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Curriculum Vitae 2026

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Current Position	Associate Professor of Landscape Architecture Harvard Graduate School of Design
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Education

2008	Harvard University Graduate School of Design Master of Landscape Architecture
2003	University of Chicago Bachelor of Arts in Art History

Academic Appointments

2023 - Present	Associate Professor Harvard Graduate School of Design, Department of Landscape Architecture
2017-2023	Assistant Professor Harvard Graduate School of Design, Department of Landscape Architecture
2016-2017	Harvard Graduate School of Design, Department of Landscape Architecture Daniel Urban Kiley Teaching Fellow
2016	Harvard Graduate School of Design, Department of Landscape Architecture Design Critic
2013	Columbia Graduate School of Architecture, Preservation & Planning Adjunct Assistant Professor

Publications	*Peer Reviewed
	Manuscript in Preparation

**Design Beyond Nature: Interior Landscapes and the Infrastructure of Life*
Under advance contract with the University of Virginia Press

Book Chapters

*Choi, Danielle. "Landscape is Labor!." In *Landscape is. . . ! Essays on the Meaning of Landscape*, eds. Gareth Doherty and Charles Waldheim. Abingdon, Oxon: Routledge, 2025

*Choi, Danielle. "Technological Landscapes of the Illinois River Valley." In *Fresh Water*, eds. Mary Pat McGuire and Jessica M. Henson, 152-161. San Francisco: Applied Research and Design, 2019.

Journal Articles

*Choi, Danielle. "Where Were We?" In "H2O," eds. Carey Clouse and Alpa Nawre, *Journal of Architectural Education* 74, no. 1 (Spring 2020): 26-36.

*Choi, Danielle. "Risk and Fun: Dan Kiley's Interior Landscape for the Ford Foundation," *Studies in the History of Gardens and Designed Landscapes* 40, no. 9 (2020): 95-109.

Choi, Danielle. "Outsiders," *Harvard Design Magazine* 47 (Spring/Summer 2019): 110-112.

*Choi, Danielle. "Juvenile Delinquents." In "Preserve," eds. Ted Shelton and Tricia Stuth, *Journal of Architectural Education* 72, no. 2 (Fall 2018): 281-283.

Choi, Danielle. "Nuclear Wood." *Harvard Design Magazine* 45 (Spring/Summer 2018): 232-233.

Otero-Pailos, Jorge. "The Not-Me Creation." Interview by Danielle Choi. *Harvard Design Magazine* 44 (Fall/Winter 2017).

Choi, Danielle and Michael Van Valkenburgh. "Ice Age." *Topos* (Netherlands) 19, no. 3 (2012).

Professional Publications

Choi, Danielle. Review of *Forest Urbanisms: New Non-Human and Human Ecologies for the 21st Century*, edited by Bruno de Meulder and Kelly Shannon. *Vertical Urbanism*, Forthcoming, December 2025.

Choi, Danielle. "Our Green is Dark, Almost Black." Review of *Intangible Heritage/Patrimonio Inmaterial*, edited by Maria A. Villalobos and Carla Urbina. *Landscape Architecture Magazine*. June 2025, 120-127.

Choi, Danielle and Emily Vogler. "Nature Makes Nature." *Landscape Architecture Magazine* 102, no. 6 (2012): 120-137.

Fellowships, Grants, Awards

2023	Harvard Graduate School of Design, Student Forum Faculty Award
2023	Harvard Mellon Urban Initiative, HMUI Urban Research Grant Co-written with G. Laster, MLA '24 "Learning with Community: Design Pedagogy and Shared Resources for Climate Adaptation" \$2500
2022	Harvard Graduate School of Design, Racial Equity and Anti-Racism Fund Honorary support for BIPOC seminar guest speakers, \$1500
2021	Harvard Graduate School of Design, Dean's Junior Faculty Grant "Urban Refugia: The Barbican Conservatory and Kew Gardens Glasshouses," \$6690
2019	Harvard University Vice Provost for Research, Milton Fund "Drain, Divert, Discharge, Design: Landscapes of Hydrologic Infrastructure," \$32,866

2019	Harvard Graduate School of Design, Dean's Junior Faculty Grant "Outsiders: Interior Landscapes in the Age of Gaia," \$4000
2018	Harvard Graduate School of Design, Joe Brown and Jacinta McCann Fund for Faculty Research "Water Infrastructure," \$4250
2018	Harvard Graduate School of Design, Dean's Junior Faculty Grant "De-Naturing Preservation," \$5000
2008	Harvard Graduate School of Design Jacob Weidenmann Graduation Award for Outstanding Achievement in Design
2003	University of Chicago / Argonne National Laboratory Argonne Scholar, Full Academic Scholarship

Invited Lectures, Panels, and Exhibitions

2025	Longwood Gardens "Designing Change: Landscape Continuity in an Age of Uncertainty" Symposium Speaker
2025	Environmental Design Department - University of Colorado Boulder Ecological Systems of Design Course lecture
2025	Weitzman School of Design - University of Pennsylvania Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, US Department of Energy Grid Deployment Office Designing for Multi-Benefit Transmission Corridors - Design Workshop
2025	Weitzman School of Design - University of Pennsylvania Proxy Landscapes Symposium Lecture: "From Reproduction to Replication"
2024	Boston Society of Landscape Architects Reflections + Projections on Landscape Trajectory
2024	UC Berkeley College of Environmental Design Equity and the Archive in Planning and Design Colloquium Lecture: "Environmental Histories, Archived Landscapes"
2024	Harvard Graduate School of Design, <i>Forest Futures</i> Exhibition Animation: <i>Digital Proxy Specimen, Fagus grandifolia and Litylenschus crenate mccannii</i>
2023	Harvard Graduate School of Design, <i>Setting the Course</i> Presenter: Framing the Landscape Architecture Core Design Studio
2022	Yale School of Architecture, Object Lessons Symposium Lecture: "Whirring, Worrying, Blending, Blurring" Proceedings in progress.
2022	Harvard Graduate School of Design Respondent: Cambridge Talks 2022 - PhD Program Annual Symposium

2020	Boston ASLA Field Book Roundtable Discussion Participants: Danielle Choi, Kiki Cooper, Aisha Densmore-Bey, Jimmy Pan Desmore-Bey, Aisha. "Unlearn," Conversation with Danielle Choi, Kiki Cooper, Jimmy Pan. <i>BSLA Fieldbook 11</i> (2020): 52-55
2020	Harvard Graduate School of Design, Department of Landscape Architecture Moderator: Plants and the Design Imagination: Ron Henderson, Julian Raxworthy, Doug Reed
2019	Harvard Graduate School of Design, Department of Landscape Architecture Moderator: Sacred Groves and Secret Parks
2019	Harvard Graduate School of Design Womxn in Design Roundtable Discussion: "Labor"
2018	Harvard Graduate School of Design Department of Landscape Architecture Respondent: Envisioning Future Resilience Scenarios for the Boston Harbor Islands
2018	Harvard Graduate School of Design Faculty Presenter: Grounded Visionaries Campaign Celebration
2017	Harvard Graduate School of Design, Department of Landscape Architecture Lecture: Daniel Urban Kiley Fellowship
2017	Harvard Graduate School of Design, Design Discovery Program Lecture: Recent Work
2017	Harvard Graduate School of Design Department of Landscape Architecture Respondent: Planting in the Public Realm - Projects & Projections
2016	Boston Society of Architects Invited Participant: Urban Peacescapes Workshop
2016	Harvard Graduate School of Design Harvard Mellon Urban Initiative Faculty Moderator: Gentrification by Design: Shaping Neighborhood Change
2015	University of Virginia, Department of Landscape Architecture Lecture: "Engineering as a Second Language"
2015	Columbia University GSAPP, MSAUD Fall Studio Lecture: "Engineering as a Second Language," with Michael Luegering
2014	Association des architectes paysagistes du Québec, Annual Conference Lecture: "Inherited Landscapes: Recent Work of Michael Van Valkenburgh Associates"
2014	City University of New York CityTech, Department of Architectural Technology Lecture: "Infrastructure and the Invented Landscape," with Scott Streeb
2013	University of North Dakota Fargo, Department of Landscape Architecture Lecture: "Inherited Landscapes: Recent Work of Michael Van Valkenburgh Associates"

Conference Presentations

2024	Society of Architectural Historians Annual Conference Session Chair: "Plants as Technological Objects; Plants as Technological Subjects"
2023	Conference of Educators in Landscape Architecture (CELA) Paper: "Beyond the Bagel: A New Case for Pop in Landscape Architecture"
2021	Conference of Educators in Landscape Architecture (CELA) Paper: "After the Plantationocene: Three Epilogues"
2020	Society of Architectural Historians Annual Conference Paper: "Interior Landscapes in the Age of Gaia" Session: Urban Affects: A New Materialist Approach to the Global City
2018	School of the Art Institute of Chicago Chicago Design: Histories and Narratives, Questions and Methods Paper: "Landscapes of Infrastructure: Jens Jensen's Illinois"
2018	University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Freshwater Symposium Paper: "Technological Landscapes of the Illinois River Valley"

Courses Taught - Harvard Graduate School of Design

Studios

Landscape Architecture I - Coordinator, Section Instructor, Pre-Term Workshop
Landscape Architecture II - Section Instructor
Landscape Architecture III - Coordinator, Section Instructor, Pre-Term Workshop
Landscape Architecture IV - Section Instructor

Seminars

Origin Stories: The Migration of Material Practices
Environmental Histories, Archived Landscapes
Island Observatory
Planted Form and Reformation
The Poetics of Planting Design

Teaching-Related Service

Design Discovery - Lead Faculty Coordinator, Landscape Architecture
Sensory Media Workshop - Co-chair

Theses Advised

2026	Kai Blatt, "Architecture for a Watershed" MArch I thesis, co-advised with Sarah Whiting
2025	August Sklar, "Staging Riis" GSD Thesis Prize, Landscape
	Dafne Saint-Hilaire, "Copper Americana" MArch I thesis, co-advised with Charles Waldheim

2024	Sophie Chien, "Practicing Spatial Justice: Design-Organizing for Abolition"
2023	Catherine Auger, "Kreat.kreat...takta...toktok: Between the Gaps of Conservation"
2022	Lucy Humphreys, "Reciprocal Optimism: Projecting Terrestrial Analogues" GSD Thesis Prize
	Jacob Cascio, "Rest Stop Vending Machine: California, 2033"
2021	Eric Van Dreason, "Camp Molasses"
2021	Kira Clingen (MDES), "TEOTWAWKI (The End of the World as We Know it): A Designer's Guide to Prepping"
2020	Chelsea Kilburn, "That Sinking Feeling: Subsidence Parables of the San Joaquin Valley" GSD Thesis Prize
2019	Ann Hunter-Lynch, "Inveterate Scars: Post-Monument Sites in Richmond, Virginia"
2019	Malone Matson, "Muck City: Regeneration as Resistance in Florida's Agro-Industrial Heartland" Boston ASLA Award of Merit
	Isabel Preciado, "Airscape: Rendering the Materiality of Air"

University Service and Affiliations - Harvard Graduate School of Design and Harvard University

2025-	Penny White Project Fund Committee (Landscape Architecture)
2025	Mahindra Humanities Center Postdoctoral Fellow Selection Committee
2022-	Faculty Affiliate - Harvard Mellon Urban Initiative
2022-2023	Faculty Search Committee - Assistant Professor - Materials and Design, Tenure Track (Landscape Architecture)
2022-2023	Faculty Search Committee - Assistant Professor - Territorial Scale, Tenure Track (Landscape Architecture)
2021-2023	Faculty Search Committee - Environmental Historian, Tenure Track (Landscape Architecture)
2021-	Curriculum Coordination Committee (Landscape Architecture)
2021-2022	Public Lectures and Events (Landscape Architecture)
2020	Milton Fund Peer Reviewer - Harvard University Office of the Vice Provost
2020	Student Publication Selection Committee (GSD)
2019-	Harvard University Hearing Committee Pool
2019-	Review Board and Academic Misconduct Panel (GSD)
2019	Staff Search Committee - Associate Dean for Development & Alumni Relations (GSD)

2018	Dean's Response Task Force (GSD)
2018–	Harvard University Design Advisory Pool
2017–2022	Penny White Project Fund Committee (Landscape Architecture)
2018, 2022	Kiley Teaching Fellowship Committee (Landscape Architecture)
2016–Present	MLA Admissions Committee (Landscape Architecture)

Academic Service

2025	Black in Design Conference - Office Hours and Student Portfolio Review
2025	Boston Architectural College Summer Academy
2024	Peer Review (1 journal article) Environment and Planning E: Nature and Space
2020	Manuscript Proposal Peer Review - Routledge

Design Studio Final Review Juries (External)

PENN Landscape and Regional Planning Graduate Core Studio (Fall 2025)
 Northeastern Architecture Thesis Reviews (Spring 2025)
 Pratt Landscape Graduate Core Studios (Spring 2024)
 PENN Landscape Graduate Options Studio (Spring 2024)
 Yale School of Architecture Core-IV (Spring 2024)
 University of Toronto Integrated Urbanism Studio (Fall 2022)
 PENN Landscape and Regional Planning Graduate Core Studio (Spring 2022)
 SUNY Buffalo Architecture Graduate Research Studio (Fall 2021)
 University of Toronto Integrated Urbanism Studio (Fall 2021)
 UCL Bartlett "Super Crit" (Spring 2021)
 MIT SMarchS (Spring 2021)
 University of Toronto Landscape Thesis (Spring 2021)
 University of British Columbia Options Studios (Fall 2020)
 University of Toronto Core (Fall 2020)
 Yale School of Architecture Core-III (Spring 2020)
 Columbia GSAPP Urban Design (Spring 2019)
 RISD Landscape Architecture (Fall 2018, Spring 2020)
 Northeastern Urban Design (Spring 2018)
 University of Virginia (Spring 2016)

Professional Juries (as Harvard University Design Review Advisor)

2024	Harvard University South of Science Play Area Designer Selection
2023	Harvard University Economics Department Architect Selection
2022	Arnold Arboretum Entrances Project Designer Selection
2020	Harvard University Economics Department Feasibility Study Selection
2019	Harvard University 175 North Harvard Street Residential Project Architect
2019	Harvard University Campus Wayfinding Designer
2019	Dumbarton Oaks Greenhouse Selection

2019 Harvard Allston Master Planning Firm

Professional Registration & Employment

2016	Landscape Architect, New York State License #002599-1
2009 –2017	Michael Van Valkenburgh Associates (MVVA), New York Senior Associate
2008–2009	TOPOTEK 1, Berlin Designer
2007	Hargreaves Associates, New York Intern Designer
2006	SCAPE Studio, New York Intern Designer
2003–2005	Michael Van Valkenburgh Associates, New York Studio Assistant

Selected Professional Design, Planning, and Management

2025	Monument Circle, Indianapolis, IN Consultant to Merritt Chase
2017	Detroit Riverfront Competition Independent Consultant to MVVA
2017	Dix Park Competition, Raleigh, NC Independent Consultant to MVVA
2016	Obama Presidential Center, Chicago, IL Project Manager, MVVA
2016	Imagine Boston 2030, Boston, MA Lead Landscape Planner, MVVA
2013	Amherst College Framework Plan Lead Landscape Planner, MVVA
2012–2013	Private Residence, Garrison, NY Design and Construction Administration, MVVA
2011–2016	Waller Creek, Austin, Texas Project Manager & Landscape Designer, MVVA
2010–2011	Waller Creek, Austin, Texas Competition Lead, MVVA
2010–2011	ABCNoRio Roof Garden, New York, NY Independent Consultant
2010–2011	Blair Walk Restoration, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ Lead Designer, MVVA
2009–2010	Novartis Headquarters Campus, East Hanover, NJ Lead Designer, MVVA
2008	Superkilen, Copenhagen, Denmark Designer, Topotek
2008	Bord Gáis Networks Centre, Dublin, Ireland Designer, Topotek