awards Exhibition at the City of Toronto, Toronto. Juried exhibition.

### Conferences, Lectures and Presentations

- [2018] Political Ecology Network (POLLEN) Biennial Conference. *Incentivizing Landscape Conservation*. Presenter.
- [2017] Wood at Work 2017 Annual Meeting, Montreal. *Constructing Ecologies*. Presenter
- [2017] AAG American Association of Geographers 2017 Annual Meeting, Boston. *Private Forests: Incentive-based Conservation Approaches in Southern Ontario*. Presenter
- [2017] Doctor of Design 30th Anniversary Conference. Boston. *The Managed Forest*. Presenter.
- [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

- [Winter 2018] GSD 9148 Miami Resilience: Affordability and Health, Advanced Research Seminar, Teaching Fellow.
- [Fall/Winter 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, 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 [2015-2018], University of Waterloo [2014], Ryerson University [2013 - 2017], Roger Williams University, School of Architecture, Art and Historic Preservation [2017].

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE: PLANNING & URBAN DESIGN****SGL Planning & Design Inc.**

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

**Public Work**

[November 2014-March 2015] 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] Urban planner, designer, project manager and researcher.

**London Borough of Camden, UK**

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