

Curriculum Vitae

Academic Background

2013 - Savannah College of Art and Design, Atlanta, GA

- Major: Interior Design
- Master of Fine Arts
- *Thesis Topic: "A new model of care for veterans with PTSD" Using restorative environmental theory to improve the treatment of veterans with mental illnesses*

2007 - The Art Institute of Atlanta, Atlanta, GA

- Major: Interior Design
- Bachelor of Fine Arts, Cum Laude
- CIDA accredited program

Teaching Experience

Georgia Southern University (August 2021-Present)

Assistant Professor

School of Human Ecology
College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

Meredith College (August 2017-July 2021)

Assistant Professor

Department of Human Environmental Sciences
School of Education, Health, and Human Sciences

Meredith College (August 2017-January 2020)

Program Coordinator-Interior Design

Department of Human Environmental Sciences
School of Education, Health, and Human Sciences

Oklahoma State University (January 2014 – July 2017)

Clinical Assistant Professor

College of Human Sciences
Department of Design, Housing, and Merchandising

Oklahoma State University (Fall 2013)

Adjunct Assistant Professor

College of Human Sciences
Department of Design, Housing, and Merchandising

Art Institute of Atlanta (Spring 2013)

Adjunct Instructor

Savannah College of Art & Design (Fall 2011, Winter 2013)

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Professional Memberships

American Society of Interior Designers

2020 – Present

Position: **Allied Educator**

International Interior Design Association

2018 – Present organization

Position: **Associate Member**

Environmental Design Research Association

2017 – Present

Position: **Regular Member**

Interior Design Educators Council

2017 – Present

Position: **Professional Member**

+ South Regional Reviewer 2018-2020

+ National Reviewer 2018-2020

Network of Executive Women in Hospitality

2017 – Present

Position: **Education Professional Member**

International Furnishings and Design Association

2020 – Present

Position: **Professional Member**

American Institute of Architects

2020 – Present

Position: National **Allied Individual Member**

National Association of Home Builders

2020 – Present

Position: **National, State, and Local Member**

National Kitchen and Bath Association

2020 – Present

Position: **Educator Member**

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Professional Experience

Interior Designer

August 2021-Present Self-Employed – Free-lance, Statesboro, GA

Interior Designer

September 2017-July 2021 Self-Employed – Free-lance, Raleigh, NC

Interior Designer

July 2013-August 2017 Self-Employed – Free-lance, Stillwater, OK

Interior Designer

April 2009-July 2013 The Travis Group, Sugar Hill, GA

Industrial Designer/CAD Technician

October 2009- July 2010 Francois and Co., Atlanta, GA

Hospitality Interior Designer/Project Manager

September 2007-March 2009 Design Directions International, Marietta, GA

Interior Designer

December 2006-May 2007 The Little Group Interiors, Atlanta, GA

Design Assistant

June 2001-May 2004 McGehee & Barnes Ltd./ Creative Interior Designs of Gwinnet, Lilburn, GA

Recognition and Awards

2019

Received award for service to profession from Interior Design Educators Council (IDEC) for service to the organization for volunteer efforts in host committee for national conference

2014

Awarded \$5,000 grant from DHM dept. at OSU to author online course

2012

EDRA Student Design Award: "How Participatory Design Methodologies Can Be Used to Engage Children and Adolescents in the Design Process"

2010

Historic English Mantel Collection for Francois and Co.
published in various trade related magazines

Papers and Presentations

North Carolina Association Family Consumer Sciences, Wilmington NC 2018

Poster Presentation: *Teaching universal design principles in an undergraduate interior design studio*

Art + Design for Social Justice Symposium, Florida State University 2012

Panel Presentation: *How Participatory Design Methodologies can be used to Engage Children and Adolescents in the Design Process*

Art + Design for Social Justice Symposium, Florida State University 2012

Poster Presentation: *How Participatory Design Methodologies can be used in a Cyclical Manner to Promote Positive User-Centric Interior Design Solutions*

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Grants

1. Hebert, P.R, Chandrasekera, T. And Smith, C. (2015) "Pepin Collection Online Part 1: Frank Lloyd Wright Museum Reproductions and 3D Scanning" .Pepin Committee, \$3,450. - Funded
2. Hebert, P.R, Chandrasekera, T. And Smith, C. (2016) "Pepin Collection Online Part 2: Frank Lloyd Wright Museum Reproductions and 3D Scanning" .Pepin Committee, \$3,500. - Funded
3. Oklahoma Arts Council Major Grant Support Program, \$3,500.00 Chandrasekera, T., Hebert, P., Smith, C. (2017) – Funded
4. People-Activity-Clothing-Environment (PACE): System Design for Safety and Health of Adults Age 60 and Over (NSF Grant) \$800,000.00: Robinette, K(PI)., Chandrasekera, T., Cheng, Z., Kang, M., Petrova, A., Peksoz, S., Smith, C., Balasubramanian, M. (2013)- Not funded
5. Encumbered & Special Needs Human Modeling Lab Core Facilities Support, \$ 232,937.00 Award: Robinette, K.(PI), Petrova, A., Chandrasekera, T., George, K., Park, N., Smith, C., Cheng, Z., Davenport, I. (2013)- Not funded

Workshop Presentations & Charettes

- Student Charette: OSU Spears School of Business

Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, Oklahoma 2016

Advised a group of undergraduate interior design students in a "sustainability" themed Charette for developing a share-wear clothes swapping "App" for students on the OSU - Stillwater campus

- Student Charette: OSU College of Human Sciences

Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, Oklahoma 2013

Advised a group of cross-departmental human science students in a "sustainability" themed Charette for incorporating green-design into the culture of the college. Awarded second place

- Roundtable Lecture + Discussion: "Human Response to Ergonomics",

Savannah College of Art and Design, Atlanta, Georgia 2012

Represented the School of Building Arts and the Interior Design Program as a participant and leader of a group of undergraduate and graduate students in an interactive workshop for prospective students and their families as part of university recruitment efforts

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**Outside and
Collaborative
Projects/Volunteerism**

Meredith College, Carlyle Campbell Library building
Raleigh, NC, 2019

Color consultation for the LINC Center (located on the ground floor) refresh thanks to funding from the Janet Freeman Endowment.

Raffield Residence

Rutledge, GA, 2018

Single family residential primary bathroom renovation for improved accessibility, prepared construction and presentation drawing for clients home

Town and Gown Community Theatre Productions

Stillwater, Oklahoma, 2016

Served as expert consultant on historic period for Great Gatsby. Created original ceiling design concept and associated plans –procured materials

Salvation Army - Corps Comm Center

Stillwater, Oklahoma, 2016

Zaban House – Community Shelter

Atlanta, GA 2011

Participated in professional (IIDA and ASID), student, and alumni collaboration for installation of a re-design of shelter residential spaces

Boys and Girls Club – Anderson Center

Marietta, Georgia, 2011

Conducted research and concept development for re-design of existing facilities

Hands on Atlanta, Points of Light Institute

Atlanta, GA, 2010

Participated in professional, student, and alumni charette to re-design headquarters for the Atlanta based non-profit

Creative Endeavors

Hospitality Interiors

Design Directions International

- Crown Plaza Ravinia (Atlanta, Georgia): 2007-2008

Concept Development, Schematic Design, Design Development, Project Administration

- Hawks Cay Resort (Duck Key, Florida): 2007 -2009

Design Development, Project Administration

- Crown Plaza (Hickory, North Carolina): 2008

Schematic Design, Design Development, Project Administration

- Crown Plaza (Atlanta, Georgia): 2008-2009

Concept Development, Schematic Design, Design Development, Project Administration

- Doubletree (Roswell, Georgia): 2008

Concept Development, Schematic Design, Design Development

Industrial Design

Francois and Co.

English Mantel Collection: 2009-2010

Concept Development, Schematic Design, Design Development

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