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Landscape Architecture

*Evidence-based design for **healthier**, more **resilient** cities globally.*

RESEARCH EXPERTISE

- South Asian Megacity water infrastructure (India)
- Perception/performance of urban vegetation
- Urban Biodiversity/landscape preference
- Informal Urban Greenspace (IGS): vacant lots, medians, brownfields, etc
- Urban hydrology: water quality monitoring, hydrological modelling (EPA SWMM 5.1)

PROFESSIONAL PREPARATION

- BFA, Otis College, 2008
- Fulbright Nehru Fellowship 2016-2017
- Fellow of the American Academy in Rome, 2015
- PhD, University of Michigan, 2021

FAVORITE ARTICLE

Phillips, D., Lindquist, M. (2021). Just Weeds? Comparing assessed and perceived biodiversity of urban spontaneous vegetation in informal greenspaces in the context of two American legacy cities. *Urban Forestry & Urban Gardening*, 62, 127151. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ufug.2021.127151>

We got to do a lot of field work in some fascinating post-industrial cities including Detroit and Flint, Michigan. There's so much spontaneous urban biodiversity thriving amongst the "ruins".

WHAT MAKES THE DAVIS COLLEGE GREAT?

Landscape Architecture has always found itself somewhere in between Art and Science. What makes Davis college great is the opportunity for our students and faculty to push beyond aesthetic concerns to consider how our designed landscapes can perform vital functions and services ecologically.