

# STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

## For M.Arch

During my childhood, I had no idea about architecture. But I was interested in drawings, sketches and crafts. My parents identified my passion about drawings and I started taking drawing class at Bangladesh academy. I realized that sketches and crafts give me immense eternal joy and satisfaction. I participated in many drawing competitions and secure places in upazila and district level. While studying in college one of my teacher advised me to pursue architecture after realizing my interest in drawings.

From young age, my interests have always revolved around buildings, design, structures and how these things came to be. I grew to be fascinated by architectural masterpieces. I could spend minutes staring at buildings, then trying to replicate the same in my mind to see whether I could figure a piece like that out. So, right from then, I knew what my career path would look like. I knew where my interests lie.

As both of my parents were govt officers, several transfers took places. It gave me an opportunity to Explore new places and interact with people of different cultures. I have learned to adjust myself with new places, new people and different cultures. I find very comfortable to mix with people of different cultures.

I have completed my B.Arch from the Department of Architecture at Rajshahi University of Engineering & Technology, Bangladesh. This course of study gave me a thorough knowledge in architecture and design. With academic education I have participated in many architectural competitions such as “International Finsa award-2017”, “Samdani art foundation pavilion design competition, Bangladesh”, “International Finsa award-2018”, “Reside-Mumbai Mixed housing” and achieved Honorable mention in “Qcity-Qinhuandao Competition, China” and short listed in “CTBUH-2018International Student Tall Building Design Competition, USA” and “A-Z international Architecture Design Award-2020, UNI”. In addition, I was active in many Cultural program in my university like “Bengali pahela baisakh”, “Pahela falgun”, “Nobin boron”, farewell etc. This experience developed my leadership, time-management and interpersonal skills. Having interest in the field of research I am recently writing two research paper named i) ‘An Approach to identify the green corridor in Reviving the green Networks of Rajshahi city.’ And ii) ‘Architecture for confinement: Designing the built environment of prison in the context of Bangladesh.’ The second one is related to my final year thesis project. I have also gain practical knowledge by completing my internship from Oredh architects and associate Ltd.

During my final year project, in search of inspiration, I thought about designing a jail. In our country we are putting people in jail and then turning them back into society as even more heinous criminals. So, I decided to design a jail that will the prisoner to have human rights and improve them as a human being and after returning from jail they can earn their livelihood. That’s why I selected my thesis “Khulna central jail.” It was a challenging project as jail information has always been confidential. It was really a tough task to get the permission to visit jail and talk to the prisoner

about their life story how they get into the jail and the facilities they are given and what will they do after releasing from jail. There was many information that could only get from the duty officers. Another challenge that I faced was to find international case studies which was needed to understand the whole project and how it works. So, I contacted with the people who have done this project before and collected the required books from them and their university libraries. Finally, this project was a successful one and it secured third position in my department. But my journey didn't stop there, it was only the beginning. I have shared my point of view to the present jail super and project related authorities.

For me Architecture isn't about designing a building rather architecture is how it serves the community. It is said that what we design that design us. Normal settings will generate normal behavior. Empowerment of prisoner can be possible by educating them and giving them vocational training. Rehabilitation can be possible by giving them art therapy, music therapy, exercise facilities, prayer space, library etc. This is about recognizing basic fundamental needs as a human being and made them realize what they have done and restrains them from doing it again.

I would like to pursue Master's study to upgrade my knowledge and skills in my areas of interest. I am applying to your university after viewing the course curriculum provided by your university. As the research focus and facilities available in your department complement my research interests and requirements, I believe that being a part of your department would not only enhance my career opportunities, but also help me realize my maximum potential. Thus, I feel that as a Masters student at your department, I can avail myself numerous exciting opportunities. I believe it will give direction to my career goal as an academic or research-oriented organization.

In conclusion, I find that your university offers the pre-requisites needed to achieve my goals in life. The work experience, research or training that I will acquire during the course of this program will help me to get a head start in my career and it is this magnetism that has attracted me to your university. I feel confident that my background would help me make the most of our program and unleash my true potential essential. I look forward to being a strong addition to your department. I hope that this brief statement has given you a better idea of my abilities, experience and interests. I am very confident that if I get an opportunity to be a part of that intellectually stimulating environment, I am sure that my talents will be put to optimal use.