

# SAGAR HIWARE

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## AFFILIATION STATUS

Ph.D. Student in the Regional Planning Program, Department of Landscape Architecture and Regional Planning, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

## OBJECTIVE

Positive, energetic and committed professional passionately seeking research opportunities in academic position within the real world, utilizing community planning & urban design knowledge and prior work experiences.

## EDUCATION

**Auburn University;** Auburn, AL (USA) | Graduated August 2016  
*Masters of Community Planning (MCP)* | GPA: 3.86/4.0

**Visvesvaraya National Institute of Technology;** Nagpur, MH (India) | Graduated September 2013  
*Bachelors of Architecture (B.Arch)* | GPA: 3.67/4.0

## WORK EXPERIENCE

**UMass Amherst Campus Planning,** Amherst, MA (USA) | *Graduate Planning Assistant* | 02/19 – Present

- Assists in planning, assessment and evaluation of infrastructure & facilities improvement projects. Support University's economic development initiatives by enhancing the ergonomics of physical spaces using key designing tools at the Campus Facilities and Management department.

**Regional Planning Program;** LARP, Amherst, MA (USA) | *Teaching Assistant* | 09/18 – 02/19

- Digital media teaching assistant in the LARP department (UMass). Support peer learning initiatives via workshops with digital media software (Adobe, Sketchup, ArcGIS).

**Regional Planning Program;** LARP, Amherst, MA (USA) | *Research Assistant* | 09/17 – 05/18

- Assisted Dr. Renski with research project evaluating the economic impacts of the proposed wood pallet facility and Biomass as alternative renewable heating source in the western Massachusetts region.

**Crafton Tull Associates;** Little Rock, AR (USA) | *Urban Planner* | 09/16 – 08/17

- Supported planning team in development of the public and private entity projects in urban planning.
- Facilitated detail analysis, GIS data analysis, graphical strategies and for the projects.
- Corridor development projects, comprehensive plan for the cities in Arkansas & Oklahoma.

**Auburn University Office of University Writing;** Auburn, AL (USA) | *Program Assistant* | 05/15 – 05/16

- Facilitated Marketing & Communication strategies.
- Illustrated and developed Adobe Creative Suite expertise to generate artistic digital, print and graphic content for marketing and branding initiatives.
- Supported in managing the official website and social media updates.

**Community Planning Program;** Auburn, AL (USA) | *Graduate Assistant* | 08/14 – 05/15

- Assisted Dr. Sweta Byahut in preparation & consolidation of literature review on case studies for the research project focused on resiliency of coastal areas in Southeastern United States.
- Confined report for case studies on Land Readjustment as a Planning Tool across countries.

**Kalika Architecture;** Nagpur, MH (India) | *Architect* | 06/13 – 04/14

- Contributed to projects with prominent Architect and Conservationist, Ar. Awantika Chitnavis.

**VK:Architecture;** Pune, MH (India) | *Architecture Intern* | 06/12 – 11/12

- Developed presentations and drafted working drawings for various residential, commercial and institutional projects.

**SCHOLARSHIP/ FELLOWSHIP/HONORS**

- Graduate Scholarship for graduate studies with Complete Tuition waiver | Master of Community Planning Program; Auburn University | \$6,000 | 07/14 – 05/15
- Graduate Assistantship for curricular enhancement with complete tuition waiver | Office of University Writing; Auburn University | \$25,000 | 05/15 – 06/16
- Donald James Cosby Memorial Award for excellence in MCP Program | \$1,306 | 2015
- Arch R. Winter Funds scholarship for outstanding performance in MCP Program | \$3,316 | 2015
- Second Position in the Student Poster Competition at APA-AL Conference | \$200 | 2015
- Third Position in the Creative Scholarship Oral Presentation at Auburn University Research Symposium | \$250 | 2016

**PRESENTATIONS**

- Poster presentation at AL - MS Chapter of American Planning Association Annual Conference | 2015
- Public Presentation as a team member at the public meeting for Updating the Bike Plan for the City of Auburn, AL | 2015
- Oral presentation for Creative Scholarship at Auburn University Research Symposium | 2016
- Poster presentation at graduate level at Auburn University Research Symposium | 2016

**INVOLVEMENT**

- President for Auburn University Students Planning Association (AUSPA) | 08/15 – 01/16
- Graduate School Ambassador for Auburn University | 08/15 – 06/16
- Senate member at the Graduate Students Council (GSC) from College of Architecture; Design and Construction at Auburn University | 11/14 – 04/15 & 01/16 – 04/16
- Member of the Indian Student Association at Auburn University | 08/14 – 04/16
- Participant for workshop on “ACSP Pre-Doctoral Workshop for students of color”
  - Organized by ACSP (Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning) | 2015
- Participant for workshop on “Earthquake Resistant Architecture” at IIT Kanpur, India
  - Organized by NICEE (National Information Center for Earthquake Engineering) | 2011
- Student Representative for Department of Architecture, VNIT, Nagpur, India | 2012

**SKILLS**

- Comfortable with OS Microsoft Windows & OS Macintosh platforms
- Expertise in ArcGIS, Autodesk AutoCAD, Adobe Creative Suite (Photoshop, InDesign, Illustrator, Premier Pro, After Effects), and Microsoft Office
- Proficiency in Final Cut Pro, Google Sketchup, Nvivo