

# Bahij Vincent Chancey Curriculum Vitae

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## Education

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### **Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)**, Cambridge, MA

*M.C.P. (Master in City Planning)*, Aug. 2019 – May 2021

Thesis: Investigating the distributional equity implications of relying on a network approach to sanitation service provision.

### **Yale University**, New Haven, CT

*B.F.A. in Architectural Design* // Sep. 2009 – May 2013

Honor: Distinction in the Major

Thesis: Examined the privatization of public space in Beirut, Lebanon's downtown.

### **Danish Institute for Study Abroad**, Copenhagen, Denmark

*Spring 2012 Session: Architecture* // Jan. 2012 – May 2012

### **Yale University Summer Session**, Amman, Jordan

*Intensive Arabic Program* // Jun. 2010 – Jul. 2010

### **NYC Lab School for Collaborative Studies**, New York, NY

*Advanced Regents Diploma* // Sep. 2005 – Jun. 2009

## Professional Experience

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### **City Form Lab, MIT Dept. of Urban Studies and Planning**, Cambridge, MA

*Researcher* // Sep. 2019 – Present

- Assist Director Andres Sevtsuk Ph.D. with urban science research, statistical analysis, programming, and data science.
- Build activity-based pedestrian route choice models ranging from campus to city scale.
- Recipient of the Dar Group Urban Research Seed Fund and Levanthol Center for Advanced Urbanism grant for "Community Streets: Reconsidering Street Design and Non-Motorized Mobility in the Aftermath of the Beirut Blast"

### **Office of New York City Council Member Carlina Rivera – District Two**, New York, NY

*Land Use and Policy Fellow, Priscilla King Gray Public Service Fellow* // Jun. 2020 – Aug. 2020

- Assisted legislative and policy team with research for senior and affordable housing, and land use planning.

### **Green City Force**, New York, NY

*Consultant* // Sept. 2019 – Present

*Senior Manager, Development and External Relations* // Dec. 2018 – Aug. 2019

*Development and Communications Manager* // Jan. 2017 – Dec. 2018

*Development Associate* // Jul. 2016 – Jan. 2017

- Manage grant applications and reporting for foundation, corporate and government institutions comprising \$3.8 million philanthropic portion of a \$6 million operating budget.
- Organize volunteer programming for strategic partners, 15 events annually for 300+ volunteers.
- Responsible for communications, press and media, data synthesis and partnership management

## **Professional Experience, continued**

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### **NYC Department of Parks and Recreation, New York, NY**

*AmeriCorps Member, NYC Civic Corps // Sep. 2015 – Jul. 2016*

- Instructed and managed 1,800+ volunteers in tree care and forest restoration at public events.
- Recruited 400+ individual and group volunteers for the Stewardship program.

### **Alexander Antonelli Architect PLLC, New York, NY**

*Draftsman // Oct. 2013 – Sep. 2015*

- Drafted schematic and construction plans, elevations, and details for single-family residential.
- Assisted architects in coordinating various subcontractors. Reviewed and red-lined shop drawings and specs.

### **Artsy.net, New York, NY**

*Artsy Fellow // Jun. 2013 – Sep. 2013*

- Categorized and indexed design and architectural works for the startup's Art Genome Project.
- Assembled and designed the weekly HTML email sent to Artsy's 150,000 users.

### **Yale University Art Gallery, New Haven, CT**

*Bursary Student Aid in Modern and Contemporary Art Department // Oct. 2010 – May 2013*

- Conducted research to write display labels for objects in the collection.
- Assisted the curators with research, office organization, and archival and digital cataloguing.
- Curated a focus installation of in-house works by Italian Futurist Ivo Pannaggi.

### **Freelance Website Developer, New York, NY**

*Part-time, project based // Dec. 2011 – Aug. 2019*

- Designed and coded 9 completely custom small business, nonprofit, and personal websites.

### **Greensulate LLC., New York, NY**

*Summer Intern // Jul. 2012 – Aug. 2012*

- Installed and maintained extensive and intensive green roofs.

### **Alwan for the Arts, New York, NY**

*Summer Intern // Jun. 2011 – Aug. 2011*

- Staffed Arab and Middle Eastern cultural events, with supportive administrative duties.

### **Rubin Museum of Art, New York, NY**

*Youth Guide, RMA Teens // Oct. 2007 – May 2009*

- Guided public tours based on research of sacred Himalayan artifacts in the museum's collection.

## **Community Involvement and Extracurricular Activities**

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### **Transportation Alternatives, New York, NY**

*Member, Board of Directors, Chair Policy Committee // Jan. 2019 – Present*

*Fmr. Co-Chair, Brooklyn Activist Committee // Jan. 2014 – Jul. 2017*

- Organize volunteer safe-street activism campaigns, leading to the installation of pedestrian safety improvements and bicycle lanes by the NYC Department of Transportation.
- Organize petitioning events, group bicycle rides and advocacy events with elected officials.
- Member of the nonprofit organization's Strategic Planning Committee.

## **Community Involvement and Extracurricular Activities, continued**

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### **Mechanical Gardens Bicycle Cooperative, New York, NY**

*Co-op Organizer // Sep. 2015 – Aug. 2019*

- Captained the squads for Communications, Development, and Volunteer Coordination.
- Seminal in the expansion and development of NYC's only community-based bicycle shop
- Launched weekly public workshop hours to teach New Yorkers how to fix their bicycles.

### **Brooklyn Community Board Six, Transportation and Public Safety Committee, New York, NY**

*Appointed Public Member // Sep. 2015 – Sep. 2019*

- Reviewed and voted on local transportation and public safety projects from the city government.

### **Open House New York, New York, NY**

*District Coordinator // annual, each October 2013 – 2018*

- Acted as primary contact for 6-12 OHNY visitor sites during the annual Open House Weekend.
- Managed 12-30 OHNY volunteers and staff volunteer orientations.

### **Cobble Hill Association, New York, NY**

*Webmaster // Jun. 2015 – Aug. 2018*

- Designed and coded a relaunch of the Cobble Hill Association website.
- Primary contributor to the Cobble Hill Association blog, Facebook and Twitter.

### **New York City Council District 33 Participatory Budgeting, New York, NY**

*Transportation Proposal Budget Delegate // Oct. 2015 – Apr. 2016*

- Reviewed public proposals for transportation projects in the council district.
- Coordinated proposal inclusion on the 2016 Participatory Budgeting ballot with City agencies.

### **Branford College Council, New Haven, CT**

*Class Representative, Sophomore, Junior and Senior Years // Sep. 2010 – May 2013*

- Elected by 120+ peers as one of two class representatives to the college council.
- Attended weekly council meetings, coordinated college events, designed apparel and posters.

### **Quidditch Team at Yale, New Haven, CT**

*Co-Founder and Co-Captain // Sep. 2010 – May 2013*

- Started a Quidditch Team, organized practices, meetings and inter-collegiate games.

### **Arab Students' Association at Yale, New Haven, CT**

*Webmaster // Feb. 2011 – May 2013*

- Designed, coded and maintained a new organization website.
- Attended weekly board meetings and staffed political, social and cultural events.

### **Yale Refugee Project, New Haven, CT**

*Direct Assistant // Sep. 2010 – May 2013*

- Assisted a family of Iraqi refugees in learning English and acclimating to life in the United States.

### **The Yale Herald, New Haven, CT**

*Online Editor, Member of the Editorial Board // Jan. 2010 – May. 2011*

- Led a three person online team in updating the weekly editorial newspaper's website.

## Certification

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### **Master Composter** // Certified May 2016

- 8-week training at Brooklyn Botanic Garden with NYC Department of Sanitation Compost Project.

## Publications

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Sevtsuk, Andres; Rounaq, Basu; and Chancey, Bahij. We shape our buildings, but do they then shape us? A longitudinal analysis of pedestrian flows and development activity in Melbourne. PLOS ONE. 2021 (in review).

## Skills and Languages

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**Languages:** Fluent English, proficient Arabic

**Computer Skills:** Adobe Creative Suite, AutoCAD, Rhinoceros, SketchUp

**Programming:** HTML, CSS, Sass, Javascript, PHP, MySQL, Wordpress