# MEHRAN QURESHI

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## EDUCATION

**London School of Economics and Political Science** *2015 - 2016*
M.Sc. City Design and Social Science

**School of Planning and Architecture, New Delhi** *2012 - 2014*
Masters in Urban Planning

**Malaviya National Institute of Technology, Jaipur** *2007 - 2012*
Bachelors in Architecture

## EXPERIENCE

**Assistant Professor & I/C Head**, Department of Architecture, School of Architecture & Planning, IUST Awantipora, J&K *Nov 2020 till present*

**Assistant Professor of Architecture**, School of Architecture - Kashmir *Jun 2017 – Nov 2020*
Involved in establishment of School of Architecture with J&K Govt. Higher Education Department

**Consultant Architect & Designer**, L-Crystals, Srinagar *Oct 2016 - May 2017*
Solutions for stone as a construction material: Design, product design, urbanization of stone, rediscovering the historical role of stone in Kashmir's cityscape

**Consultant Architect**, Mimar Architects, Srinagar *Apr 2015 - Sep 2015*
Pratap Park-Landscape design and management: Under Godfrey Phillips & Help Foundation CSR

**Urban Planner**, Institute of Social Sciences, New Delhi *Jun 2014 - Mar 2015*
Urbanization - Bihar 2031: funded by the $5^{th}$ State Finance Commission of Bihar

**Urban Planner**, Town Planning Organization, Kashmir *May 2013 - Jul 2013*
Master plan/Sustainable Tourism - Pahalgam (Kashmir): Transportation and Tourism surveys

**Architect**, S K Das Architects and Urbanists, New Delhi *Jan 2011 - May 2011*
Housing and commercial drafting of basic drawings, presentation drawings

## PUBLICATIONS

Hakim Sameer Hamdani, Mehran Qureshi. **Identity and Reform in Kashmiri Shi'i Society: 1890 - 1947.** *The Oxford Handbook of Islamic Reform, Oxford University Press, forthcoming Jan 2025*

Hakim Sameer Hamdani, Mehran Qureshi. **The Art of Book in Early Modern Kashmir: A case of illuminated manuscript of Diwan-i Hafiz.** *The Routledge Companion to Global Renaissance Art, Taylor & Francis, 300-315/2024*

Mehran Qureshi. **Landscape in Translation: Kashmir of Zain al-Abidin.** *LA Landscape Journal, 2022*

Mehran Qureshi. **Book review of Solitudo: Spaces, Places, and Times of Solitude in Medieval and Early Modern Cultures.** *Published in Reading Religion, a journal of the American Academy of Religion, 2018*

Mehran Qureshi, Megan Groth, Daphne Lee, Maria Elena. **Infrastructural Urbanism: Street and Pavement Infrastructure.** *LSE Cities, 2059-2116, 85/2016*

Mehran Qureshi, O. P. Mathur, Dibyendu Samanta, Deeksha Matta, Varsha Gupta. **Urbanization Matters: Bihar Urbanization Report 2031.** *Institute of Social Sciences, New Delhi, 2015*

## RESEARCH PROJECTS

**Architectural Epigraphy in Early Modern Kashmir**, Barakat Trust, UK *2023 till present*

**Low-cost, energy-efficient and seismically safe prototype house for Kashmir**, CIED-IUST Foundation, India *2023 till present*

**Safeguarding Sultanate period tombstones of Mazar-i-Salatin and Mazar-i-Kalan, Srinagar**, Prince Claus Fund (CER), Netherlands *2021 - 2022*

## CONSULTANCY PROJECTS

**School of Humanities and Languages for Transmission and Interpretation Centre at Campus III, IUST**, IUST Awantipora *2023 till present*

**Central Workshop**, IUST Awantipora *2023 till present*

**UNESCO Creative Cities Network - Srinagar Dossier Preparation**, World Bank *2019*

## AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

**Chevening Scholar at London School of Economics**, funded by UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office *2015 - 2016*

## SEMINARS AND WORKSHOPS

**Faculty Induction/Orientation Programme**, organised by Teaching Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi *Nov 2022 - Dec 2022*

**Training Programme on *New Ways of Engaging with History for Architects***, organised by Council of Architecture. *Nov 2022*

**Resilient, Affordable and Comfortable Housing through National Action (RACHNA) training**, organised by CEPT University, Ahmedabad. *Oct 2022*

## OTHER ACTIVITIES

**Organiser** *Jun 2024*
*Naqsh-i-Dawaam*, Exhibition on Architectural Epigraphy

**Reviewer** *Apr 2024 - Jun 2024*
South Asia: Journal of South Asian Studies

**Organiser** *Oct 2023*
Workshop on *Low-Cost, Energy-Efficient, and Seismically-Safe Prototype House for Kashmir*

**Invited Talk** *Feb 2023*
A study of Sultanate Period Gravestones of Mazar-i Kalan & Mazar-i Salatin of Kashmir (Virtual Islamic Art History Seminar Series)

**Organising Secretary** *Oct 2022*
Three-Day International Conference on *Culture, Heritage and Spirituality of Kashmir: Retrospect and Prospect*

**Resource Person** *May 2022*
Two days interactive workshop on Local Area Plan & Town Planning Scheme organized by Town Planning Organization Kashmir

**Organiser** *Dec 2021*
Day-Long workshop on *Exploration of Cultural Resources*

**External Examiner** *Dec 2018*
Invited as an external juror for various studio courses like Graphic Design, Computer Aided Design, etc at National Institute for Fashion Technology, Srinagar

**Resource Person** *Jul 2018*
Invited for ILEM International Summer School on Urban Crisis is Muslim Societies in Istanbul

**Invited Talk** *Jun 2018*
Delivered a lecture on Islamic Art and Architecture in 10-day Summer School at Department of Islamic Studies, IUST, Kashmir

## LANGUAGES AND OTHER SKILLS

**Computer Skills**
MS Office, Autocad, Revit, Google Sketchup, Adobe Photoshop

**Languages**
English (IELTS Score 8.5), Urdu, Persian, Arabic, Kashmiri