DHWANI DOSHI

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Dedicated to fostering gender-just and inclusive program design across development and social sectors. Demonstrated ability to mobilise communities and strengthen stakeholder capabilities. Strong aptitude for co-creating with diverse stakeholders – in particular women, children, and older people, with experience for on-ground work in 10+ cities.

EDUCATION

Tata Institute of Social Sciences | MA in Women's Studies | School of Development Studies

Mumbai (IN), 2025

- Represented TISS in Paris as one of the three exchange students selected across multiple campuses
- Intersectional perspectives on development, law, health, economy, governance, education, and research

Sciences Po | International Exchange Programme | Paris School of International Affairs

Paris (FR), Fall 2024

- Global perspectives on human rights, international politics, lobbying, policymaking, and methods
- Member of the Association Sciences Po pour les Nations Unies

Cept University | Bachelor of Urban Design | Faculty of Planning

Ahmedabad (IN), 2022

Design, planning and policy, centering field engagement, research and visualisation techniques

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Akshara Centre (non-profit) | research intern

Mumbai (IN), Nov 2023 - May 2024

- Facilitated a bystander awareness campaign: Main Hoon Na, under the Safe City program
- In collaboration with RPF, led community engagement with 100+ participants at the Lokmanya Tilak Terminus, Mumbai
- Designed assessment tools for the campaign and trained youth volunteers on community engagement practice
- Analysed and visualised 1000+ citizen inputs using Excel for the Sexual Harassment in Public Spaces report

Studio Saransh (architecture firm) | gender mainstreaming consultant

Ahmedabad (IN), Sep 2022 - May 2023

- Analysed and visualised 100+ inputs from women to inform concept and design guidelines for the project:
- Women-friendly shared spaces in high-rise apartment buildings in Gandhinagar, Gujarat

Sensing Local (urban planning firm) | urban designer intern

Bengaluru (IN), Jan 2022 - Jun 2022

- Coordinated two neighbourhood development projects in their implementation stage under DULT's SuMA grant of 5M INR each: 1) Walkable Malleswaram and 2) Complete Streets Doddenakundi
- Contributed to the monitoring and evaluation of both projects and overlooked BBMP roadworks along the project site
- Conducted community engagement with 300+ citizens as part of a major event under Walkable Malleswaram
- Delivered Liveability Index Study for Ward 9, Bhubaneswar, Odisha, and trained on-site volunteers for data collection

SCHOLARLY PUBLICATIONS AND FEATURED WORKS

MA dissertation: "Everyday travels of menstruating bodies in Mumbai local trains" Advisor: Dr. Shilpa Phadke	2025
Undergrad thesis : "Decoding public intimacy through her lens: Investigating the case of Ahmedabad Janmarg"	2021
Advisor: Dr. Victor Cano Ciborro. Delivered research insights to a broader audience:	
• Peer-reviewed journal article (under review): "Sexual Harassment in Public Transport in Ahmedabad (India)"	2025
 Conference: Selected as a Panelist on Gender and Space, hosted by Feminist Collective in Architecture 	2023
 Exhibition: City for all? by Embassy of France in Bengaluru, Ahmedabad (India) and Lyon (France) 	2022
"Urban regeneration through sensitive intervention: The case of King's Tomb, an ASI-protected monument",	
produced at CEPT University. Student project featured in academic publications:	
• Book chapter: "Rebel Bodies Rebel Cities" (pp. 60–61, 80–81, 130–133). CEPT Press	2022
 Journal article: Illustrations in "The King's and Queen's Tomb in Ahmedabad" ZARCH, 16 Cano Ciborro 	2021
Conference: Illustrations and research in "Architecture and conflict in Ahmedabad, India" JIDA by Cano Ciborro	2019

SKILLS

Technical - Adobe Suite, Google Workspace, MS Office, Canva, AutoCAD, SketchUp, GIS Interpersonal – adaptability, empathetic leadership, systems thinking, strategy, storytelling, collaboration, negotiation Language - Fluent - English, Hindi, and Gujarati; Comprehension and limited speaking - French, and Marathi

SKILLS ADVANCEMENT

Gender Equality in Transportation | WB | Gender Equality, Human Rights and Me | UN | Online Course 2022 Thimphu (BT), Gangtok (IN), 2019 Exploring Sustainable Himalayan Urbanism | CEPT | Summer School Reading and Narrating A City | CEPT | Winter School Jaisalmer (IN), 2016