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## Education

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| 2018 - Present | PhD Candidate in Computational Design<br>Carnegie Mellon University, School of Architecture, Pittsburgh, PA              |
| 2016 - 2018    | Masters in Advanced Architectural Design (MAAD)<br>Carnegie Mellon University, School of Architecture, Pittsburgh, PA    |
| 2007 - 2013    | Bachelor in Architecture, graduated with Honors<br>Barcelona School of Architecture, Polytechnic University of Catalonia |

## Licenses & Certificates

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| 2020 | Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs) Specialization<br>deeplearning.ai, Coursera           |
| 2019 | Mathematics for Machine Learning: Linear Algebra<br>Imperial College London, Coursera        |
| 2019 | Mathematics for Machine Learning: Multivariate Calculus<br>Imperial College London, Coursera |
| 2015 | Licensed Architect<br>Colegio de Arquitectos, Granada, Spain                                 |

## Work Experience

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| 2023 - Present | Co-founder and CEO<br>Flumio Inc.<br>Text-to-Fabrication Startup   |
| 2018 - Present | Studio Instructor<br>Carnegie Mellon University, School of Architecture<br>Freshmen and Sophomore BArch  |
| 2021-2022      | Research Scientist Intern - Summer<br>Adobe Research, Adobe Inc.<br>Mentors 2022: Daichi Ito, Jose Echevarria, Yannick Hold-Geoffroy, Yijun Li, Cameron Smith<br>Mentors 2021: Aaron Hertzmann, Matthew Fisher |
| 2021-2022      | Co-Instructor<br>Carnegie Mellon University, School of Architecture<br>48770 Intro to Machine Learning in Design<br>NLP and Multi-modal ML   |

## Services

2019	Teaching Assistant - Summer Carnegie Mellon University, Language Technologies Institute 11785 Intro to Deep Learning - Professor Bhiksha Raj Latent and Implicit Generative Neural Models
2017 - 2019	Studio Instructor Carnegie Mellon University, School of Architecture Pre-College
2016 - 2019	Research Assistant Carnegie Mellon University, School of Architecture Robotic Incremental forming Robotic 3D-contour crafting
2017 - 2018	Teaching Assistant Carnegie Mellon University, School of Architecture Advanced Synthesis Option Studio
2015 - 2017	Registered Architect Ladron de Guevara Office of Architecture, owned licensed office K house, 3-story family house building, Granada, Spain. Built O house, 2-story family house building, Granada, Spain Jinx house, 2-story family house building, Cordoba, Spain
2014 - 2015	Project Architect Studio Idealyc, London, United Kingdom Selwyn Road Benson House Vivian Road Underwood Road
2013 - 2014	Project Architect Cloud9, Enric Ruiz Geli Architecture. Barcelona, Spain. Ampo Masterplan, Guipuzcoa, Spain. Ampo Creativity House, Guipuzcoa, Spain, elBulli Foundation, Girona, Spain. PortOle, Krasnodar, Russia. Aiguablava, Girona, Spain.
2012 - 2013	Architectural Assistant ASZ arquitectes, Internship, Barcelona, Spain
2011 - 2012	Architectural Assistant Studio Idealyc, Internship, London, United Kingdom.
2023	Thesis Reviews Invited reviewer at Virginia Tech School of Architecture for 5th and 3rd year students
2023 - Present	Conference Reviewer IEEE/CVF Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV)
2020 - Present	Conference Reviewer International Conference of the Association for Computer-Aided Archi- tectural Design Research in Asia —CAADRIA.

## Publications

### *Artificial Intelligence*

- 2023      **Ladron de Guevara, M.**, Echevarria J., Li Y., Hold-Geoffroy, Y., Smith C., Ito D. “Cross-modal Latent Space Alignment for Image to Avatar Translation”. ICCV 2023
- 2023      **Ladron de Guevara, M.**, Fisher, M., Hertzmann A., forthcoming 2023. “Attention-Based Painting”.
- 2023      **Ladron de Guevara, M.**, Fisher, M., Hertzmann A., forthcoming 2023. “Im2Painting: Precise Precise Painterly Stylization”.
- 2022      **Ladron de Guevara, M.**, Schneidman, A., Byrne, D., Krishnamurti, R. “A Multimodal Approach for Grounding Design Attributes”. CUMINCAD 2022
- 2022      Veloso, P., Rhee, J., Bidgoli, A., **Ladron de Guevara, M.**, “Bubble2Floor: A pedagogical experience with deep learning for floor plan generation.”. CUMINCAD 2022
- 2020      Cazenavette, G., **Ladron de Guevara, M.**, “MixerGAN: An MLP-Based Architecture for Unpaired Image-to-Image Translation. <https://arxiv.org/pdf/2105.14110.pdf>
- 2020      **Ladron de Guevara, M.**, George, C., Gupta, A., Byrne, D., & Krishnamurti, R. (2020). “Multimodal Word Sense Disambiguation in Creative Practice”. Forthcoming In IEEE International Conference on Machine Learning and Applications. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2007.07758>.  
Video presentation: <https://youtu.be/iD3ZhytPZ9I>
- 2020      Bidgoli, A., **Ladron De Guevara, M.**, Hsiung C., Oh J., and Kang E. (2020) “Artistic Style in Robotic Painting; a Machine Learning Approach to Learning Brushstroke from Human Artists.” In Proceedings of the 29th International Conference on Robot and Human Interactive Communication (RO-MAN). Naples.

### *Computational Design and Robotic Fabrication*

- 2020      **Ladron de Guevara, M.**, Borunda, L. R., Byrne, D., & Krishnamurti, R. (2020). “Multi-resolution in architecture as a design driver for additive manufacturing applications”. International Journal of Architectural Computing. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1478077120924802>
- 2019      **Ladron de Guevara M.**, Borunda L., Krishnamurti R. (2019) “A Multi-resolution Design Methodology Based on Discrete Models”. In: Lee JH. (eds) Computer-Aided Architectural Design. “Hello, Culture”. CAAD Futures 2019. Communications in Computer and Information Science, vol 1028. Springer, Singapore. [https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-13-8410-3\\_7](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-13-8410-3_7)
- 2019      **Ladron de Guevara M.**, Borunda L., Ficca, J., Byrne, Daragh., Krishnamurti R. (2019). “Robotic Free-Oriented Additive Manufacturing Technique for Thermoplastic Lattice and Cellular Structures”, In M. Haeusler, M. A. Schnabel, T. Fukuda (eds.), Intelligent & Informed - Proceedings of the

24th CAADRIA Conference - Volume 2, Victoria University of Wellington, Wellington, New Zealand, 15-18 April 2019, pp. 333-342.

- 2019 Borunda L., **Ladron de Guevara M.**, Anaya J. (2019). “Design Method for Optimized Infills in Additive Manufacturing Thermoplastic Components”, In J.P. Sousa, G. C. Henriques, J. P. Xavier (eds.), Architecture in the age of the 4th Industrial Revolution - Proceedings of the eCAADE 37 / SIGraDI 23 Conference - Volume 1, University of Porto, Porto, Portugal, 11-13 September 2019, pp. 493-502.
- 2018 Borunda, L., **Ladron de Guevara, M.**, Anaya, J. and Pugliese, G., (2018). “Optimized Additive Manufacturing Building Components”. In 4th International Conference on Technological Innovation in Building (CITE), Madrid.
- 2018 Borunda, L., **Ladron de Guevara, M.**, Anaya J., Pugliese G., “Human-Machine Collaboration Practices for Manufacturing Digitally Designed Complex Surfaces”, (2018). In the International Conference on Construction Research – Eduardo Torroja AEC.
- 2018 Masters Thesis Publication: “Multi-Resolution in Architectural Design and Robotic Fabrication: Novel Resolution Based Computational Method and Free-Oriented Additive Manufacturing Technique.  
[https://kilthub.cmu.edu/articles/Multi-Resolution\\_in\\_Architectural\\_Design\\_and\\_Robotic\\_Fabrication\\_Novel\\_resolution\\_based\\_computational\\_method\\_and\\_Free\\_Oriented\\_Additive\\_Manufacturing\\_technique/7135835/1](https://kilthub.cmu.edu/articles/Multi-Resolution_in_Architectural_Design_and_Robotic_Fabrication_Novel_resolution_based_computational_method_and_Free_Oriented_Additive_Manufacturing_technique/7135835/1)
- 2013 BArch thesis published at the Symposium “Rethinking cities: Framing the Future” with the exhibition My Very Own City (MVOC) curated by Institute for Advanced Architecture of Catalonia (IAAC). Curators: Areti Markopoulou, collaborator: Maite Bravo.  
<http://www.iaacblog.com/2012/10/08/opening-of-the-world-bank-symposium-rethinking-cities-framing-the-future/>

## Lectures & Workshops

- 2023 Panelist, AI and Architecture debate. Forthcoming, Barcelona
- 2019 Opening Lecture “The impact of industrial robots in the construction industry 4.0” for the XV Engineering Week, at the Engineering and Technical School, UAJC, Juarez, Mexico.
- 2018 Autodesk Build Space, Robotically Augmented Incremental Forming workshop, co-leader along Jeremy Ficca, Boston, Massachusetts.

## Honors and Awards

- 2020 Computational Design Research Support microgrant, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh
- 2018 - 2020 Graduate Student Small Project Help (GuSH) grant Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh
- 2018 Studio for Creative Inquiry, Frank-Ratyche grant Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh

2018	PhD Tuition waiver Carnegie Mellon University
2013	B.Arch Thesis Honors Barcelona School of Architecture, Politechnic University of Catalonia
2013	B.Arch Thesis exhibition and catalogue publication 10+10 AAAB Center of Barcelona

## Additional Information

Startup	Co-founder and CEO of Flumio (pre-seed stage)
Research Unit	Co-founder of CRAIDL— <i>Creative AI and Design Launchpad</i> —artificial intelligence research group at the CodeLab, School of Architecture, Carnegie Mellon University.
Languages	Spanish (Native), English (Proficient), Catalan (Proficient)
Programming	Python, Pytorch, R
Software	AutoCAD, Revit, Dynamo Rhinoceros, Grasshopper Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign RobotStudio, HAL

## AI & CS Courses Taken at Carnegie Mellon University

### Artificial Intelligence

16-824 Visual Learning and Recognition	F21
16-726 Learning-based Image Synthesis	S21
10-403 Deep RL and Control	S21
11-747 Neural Networks for NLP	S21
11-777 Multimodal Machine Learning	F20
11-785 Introduction to Deep Learning	S20
11-611 Natural Language Processing	S20
10-601 Machine Learning	F19
10-737 Creative AI	F19

### Mathematics and Statistics

36-600 Over. Statistical Learning and Modeling	F22
21-120 Differential Integral Calculus	S19
21-241 Matrices and Linear Transformations	S19

### Computer Science and Computational Design

15-112 Fundamentals of programming & CS	F18
15-122 Principles of Imperative Computing	F18
48-782 Design Computation I	F17
48-784 Design Computation II	F17