

# ALLISON M. CAHILL

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## SUMMARY

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My goal is to gain challenging, hands-on experience as an interior designer at a firm with a commitment to a high level of design.

Sustainably driven, detail-oriented and self-motivated **USC Architecture** school grad ('06) and **LEED accredited** designer with 5 years of experience on a diverse range of projects, with a focus on commercial interiors. Projects include: historic renovations on a Victorian residence and downtown LA hotel, university student housing and aquatic facility, modern furniture retail store, LEED rated single and multi-family housing, a maternity hospital and physician offices in Ireland, and most recently a college crew team boathouse. Enthusiastic and qualified user of **Revit software**. Strong in DD and CD sets, AutoCad, Photoshop & Illustrator, 3D Modeling, and Physical Models. Especially high level of organization, skilled at multi-tasking with tight deadlines, and passion for innovation in problem solving. Value the necessity to work as a team player and communicate with colleagues and clients. Currently working on IDP hours and taking the **ARE 4.0**. Interest in gaining experience in **international work** after 8-months of world travel (see section for details on page 2) and work experience at an architecture firm Ireland.

## SKILLS & ACCREDITATIONS

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### COMPUTER SKILLS

AutoCad, PowerCadd, Revit, 3D Studio Max, Illustrator, Photoshop, Microsoft Office & Website Creation

### ACCREDITATIONS

LEED AP for New Construction & Major Renovations  
AIA Associate Member  
Autodesk Training Center Certificate for Revit Architecture

### CURRENTLY

Taking all 7 sections of ARE 4.0 with Funkaar Studios Exam Prep Course from January-March 2011

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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### CAHILL DESIGN STUDIO

San Diego/Oakland, California  
Project Manager/Designer, January 2010 - Current



#### ST. MARY'S COLLEGE BOATHOUSE

Leading the design development of the St. Mary's College crew team boathouse, including specifications of FF & E. Producing marketing materials, including Revit renderings/drawings and cost analysis for fundraising purposes.

### RATZSCH ARCHITECTS

Los Angeles, California  
Designer, November 2008 - April 2009



#### HISTORIC EMBASSY HOTEL

Lead interior & exterior renovation of a 9-story boutique historic hotel (1914) with a stunning auditorium and bustling rooftop nightclub in Downtown Los Angeles. Conducted code investigations, historic analysis, and schematic design. Regularly met with owners (Metcom) to discuss progress and coordination with consultants.

### DAVID JAY FLOOD ARCHITECT

Santa Monica, California  
Designer, September 2007 - December 2007



#### CSU CHANNEL ISLANDS STUDENT HOUSING

Produced design concepts for the renovation of the CSU Channel Islands Student Housing, a unique and challenging project since the building was previously a mental institution. Organized a team to accelerate the project to meet the client's deadline.



#### UC SANTA BARBARA AQUATIC FACILITY

Enhanced 3D graphics [in Photoshop] and assembled presentation book [in Illustrator] to make project strong contender for UCSB Aquatic Facility competition. Successfully met competition deadlines with minimal time for presentation preparation.

## MICHAEL FOLONIS ARCHITECT

Santa Monica, California

Designer, November 2006 - September 2007



### GRANT STREET HOUSING

Explored initial design development through site analysis and 3D renderings for LEED-rated multi-unit family housing. Created design to integrate green wall and roof, and photovoltaics.



### THORNTON LOFTS

Assisted in interior & exterior design of mixed use lofts, located on the strand in Venice Beach, Ca. Supported project through completion of construction administration with frequent on-site visits.



### LIPIAN RESIDENCE

Conducted extensive research for home theater design and products. Successfully prepared specifications to meet owner's final approval after 5-years of negotiations.



### BOCONCEPT STORE

Accomplished completion of BoConcept Store on Santa Monica Promenade, from design development through construction administration. Design concept was achieved quickly by providing 3D renderings to client.

## EDWARD CARSON BEALL & ASSOCIATES

Torrance, California

Intern, May - July 2005

Supported renovation of five residences in Palos Verdes, Ca: assisted on-site analysis and documentation, code research and exploration, construction documents, and plan checks.

## OBELISK ARCHITECTS

Torrance, California

Intern, May - July 2004

Produced series of presentation design sketches for single family residence with highly restrictive code requirements and conducted on-site analysis for design development.

## O'RIORDAN STAELI ARCHITECTS

Cork, Ireland

Interior Design Intern, June - August 2003

Conceptualized interior designs for Maternity Hospital, Mercy Hospital and a physician's office: conducted on-site analysis, product research and wrote specifications, followed by productive client meetings.

## EDUCATION

### UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Los Angeles, California

*Bachelor of Architecture*, May 2006

Award for Outstanding Work in Design, Technology, History, and Professional Practice

### BOSTON UNIVERSITY

Boston, Massachusetts

*College of General Studies*, 2000-2001

## WORLD TRAVEL

December 2007 - August 2008

Accomplished 8-month around-the-world travel plan to visit 32 countries and 90 cities & provinces, and traveled a total distance of over 40,000 miles on six continents, visiting some of the world's most impressive architectural feats and inspiring interior design. For 9 months prior to the trip, intensively researched, planned, and organized an extensive budget plan, accommodations, and over 60 flights. While traveling, documented the journey through 34 blogs on a custom-made website, and shot over 20,000 photos. Website: <http://web.mac.com/maureen.stubbs/Trip/Welcome.html>

*References Available Upon Request*