



SCHOOL OF  
ARCHITECTURE,  
PLANNING & PRESERVATION

# Winter 2020 Commencement Program

*Architecture*

*Urban Studies and Planning*

*Historic Preservation*

*Real Estate Development*

*PhD in Urban and Regional Planning and Design*

**20 December 2020 | 2:00 pm**

VIRTUAL

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# 2020 December Commencement Ceremony

## WELCOME AND CONGRATULATIONS

**Donald W. Linebaugh, Ph.D., RPA, Interim Dean**

School of Architecture, Planning and Preservation

## KEYNOTE COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

**Marques King, RA, NCARB, CNU**

Architect + Urban Designer + Developer

## STUDENT COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

**Ava T. Omidvar**, Master of Architecture

**Samuel C. Bohmfalk**, Master of Historic Preservation &  
Master of Real Estate Development

**Narges A. Borumand**, Master of Community Planning

**Hussam Mansoor**, Master of Real Estate Development

**Ryan A. Gott**, Bachelor of Science in Architecture

## RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

Program Directors

**Brian Kelly**, AIA, Director of Architecture Program

Associate Dean for Development & Faculty Affairs

**Madlen Simon**, AIA, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs & Outreach

**Casey Dawkins**, Ph.D., Director of Community Planning & Ph.D. Programs

**Maria Day-Marshall**, J.D. LL.M., Director of Real Estate Development Program

**Dennis J. Pogue**, Ph.D., Interim Director of Historic Preservation Program

# Graduating Students

## DUAL DEGREE

### **MASTER OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION + MASTER OF REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT**

Samuel Christian Bohmfalk

### **MASTER OF ARCHITECTURE + MASTER OF REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT**

Gijoon Paris Sim

### **MASTER OF APPLIED ANTHROPOLOGY + MASTER OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION**

Katherine Melissa Calvert

## MASTER'S DEGREE

### **MASTER OF ARCHITECTURE**

Min Na

Ava Omidvar

Victoria Valentina Urdaneta

### **MASTER OF COMMUNITY PLANNING**

Narges Asgari Borumand

### **MASTER OF REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT**

Candare Monique Goodman

Hussam Mansoor

## **BACHELOR'S DEGREE**

### **BACHELOR OF ARTS IN ARCHITECTURE**

Holly Aysha Ansari

Aldana Jokabed Caceres

Anss Asim Chaudhry

Makelle Collins

Nathaniel Arthur Dorn

Minor: Real Estate Development

Zakiya Frye

Minor: Real Estate Development

Marisela Eve Gerardo

Hannah Kelsey Grabill

Minor: Sustainability Studies

Xavier Mason Jennings

Colin McKendree Lewis

Minor: Real Estate Development

Jianjin Luo

Maria Lucrecia Cajayon Mendoza

Minor: Korean Studies

Birungi Namatimba Nsubuga

Minor: Real Estate Development

Oreoluwa Ayotunde Olayinka

Wyatt Christopher Rahl

Joshua Rose Schmidt

Minor: Sustainability Studies

Sheila Dayanara Suazo-Paz

Minor: Construction Project Management

Taylyr Camille Washington

## **BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ARCHITECTURE**

Gabriel Alvarenga

Leeron Carmi

Minor: Construction Project Management

Anran Chen

Jack Fitzgerald Corbett\*

Minor: Sustainability Studies

Minor: Astronomy

Joseph Edwards

Minor: Sustainability Studies

Minor: Real Estate Development

Cody Allen Garner

Minor: Construction Project Management

Ryan Alexander Gott\*\*

Minor: Sustainability Studies

Talha Ubeydullah Gursoy

Yasmine Emily Hardy-Njie

R. Maisha Islam

Minor: Sustainability Studies

Joshua Michael Kindred

Christian Louis Klima

Minor: Sustainability Studies

Amy Lai\*\*

Patrick Quinn McNally

Jose Bernardo Mejia

Miguel Alejandro Mora Rangel

Minor: Sustainability Studies

Minor: Construction Project Management

Kayla Alauna Parsons\*

Minor: Construction Project Management

Daquan Gavon Proctor

Minor: Construction Project Management

Samuel Robert Reid III

Minor: Construction Project Management

College Park Scholars Citation

Judy Tram\*\*

Minor: Sustainability Studies

Christopher Hoang Tran

Minor: Sustainability Studies

Tyson Christian Tran

Minor: Construction Project Management

Carlos Manuel Vazquez

Minor: Sustainability Studies

Dishan Avinda Wijegooneratne

Minor: Real Estate Development

# Awards and Honors

## Architecture Awards

**The Architecture Thesis Award** is given to a graduate student for excellence in the Master of Architecture Thesis.

**Min Na, *Reframing Aging as Growth through Community***

## Real Estate Development Awards

**MRED Outstanding Capstone Project Prize** is awarded for the best final project as determined by a jury of real estate professionals.

*First Place*

**Gijoon Paris Sim, *Three Rivers, A Catalyst Development for the Future of Multi-Modal Urban Living in Pittsburgh, PA***

*Tied for Second*

**Samuel Bohmfalk, *Block 15, Mixed-Use Revitalization Project in Stephenville, TX***

**Hussam Mansoor, *Hamlet, Mixed-Use Development in College Park, MD***

**MRED Outstanding Academic Achievement Award** recognizes the Master of Real Estate Development student achieving the highest level of academic achievement represented by grade point average.

**Samuel Bohmfalk**

**MRED Award for Academic Excellence** is presented to Master of Real Estate Development students with outstanding excellence in academics.

**Gijoon Paris Sim**

**Hussam Mansoor**

## Historic Preservation Awards

### Outstanding Graduate Assistant Award

**Katherine Calvert (AAHP)**

**Jon C. Graff, Ph.D. Endowed Prize in Historic Preservation**, established in 2018, is an award given annually to an outstanding student (or two) that includes a travel award accompanied by a medallion. Dr. Graff is a University of Maryland alumnus who had a successful career in biochemistry and later cyber security. As a lifelong learner, he studies paleontology and supports historic preservation in his retirement. He is an avid bicyclist, thus this medal reflects his passion.

**Sam Bohmfalk (HPDV)**

## Honor Societies

### TAU SIGMA DELTA

Tau Sigma Delta is an honor society in architecture and the allied arts. The Iota Psi Chapter at the University of Maryland was chartered in 2010 and was developed from a senior honor society in architecture and landscape architecture to become inclusive of all disciplines allied with the architecture program.

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**Daquan Proctor**

**Judy Tram**

# Commencement Speaker

**Marques King, RA, NCARB, CNU**  
**Architect + Urban Designer + Developer**

**Marques G. King, RA, NCARB, CNU (M.ARCH '14)** is Managing Principal of Fabric[K] Design, working as an architect, urban designer and small-scale developer in his hometown of Detroit, Michigan. This is his story:

Fabric[K] strives to help people and organizations build better lifestyles through contextual, sustainable and people-centric design. As a born-and-raised product of Detroit, Michigan, I was motivated to pursue a career in building things very early. The contradictions between ubiquitous stories of Detroit's former glory contrast with the harsh realities that I grew up in inspired me to study the science of cities, and one day contribute to Detroit getting its 'middle class swag' back.

For me as an architect, that means advocating for the more human-scaled, equitable and modernized versions of the building types, streets, neighborhoods, entrepreneurs, and businesses that built that middle class more than a century ago.

I received my B.A in Architecture and in Construction Management from Lawrence Technological University in Southfield, Michigan, in 2010. From there I went on to receive my Master of Architecture from the University of Maryland in 2014. Over the years I have had the great fortune to professionally work at every scale of the built environment and to do so domestically and internationally. At the tradesperson level I've held positions in a cabinet making shop, structural steel foundry, and as an electrician's apprentice. As an architect, I've designed projects as small as residential roof repairs to 50+ unit mixed use apartment buildings with multi-million-dollar budgets. As an urban designer, the teams I have worked with have produced award winning, published, and codified masterplans for cities like Atlanta, Georgia, Savannah, Georgia and Nanjing, China. This intimate understanding of the built-environment at every scale is present in every project. It is a critical part in making sure that no building or any other urban component operates in isolation but as an important piece to a much more elaborate neighborhood system.

My varied experience has allowed me to refine my architectural and development focus toward projects that directly affect the health and wealth of local & regional communities. This is the genesis of Fabric[K]. And although I continue to work all over the country, Fabric[K] Design's home base of Detroit, Michigan, affords it the opportunities to make local changes right here in my hometown.



# Congratulations Alumni!

We like to stay connected with our alumni and are always interested in hearing their latest news. You can keep in touch and update your contact information by emailing us at **mappalum@umd.edu**.

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