
SNEHA MANDHAN

Community Engagement Associate



SUMMARY BIO

Sneha Mandhan is a urban planner, urban designer and architect who has worked on urban planning, environmental planning and urban design projects in the US and India. She is interested in the integration of physical form with social and cultural forces within cities, social justice and equity, urban informality, community co-design and spatial planning pedagogy. Her current research focuses on the influence of ‘integration’ practices on the culture and use of space among immigrant communities in Toronto, and connecting their experiences transnationally to their families ‘back home’.

EXPERTISE

- Urban planning & design
- Policy analysis
- Qualitative research

EDUCATION

- PhD in Planning Student with Collaborative Specialization in South Asian Studies (2018–present) Department of Geography & Planning, Uof T
- Master in City Planning (2012–2014) Department of Urban Studies and Planning, MIT
- Bachelor of Architecture (2005–2010) Maulana Azad National Institute of Technology, Bhopal, India

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

- 2018–present
Research Assistant, University of Toronto
- 2019–present
Editor, Re:Locations Journal
- 2013–present
Communications & Community Outreach Advisor, Project Eklavya, Delhi
- 2015–2018
Research Associate, MIT Norman B. Leventhal Center for Advanced Urbanism
- 2014–2015
Urban Planner, Sasaki Associates, Watertown MA
- 2012–2014
Research & Teaching Assistant, Department of Urban Studies & Planning, MIT
- 2010–2011
Architect and Urban Designer, Integrated Design, Bangalore