

# Curriculum Vitae

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## Profile

Completed apprenticeship with an honors certificate as a landscaper under the guidance of Bruno Müller Gartenbau, Udligenswil (LU). Apprenticeship was followed by experience working in different domestic and foreign landscaping companies. Completed a Technical Type Professional Maturity degree at BBZL Luzern. Completed further education as a landscape architect at the University of Applied Sciences at Rapperswil (HSR), Switzerland, with a one-year internship with PWP Landscape Architecture in San Francisco, USA. Started professional career as Project Leader in design competitions at Hager Partner AG, Zürich, Switzerland. Ongoing graduate education as landscape architect at the Harvard Graduate School of Design.

## Education

2014 - 2016	Landscape Architecture, Master Degree, Harvard Graduate School of Design
Aug. 2012	Further training for sepcific perennial plantation concepts, ZHAW-Wädenswil CH
2007 - 2011	Landscape Architecture, Bachelor Degree, HSR-Rapperswil CH (A-Student)
2005 - 2006	Swiss Armed Forces, basic training as Reconnaissance Ranger, Thun CH
2004 - 2005	Professional Maturity of Technical Type, BBZL Luzern CH
2001 - 2004	Vocational school (federal graduate landscaper), Luzern CH (with honors certificate)

## Professional Experiences

2016 - 2017	Sasaki Associates, Watertown, MA, USA Landscape Designer As part of Sasaki's Urban Studio, my work focused on ladscape based planning strategies that shape social and ecological processes into multi-functional urban spaces, with a particular focus on landscape and water infrastructures. In Vietnam I provided ecological insight and design solutions for a \$20 billion port redevelopment. In collaboration with the Nature Conservancy, we developed an online tool that addresses riverine and coastal flooding across all scales. Similarly, In Kabul I developed a regional and urban hydrdologic analysis, which continues to be translated into future development scheems.
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June - Aug. 2015	Surfacedesign Inc., San Francisco, CA, USA Summer Job My work, during a 10-week summer break, focused on projects in the CD phase. For 6D-Ranch, Bee Caves in Texas, I translated schematic and illustrative plans for a scenic sculpor drive into initial construction drawings. Challenge of the project laid in the soft grading of slopes, vis-à-vis hard edges of the feature walls, establishing a sustainable hydrologic flow. In addition to CD sets, I produced graphic illustrations for both, public and private presentations and created initial drawings for a large scale residential project in Auckland, New Zealand, designing hydrologic systems.
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2011 - 2013	Hager Partner AG, Zürich, CH Project Leader Competitions As a Project Leader in competitions, my duties includeed the acquisition of design competitions in leading and collaborating positions, submission of prequalifications and management of the team's occupation planning. During competition phases my responsibilities included leading interdisciplinary design teams on national and international competitions of small and medium size, generating comprehensive site analyses, drawing first sketches, developing advanced design schemes and handling project deadlines, including the creation of ACAD drawings and illustrative Photoshop renderings for the final presentation boards.
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June 2013	Canton Zug - Departement for Preservation and Archaeology Civil Service Surveyor Employee to carry out archaeological excavations and calibration of potential archaeological material (analog and digital)
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2009 - 2010	PWP Landscape Architecture, Berkeley, CA, USA Intern Designer During the phases of SD, DD, and CD my duties as an intern included: Building models and 3-dimensional representations of projects for the design development stage. Creating graphic reproductions for presentations and design studies for clients, as well as public presentations using VectorWorks. Attending coordination meetings and in-house project management meetings. Translating VW drawing into ACAD drawings and turn it into a construction bid package. Putting together cost estimates and preparing follow-up documents in accordance with contractual obligations.
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2006 - 2007	Ideal Landscape and Design, Hamilton, Ontario Canada Chief Foreman Landscape in position as Chief Foreman. My duties included overseeing and installing intricate, high end residential and commercial landscape projects. Interpreting conceptual blueprint drawings and supervise employees.
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2005 - 2006	Nideroest Gartenbau, Brunnen CH Foreman Landscape in position as Foreman for swimming ponds, natural stone masonry, equipment operating and client counseling for high end residential and commercial landscape projects.
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2001 - 2004	Müller Gartenbau AG, Luzern CH Apprentice Apprenticeship as landscaper, specializing in swimming ponds, natural stone masonry, all types of paving installation, planting and general maintenance.
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## Awarded / Selected Design Competitions

	Rapperswil Lido, with Meletta Strebel Architects & Staubli Kurath civil ingenners   1.Price Basel Landhof Areal, with Meletta Strebel Architects & Sociologist Barbara Emmenegger Genf Bernex Parc, with Aebi Vincent Architects IGA Berlin 2017, Marzahn - Hellersdorf Parks & Recreation
	Würrenlingen, with ERP Arcitects   1st Price St.Gallen Sturzeneggstrasse, with wbh architects   1st Price Schwyz Hof Ibach, with Leutwiler Architects   2nd Price Köniz Rappentöri, with Aebi Vincent Architects   2nd Price Thalwil Gartenstrasse, with Gigon Guyer Architects   2nd Price - Landscape Honors Residential
	Hostelling International Bern, with Aebi Vincent Architects   1st Price KJPK Basel, with Meier Leder Architects   2nd Price Secondary School Hinterbirch, with IDA Architects   2nd Price Kappel am Albis Kloster, with Frei Architects   3rd Price Campuses & Health Environment

## List of Publications (ongoing)

	T. Nideroest, Course - Landscapes of Energy, when the only water left is gray - the repeating quest for foreign watersheds, MIT Architecture, 2015 Research Articles
	T. Nideroest, Course - South Florida Rise and Sink: The Case of Miami Beach, Cocos Nucifera, GSD Landscape Architecture, 2015 Projects
	T. Nideroest, R. Segovia, Option Studio, Urban Black Holes, Ukhu Pacha: adding economic landscape value through the establishment of the first metropolitan industrial park of lima, GSD Urban Planning, 2015
	D. Dobrowolski, T. Nideroest, Option Studio, Kota Baru, Jakarta: Models of Collective Space for the Extended Metropolis, F. Correr and C. Strange, Harvard GSD, 2017

	<p><b>Teaching Experience - Teaching Assistant</b></p>
Fall 2014	Harvard GSD, STU-01211-Landscape Architecture-III (8 credits), with G. Hilderbrand, J.Hutton, S.Benedito and Z.Hong
Fall 2015	Harvard GSD, ADV-09142-Practices of Landscape Architecture (4 credits) with J.Hutton,
Spring 2016	Harvard GSD, STU-01212-Landscape Architecture-IV (8 credits), with P. Belanger, R.G.Pietrusko, F.Byrne, N.Pevzner, S.Lopez-Pineiro
	<p><b>Professional Skills</b></p>
Computer	<p>CAD (ACAD, Civil-3D, Vectorworks, Rhino)          Visualizations (Low End 3D – SketchUp, Civil 3D, Rhino.)          Adobe (InDesign, Illustrator, PhotoShop, Premiere Pro, AfterEffects)          Master Cam (Milling Software)          Next Limit Realflow (basics)          Geographic Information System (Esri, Qgis)          Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, etc.)</p>
Languages	<p>German Mother tongue          English Fluent oral and written understanding          French Intermediate oral and written understanding          Spanish Beginners level</p>
	<p><b>Professional References</b></p>
Professional	<p>Peter Walker, Principal- PWP Landscape Architecture, 739 Allston Way, Berkeley, CA 94710, (510) 849-9494, peterw@pwpla.com</p> <p>Guido Hager, Principal of Hager Partner AG, Bergstrasse 50, CH-8032 Zürich, CH, +41-44-266-3030, hager@hager-ag.ch</p>
Academic	<p>Charles Waldheim, John E. Irving Professor, Director of the Office for Urbanization, Harvard Graduate School of Design, 617-495-2367, waldheim@harvard.edu</p> <p>Bradley Cantrell, Associate Professor of Landscape Architectural Technology, Director of MLA Degree Program, bcantrell@gsd.harvard.com</p> <p>Felipe Correa, Associate Professor of Urban Planning and Design, Co-Founder of Somatic Collaborative, fcorrea@gsd.harvard.edu</p> <p>Prof. Peter Petschek, Chair Landscape Architecture Department, HSR-Rapperswil CH, +41-55-222-4974 (HSR office), ppetsche@hsr.ch</p>