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CAREER SUMMARY; accomplishments at the World Bank as an Urban and Regional Planner

Ana Maria Carvajal joined the World Bank Institute's Urban Team in 2001, as a consultant, to work with her experience as a licensed Architect and Urban Planner in advancing city development strategies. Worked in the design, preparation, and delivery coordination of the City Management and Urban Development Program's courses for mayors and city officials in several countries in Latin American and the Caribbean Region (LAC Region). Handled the Urban Management's Core Course Annual Deliveries and the incorporation of new program modules into the core training course. Besides the essential program topics (local economic development, city strategies and governance, corruption reduction, public-private partnerships for service provision, land use, poverty reduction, urban transport, and revenue sources of cities / budgeting & financing), her mayor topics, and primary focuses of interest were: Disability & Development, Investing in Children Youth Towards Sustainable City Growth (co-authoring an instruction manual on the topic), Street Children, and Crime & Violence Prevention. Introduced to the program in 2003, the Specialization Course on Disaster Risk Management, evaluating the economic effects of natural disasters (structural loss and recovery) and collaborated in the launch of the Land Management Specialization Course. Furthermore, became web instructor for the online Disaster Risk Management courses (at global and Latin American levels), and participated in the development of materials and pre-recordings (video and audio) of presentations both in English and Spanish. Experience in delivering the courses includes presentation skills besides being facilitator, moderator, and guest speaker at a series of events throughout Latin America. Also mainstreamed gender issues in Urban Development Policy, studied the effects of abuse and violence, and served as liaison between the World Bank Institute and other Bank staff in the review of strategic planning approaches in the LAC region. Has experience in replicating, organizing and delivering courses in different modalities such as Face to Face, DL (Distance Learning through videoconferencing via GDLN – Global Development Learning Network), and mixed DL-web based formats. Handled the new material's development, preparation of contracts, agreements with partner institutions and budget for the administered courses, including the revision of existing materials (both content and translation in English and Spanish) and the development of new workbooks for capacity building seminars. Was responsible for strategic World Bank Institute's partnerships with diverse networks of mayors, education centers/universities, and centers of Investigation in the LAC region, as well as other international organizations such as the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy (LILP in Cambridge Massachusetts), the International Union of Local Authorities (IULA in the Hague, Netherlands), and the Inter-American Coalition for Violence Prevention which is a joint effort of the World Bank, the Pan American Health Organization, and the Inter-American Development Bank among others. Participated as the World Bank coordinator with the Colombian government and the ESAP (Escuela Superior de Administración Pública/ Superior School of Public Administration-Colombia) in the design and development of the nation-wide capacity building training for newly elected mayors in 2003, delivered via videoconferencing for Guatemala and 6 Colombian cities simultaneously and transmitted from those cities nation-wide through the regional TV Institutional broadcasting networks. (Because of the violence and threats to the lives of mayors, special security measures were developed, special tactics established and implemented during this event for the participants at the different locations; such measures having proven successful -after careful evaluation- were later studied and adopted as a regular procedure by the security team in the World Bank. A Spot Award was earned for this unique contribution).

Before joining the World Bank (1993-2001) worked independently and with architectural firms in Architectural Design, Architectural Preservation and Restoration projects, and later as Professor/Studio Director in Urban Design of Design Studios VI and VII for architects in Universidad Javeriana in Colombia. Was involved mostly in Urban Planning Research even though personal interests also include Urban Design and Historic Inner Cities' Adaptive Re-Use Issues. Anthropology and archaeology studies have strongly influenced her way to conceive cities' live and movement, as well as her study of their planning and growth.

Ana Maria is a Colombian Architect from Universidad de Los Andes, with a Master's in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, with master's in Fine and Applied arts in Interior Design complementing her work in Adaptive Re-use of Historical Buildings and reinforcing her design skills as an architect in design and renovation projects.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Interior Architect/Interior Designer (Sole Proprietor AMC Designs) -Part Time (Beverly, MA) Fall 2014 – Summer 2015.

Design and development, concept through execution/project management of interior design/residential work. Complementary to previous teaching experience, often participated after MFA's graduation as guest critic of Endicott's Interior Design student's final presentations.

Architect and Urban Development Advisor (Consultant) Independent-Part Time (Danvers-MA) March 2008 – Fall 2010.

Research and Design analysis guiding the development of a 800 acres citadel project including land use planning and self-sustainable development strategies for a private non-for-profit organization. The project aims at servicing permanent housing for community members (lay brothers and monastic cloistered religious), with permanent and in-transit housing for abandoned/abused children, permanent educational facilities from elementary to technical career opportunities for youth 18 and older, workshops for in-house production and storage of produced/processed goods, and medical facilities for children with special-needs and developmental challenges.

Urban Specialist (Consultant) Independent Part Time (Bogotá-Colombia). November 2005 – September 2007.

Evaluation and research of city development strategies and policy approaches in several cities including regional legislature in youth development strategies and their participation as stakeholders and advisors in plans on city growth and violence reduction approaches. Promoted and enhanced participatory youth processes aimed at reducing violence, increasing economic growth, and provision of alternative development strategies including hazard reduction and their volunteer work in disaster risk management prevention & reconstruction issues.

Architect (Remodeling, Restoration) Independent Part Time (Bogotá-Colombia). November 2005 – September 2007.

Renovation of historical and modern private housing projects. Development of design proposals, and management of all project's related issues, issuing and establishing working crew's contracts, and directing/supervising work related tasks including demolition work, and all others up to interior design details. Completion of individual projects included renovation of all residential living/work areas with personal designs and customized furniture design for bathrooms, kitchen, master bedroom, dining, and living rooms. Worked in association with a furniture factory owner, providing state of the art designs to their pre-existing and new clients, and incorporating them in the execution of interior design projects, as custom made furnishings of projects.

Urban Specialist (Consultant) The World Bank Institute (Washington, D.C.). November 2001 – June 2006.

Expanding World Bank Institute's Urban Program in Latin America, focusing on strengthening governance and capacity building for staff at local and national governments that deal with issues in disaster risk management, urban development, city planning - management issues, and disability & development.

(see:<http://web.worldbank.org/WBSITE/EXTERNAL/NEWS/0,,contentMDK:20244035~menuPK:34457~pagePK:34370~piPK:34424~theSitePK:4607,00.html>)

Professor (Internship Supervisor for Universidad Javeriana's Students (Washington, D.C.). Fall 2001.

Internship Supervisor for students doing their professional practice/internship in the D.C. Area.

Professor (Studio Director) Universidad Javeriana (Bogotá, Colombia). Spring 2000.

Urban Design Studio for Architects ("Reshaping Inner Cities in Decay").

Designed course program including: case studies of common urban problems over the world, evaluation methods, urban analysis, design and planning of proposed solutions, adaptive re-use of existing buildings to be considered for the overall success, and project direction and evaluation of urban and architectural proposals made by students. Built environment: Bogotá's Inner City.

Professor (Studio Director) Universidad Javeriana. (Bogotá, Colombia). Fall 1999.

Design Studio for Architects ("Redressing Deficient Public Infrastructure in the Provision of Low and Middle-Income Housing"). Program included: Residential housing design. Urban analysis / planning, project direction and evaluation of architectural proposals made by students.

Architect (Residential) Military Police Forces. (Bogotá, Colombia). *September 1994 - June 1995.*

Designed, programmed, managed and supervised all restoration works in the remodeling of military housing for officers in a military base, including material's purchases, contractors and workers' contracts. Trained in construction work, a particular crew of assigned military men doing their military obligatory service, in order to execute the project.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE while an Architecture student / Intern.

Architect (Design Division), Anzellini Bohm Maté Architects & Constructors. (Bogotá, Colombia). *Dec. 1993 - April 1994.*

- Commercial Design: Review of Pre-design/programming of an existing project, team leader/management advancement from schematic to design-development blueprints of a small shopping center that included architectural preservation of an existing building. Project as designed was constructed by the firm.
- Residential Design: Review of Pre-design/programming of an existing project, proposed schematics and advanced into design-development of blueprints of housing for elderly people.

Architect (Design and Sale's Departments) Tecnofijaciones Hilti. (Bogotá, Colombia). *May 1993 - August 1993.*

Trained & licensed to operate Hilti's Construction Fastening Systems. Consultant at interface of design/construction. Demonstrated and operated Hilti's products on construction fairs and construction sites.

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

Endicott College. Master of Fine Arts (MFA) in Interior Design. *Fall 2010 – Summer 2014.*

The graduate program model integrates preparing students for both professional Interior Design Practice and Interior Design Education aimed at teaching at an advanced level. The program integrates theory and practice through required courses in Interior Design Firm Management and in Education Practicum. Course work included two Educational Practicum courses (teaching strategies) and a program-based teaching assistantship practicum on Building Systems and Integrated Designs.

Thesis title: "**Diminishing the Effects of Violence, Abuse, and Neglect through Interior Design Approaches**". Included an adaptive re-use proposal for a building in disuse, implementing proposed strategies of the developed "toolkit of approaches on Enhancing Autonomy and Emotional Development of Children, victims of violence, abuse and neglect".

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Master in Urban and Regional Planning. *Fall 1996 - Spring 1999.*

Dissertation Title: "**Evaluating the Impact of Rail-Trail Conversion Projects on Property Values: Empirical Evidence from The Illinois Prairie Path**". Quantile regression methods were used to assess how the location of housing units with respect to a trail affects their value, once housing characteristics are corrected for. G.I.S. mapping was used to determine the distance of each unit to the trail.

Course work included most classes of the double degree program with architectural preservation; experience preparing real nominations to submit and recording historic buildings.

Parkland College. (Champaign, Illinois) Non-degree Courses in Microeconomics and Statistics. *Spring 1996.*

In preparation for entering the masters, and in fulfillment of pre-requisites before enrollment.

Universidad de Los Andes (Bogotá, Colombia). Architecture. B.A. (5 year's track) *August 1989 - March 1995.*

Thesis Project: "**Reordenamiento del Espacio Público del Centro Histórico - Tunja**". **Reordering of the Public Space of the Historic's Inner City - Tunja.**) Included Urban Design, blueprints of urban area, mass transit evaluation and design of transit proposal, architectural restoration and open space plans. The objective: to link historical/archaeological sites through pedestrian oriented streets linked at strategic points with newly proposed mass transit system, to protect Native Baroque architecture of the XVI century.

B.A included as focal interest points Urbanism, Anthropology and Archaeology classes, aiming at Urban planning law and historic preservation

Special training: One summer semester in Cartagena (Fortified world heritage walled inner city in Bolivar, Colombia- South America) enrolled in Urban and Architectural Restoration Workshop, as complementary optional training towards the B.A.

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Architect (Consultant/volunteer) Evergreen School. (Kensington, Maryland, USA). *Jan 2001 - June 2001.*

Participated in the design, programming, management, and setup of playground facilities for children ages 2 ½ to 12.

Teaching Assistant. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. *Fall 1998, Summer 1998, Spring 1998.*

Architectural History, Urban Design, Urban Planning Research.

Teaching Assistant - Universidad de Los Andes. Bogotá, Colombia. *Fall 1993, Spring 1993.*

Theory of Architecture.

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE (certificates/participation)

AutoCAD Courses at "*Intercad Systems*", **Bogotá, Colombia.** *April 1994.*

International Forums of Architecture:

Latin America; Crossroads (América Latina; Cruce de Caminos). **Bogotá, Colombia.** *March 1994.*

Meeting of Two Worlds (Encuentro de Dos Mundos). **Bogotá, Colombia.** *April 1992.*

The House, The Dwelling (La Casa, La Vivienda). **Bogotá, Colombia.** *April 1990.*

PROFESIONAL AREAS OF INTEREST

Architectural / Urban Preservation of Historic Places, Governance and City Management issues. Disaster Risk Management. Urban Violence Prevention. Urban Design / Development, Sprawl / Growth Management, and Anthropology.

Personal Interests related to these areas: Photography, History of Ancient Cultures, Archaeology, and Restoration.

PERSONAL AREAS OF INTEREST

Strengthening a firm and solid foundation of the value of moral and ethical laws of social behavior to create protection networks for the children, the poor, the disabled, the elderly, the minorities and the disadvantaged. Social work focused on the respect of life and the dignity of it through the respect of human rights, and the abolition of human trafficking and abuse. Capacity building for removing barriers for street children's re-insertion into society, reduction of the effects of trauma, post-traumatic syndromes, abuse, harassment, neglect, street violence, and procuring the enhancement of planning approaches to provide support to volunteers in Charitable Non-for-profit Organizations

SOFTWARE KNOWLEDGE

Revit, Sketchup, Basic AutoCAD, PowerPoint, Microsoft Word, PageMaker, Excel, Basic Microsoft Project.

Some use of MicroStation Project and SPSS for urban planning statistics and volume analysis. Basic web publishing & E-publish from keeping the web pages and design of publications of the Urban team while in the World Bank Institute in 2001.