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Megha Sinha's planning expertise includes services for higher education institutions, public agencies and community organizations.

With national and international experience, Megha participates in all aspects of the design and development process, from initial vision creation through detailed design and project implementation. Megha brings value to projects through her experience in comprehensive planning, master planning, community and stakeholder engagement, space planning, urban planning, site selection studies, community revitalization, sustainable planning strategies and research.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

NBBJ

- Principal / Planning & Urban Design, March 2020 - Present
- Senior Associate / Planning & Urban Design, March 2015 - Feb 2020
- Associate / Planning & Urban Design, March 2011 - Feb. 2014
- Planner / Planning & Urban Design, July 2010 - Feb. 2012

Ohio University

- Instructor, Department of Geography, Sept. 2009 - May 2010

Shepley Bulfinch Richardson & Abbott

- Planner II, Aug. 2006 - Sept. 2008

University of Buffalo

- Research / Graduate Assistant at Center for Urban Studies, Sept. 2004 - May 2006

International Economic Development Council (IEDC)

- Intern, May 2005 - Aug. 2005

EDUCATION

Masters Degree, Urban and Regional Planning, 2006

University at Buffalo, State University of New York, Bachelor of Architecture, 2003
University of Mumbai, India

BOARDS / COMMITTEES / VOLUNTEERING

P&Z Commissioner, City of Canal Winchester - May 2021-Present

APA Ohio Board of Trustee - At Large - 2019-2024

APA Ohio DEI Task Force Chair - 2020

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission Sustainability Advisory Committee, 2021-2022

Juror for the 2021 SCUP Excellence Awards

SCUP North Central Regional Council Committee Professional Development Co-Chair (At-Large Member) 2019-2022

Central Ohio APA Chapter Committee At-Large Member, 2019-2021

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission Diversity in Local Government Working Group, June-October 2018

Built Environment Transportation Infrastructure Working Group of the City of Columbus (OH) Green Team, July 2016 - July 2017

APA Conference Organizing Committee Member:

- 2018 and 2017 Central Ohio Planning and Zoning Conference
- 2017 Annual Ohio Planning Conference

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS/PUBLICATIONS

SCUP Webinar: *Re-Imagining Space Utilization*
April 21, 2021

APA Ohio Webinar: *Beyond Planning - Realizing the Mixed-Use Environment*
January 28, 2021

SCUP Webinar: *Mitigating Stress: What Neuroscience Teaches Us About Work and Collaboration*
November 18, 2020

OEDA+APA Ohio Forward Together Conference: *Economic Base Setting: What are the economic, demographic and development trends impacting our communities?*
November 17, 2020

SCUP 2020 North Central Regional Conference: *Amidst Crisis: Planning's Role in Recovery and Resiliency*
October 20, 2020

AARP OH Statewide Age-Friendly Summit firestarter talk: *APA Ohio's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Task Force initiatives*
September 23, 2020

Columbus Metropolitan Club; panel topic: *Building Boom is Still Booming*
September 16, 2020

Co-Author: *Helping Universities Adapt and Respond: Three Ways to Leverage Campus Real Estate in Support of Mission and Longevity*; published in

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nbbx; September 16, 2020 <http://meanstheworld.co/work/helping-universities-adapt-and-respond>

Author: *APA Ohio Towards Change: Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Task Force*; published in *The Ohio Planners News*; Volume 70 Number 3; Summer 2020

2020 National Planning Conference; session title: *Build Political Will Using "Grasstops" Advocacy*

SCUP 2020 National Conference; session title: *E-Scooters are Here! Plan Now to Integrate Micro-mobility on Campus.*

2019 National Planning Conference; session title: *Technology's Impact on the Planning Practice*

2019 Annual Ohio Planning Conference (Cleveland); session title: *Maturing Communities Evolve*

SCUP 2019 North Central Regional Conference: *Like Them or Not - Plan to Integrate E-Scooters/Micro-mobility Options Now!* October 28, 2019

Panelist at the *Strong Women Strong Places* event hosted by APA Central Ohio + The City and Regional Planning Student Association; February 2019

Workshop Coordinator at 2018 National Planning Conference; workshop title: *New Orleans Revitalized: The Biomedical District*

2017 Annual Ohio Planning Conference (Athens); session title: *Technology in Society and the Impact on Planning*

2019, 2018, 2017, and 2016 Central Ohio Planning and Zoning Conference:
- 2019 session title: *Co-creating a Civic Spaces and Places Framework for the City of Grandview Heights*
- 2018 session title: *Embracing Smart Growth: The Delaware County Route 36/37 Corridor Study*
- 2017 session title: *How Multiple Institutions Can Partner for Successful Neighborhood Planning: A Case Study*
- 2016 session title: *Connecting Campus and Community: Comprehensive Transportation Planning at OSU*

SCUP 2018 North Central Regional Conference: *Planning for Optimism, Inclusion, Purpose: Redefining Higher Education's Value Proposition* October 2, 2018

SCUP 2018 National Conference: *Strategic Capital Planning Like Never Before: Integrated, Bold, Practical* July 17, 2018

SCUP 2017 Southern Regional Conference: *LSU's Bold Master Planning Process: Comprehensive, Strategic, and Integrated* October 23, 2017

SCUP 2017 North Central Regional Conference: *Big Data and Virtual Reality: Present and Future Campus Planning* October 10, 2017

Contribution: *What Jane Means: 4 Women Urbanists Reflect on Their Relationship to Jane Jacobs*; Published in *Metropolis*, June 3, 2016 <https://www.metropolismag.com/cities/what-jane-means-4-women-urbanists-reflect-on-their-relationship-to-jane-jacobs/>

SCUP 2015 North Central Regional Conference, *All for One: From Community Colleges to Universities, Planning for a Culture of Collaboration* October 7, 2015

SCUP 2014 North Central Regional Conference, *A Tale of Three Institutions: Planning Amidst Challenges and Chaos* November 5-7, 2014

2013 North Central One-Day, *The Affordable Student Housing Challenge: Meeting Student Housing Needs at Community Colleges and Two-Year Regional Campuses* June 13, 2013

No Name 2012, *Planning Amidst Chaos and Managing Change: Columbus State Community College Master Planning Process* March 2012

SCUP 2012 North Central Regional Conference, *Pathways to Partnerships: Collaborating across Institutional and Regional Boundaries* October 7-10, 2012

PROJECT EXPERIENCE

RAPID5 - Scioto Corridor Vision Plan/ Franklin County, OH / Project Manager; Urban Planner

NOACA Regional Lakefront Transportation Connections Study / Northeast Ohio, OH / Urban Planner

Lesley University Campus Master Plan / Cambridge, MA / Campus Planner

Spectrum Health Urban Design and Mobility Plan / Grand Rapids, MI / Project Manager, Urban Planner

Oak Ridge National Laboratory Site Feasibility and Planning for Radio Isotope Facility / Oak Ridge, TN / Project Manager, Campus Planner

Oak Ridge National Laboratory Site Feasibility and Planning for EGCR Campus / Oak Ridge, TN / Project Manager, Campus Planner

The Bexley and Berwick Joint Livingston Avenue Plan / Bexley and Columbus, OH / Project Manager, Urban Planner

Mahoning River Corridor Revitalization Plan / Mahoning River, OH / Urban Planner

Liberty Township, Civic Facilities Planning & Programming / Liberty Township, OH / Project Manager, Programmer

Franklin University, Facilities Master Plan / Columbus, OH / Project Manager, Campus Planner

The Ohio State University, Comprehensive Transportation and Parking Plan 3 / Columbus, OH / Lead Campus Planner

Nickel Plate Trail Master Plan / Fishers, IN / Urban Planner

Reimagining Downtown Utica, Vision Plan / Utica, NY / Project Manager, Urban Planner

Belmont College Master Planning & Programming / St. Clairsville, OH / Project Manager, Campus Planner

The Ohio State University, Translational Research Animal Core Facility Feasibility Study / Columbus, OH / Project Manager, Campus Planner

Inspur IBM Innovation Campus / Jinan, China / Project Manager / Planner

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City of Grandview Heights, Civic Spaces and Places Plan / Grandview Heights, OH / Project Manager, Urban Planner

Capital University Master Plan / Bexley, OH / Project Manager, Campus Planner

City of Delaware, 36 / 37 Corridor Study / Delaware, OH / Project Manager, Lead Planner

City of Dublin, Mobility Study / Dublin, OH / Urban Planner

City of Dublin, West Bridge Street Corridor Framework Plan / Dublin, OH / Project Manager, Urban Planner

Southwest Bexley Strategic Framework Plan / Bexley, OH / Project Manager, Urban Planner

Louisiana State University, Comprehensive and Strategic Master Plan / Baton Rouge, LA / Project Manager, Campus Planner

Columbus Convention District Master Plan / Columbus, OH / Project Manager

The Brookefields Gardens Tech Campus / Bangalore, India / Project Manager

The Ohio State University, Comprehensive Transportation and Parking Plan - Phase 2 / Columbus, OH / Project Manager

Brigade 77 Acres New Town / Bangalore, India / Project Manager

City of Westerville, South State Street Study / Columbus, OH / Project Manager, Planner

Baylor College of Medicine, Baylor Global Initiatives, Global Health Hackathon / Team Leader

Washington State Community College, Master Plan / Marietta, OH / Project Manager

Shantou East Coastal Urban Design Competition / Shantou, China / Urban Planner, Project Manager

Xhongxin Future City Master Plan / Putian, China / Urban Planner, Project Manager

Baylor College of Medicine, Facilities 10 Year Master Plan / Houston, TX / Planner

Columbus Metropolitan Library, Main Library Precinct Plan / Columbus, OH / Campus Planner, Project Manager

Columbus Metropolitan Library, Driving Park Branch / Columbus, OH / Campus Planner

The Ohio State University, Athletics District Framework Plan Update / Columbus, OH / Project Manager, Campus Planner

The Ohio State University, Campbell Hall Feasibility Study / Columbus, OH / Project Manager

Columbus State Community College, Campus Master Plan / Columbus, OH / Project Manager, Campus Planner

Delgado Community College, Nursing and Allied Health Study / New Orleans, LA / Project Manager, Planner

Kent State University at Tuscarawas, Campus Master Plan / New Philadelphia, OH / Project Team

Wright State University, Campus Master Plan / Dayton, OH / Planner

Washington State University, College of Arts and Sciences Facilities Development Plan / Pullman, WA / Space Analysis

The Ohio State University, University Lab Animal Research (ULAR) Feasibility Study / Columbus, OH / Project Team

OhioHealth Riverside Methodist Hospital, Neuroscience Center and Bed Tower / Columbus, OH / Project Team

City of Upper Arlington, Development Study / Columbus, OH / Planner

Karamay World Petroleum City / Karamay, China / Planner

Karamay University Master Plan / Karamay, China / Urban Planner, Project Manager

Karamay Hospital Master Plan / Karamay, China / Planner, Project Manager

Houbo College of Medicine and Comprehensive Hospital / Karamay, China / Programmer

Tiens International University Master Plan / Wuging New Town, China / Project Manager, Campus Planner, Programmer

H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute at the University of South Florida Master Plan for New Research and Ambulatory Care Facilities / Tampa, FL / Project Team

Borgess Health Ambulatory Facility / Battle Creek, MI / Project Team

Shandong University, Qingdao Campus Conceptual Design Competition / Qingdao, China / Planner

Tianshi International University, Master Plan Competition / Tianjin, China / Planner, Project Manager

Uralkali Residential Community / Berezniki, Russia / Planner

HM Residence House Design* / Pune, India / Architect

Apartment for Senior Citizens Concept Design* / Navi Mumbai, India / Architect

Pilot's Residence Bungalow Design and Execution* / Navi Mumbai, India / Architect

Shreerang's Residence Interior Design and Execution* / Mumbai, India / Architect

Bucknell University, Campus Master Plan* / Lewisburg, PA / Project Manager, Planner

Young Harris College, Master Plan* / Young Harris, GA / Project Manager, Planner

Medical College of Georgia, Master Plan Update* / Augusta, GA / Project Manager, Planner

Emory and Henry College, Master Plan* / Emory, VA / Planner

Meredith College, Housing Site Study* / Raleigh, NC / Planner

Highland Avenue Community Participation Process for Brownfield Action* / Niagara Falls City, NY / Community Planner

Village of Depew, Main Street Revitalization Plan* / Village of Depew, NY / Community Planner

Powai and Vihar Lakes Conservation Study* / Mumbai, India / Environmental Researcher

* Experience prior to NBBJ