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Areas of Expertise

Universal/Inclusive Design, Spatial Experience, Social Sustainability, Environment-Behaviour Studies

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Personal Information

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Studies of Interior Architecture (SoIA),
School of Architecture and Interior Architecture,
College of Built Environment (CBE), UiTM.

Research Interest Group: Inclusive Built Environment and Social Sustainability (iBEST)

Research Nexus UiTM (ReNeU): Social, Creativity and Innovation (SCI)

Academic Qualifications

Master of Science in the Specialism of the Built Environment, 2014, Universiti Teknologi MARA, Malaysia

Bachelor of Science Interior Design, 2009, University of Wisconsin - Madison, United States of America

Additional Major in Economics, 2009, University of Wisconsin - Madison, United States of America

Certificate in Textile Science, 2009, University of Wisconsin - Madison, United States of America

Professional Members

1. Malaysian Institute of Interior Designers (MIID), Academic Member, 2024 - present
2. Association of Malaysian Environment-Behaviour Researchers (AMER), Member, 2016 - present

Teaching and Learning

1. Bachelor Degree, 2023-present | Design Project I & II | Studio, Lecture & Tutorial
2. Bachelor Degree, 2016-present | Interior Design I,II,III & IV | Studio, Lecture & Tutorial
3. Bachelor Degree, 2024-present | Interior Landscape | Studio & Tutorial
4. Bachelor Degree, 2017-present | Dissertation I & II | Lecture, Tutorial & Supervision
5. Bachelor Degree, 2018-2023 | Independent Studies | Lecture, Tutorial & Supervision
6. Bachelor Degree, 2016-2023 | Environmental Psychology | Lecture & MOOC
7. Bachelor Degree, 2022 | History of Interior Design | Lecture & Tutorial
8. Bachelor Degree, 2021-2022 | Basic Design | Lecture, Studio & Tutorial
9. Bachelor Degree, 2020-2021 | Furniture Design | Lecture, Studio & Tutorial
10. Bachelor Degree, 2017-2022 | Drawing | Lecture, Studio & Tutorial
11. Bachelor Degree, 2017 | Sculpture & Painting | Lecture, Studio & Tutorial

Publications

Proceedings Paper

- Abdul Kadir, S. & Wilastrina, A. (2023). Spatial Perception and Existential Senses of Being in a Place. *Environment-Behaviour Proceedings Journal*, 8(24), 341-345.
- Abdul Kadir, S., Aris, N.N. and Ginting, N. (2022). Social and Creative Hubs as the Third Places of Post-Covid Era. *Environment-Behaviour Proceedings Journal*, 7(21), 103-109.
- Abdul Kadir, S., Aris, N.N. and Ginting, N. (2022). Exploring the Concept of Spatial Identity within a Building Environment. *Environment-Behaviour Proceedings Journal*, 7(19), 55-59.
- Abdul Kadir, S., Aris, N.N., Rahman, S. and Hasri, N.H. (2022). Conducive Learning Space for Design-Based Students in Open and Distance Learning (ODL) Implementation, *Proceedings of the 2nd International Conference on Design Industries & Creative Culture, DESIGN DECODED 2021, 24-25 August 2021*, 1-9.
- Rahman, S., Hasri, N.H., Abdul Kadir, S. and Aris, N.N. (2022). Contribution of Films in Interior Design Multidisciplinary Approach: A Case Study on Ghost in The Shell. *Proceedings of the 2nd International Conference on Design Industries & Creative Culture, DESIGN DECODED 2021, 24-25 August 2021*, 1-11.
- Abdul Kadir, S. (2020). The Use of Social Media in Millennials' Teaching and Learning Activities in Design-Related Course. *Environment-Behaviour Proceedings Journal*, 5(13), 133-141.
- Abdul Kadir, S., Jamaludin, M. and Awang, A.R. (2020). Accessibility Adaptation in Heritage Boutique Hotels: Malacca case studies. *Environment-Behaviour Proceedings Journal*, 5(13), 205-211.
- Abdul Haris Nasution, M.N. and Abdul Kadir, S. (2020). The Space Organisation for Workflow Accessibility in Street Bike Service Centre. *Environment-Behaviour Proceedings Journal*, 5(14), 43-49.
- Abdul Kadir, S., Jamaludin, M. and Awang, A.R. (2019). Accessibility Adaptation in Heritage Boutique Hotels: A review on literature. *Environment-Behaviour Proceedings Journal*, 4(10), 103-108.
- Abdul Kadir, S. and Jamaludin, M. (2013). Staff Assistance as a Crucial Aspect of Accessibility in Public Buildings. *Procedia - Social and Behavioral Sciences*, 101, 140-146.
- Abdul Kadir, S. and Jamaludin, M. (2013). Universal Design as a Significant Component for Sustainable Life and Social Development. *Procedia - Social and Behavioral Sciences*, 85, 179-190.
- Abdul Kadir, S. and Jamaludin, M. (2012). Users' Satisfaction and Perception on Accessibility of Public Buildings in Putrajaya: Access Audit Study. *Procedia - Social and Behavioral Sciences*, 50, 429-441.

- Abdul Kadir, S., Jamaludin, M. and Abdul Rahim, A. (2012). Building Managers' Perception in Regards to Accessibility and Universal Design Implementation in Public Buildings: Putrajaya case studies. *Procedia - Social and Behavioral Sciences*, 35, 129-136.
- Jamaludin, M. and Abdul Kadir, S. (2012). Accessibility in Buildings of Tourist Attraction: A case studies comparison. *Procedia - Social and Behavioral Sciences*, 35, 97-104.

Journal Paper

- Abdul Kadir, S., Aris, N.N. and Ginting, N. (2024). Spatial Identity in the Context of Interior and Building Environment. *Asian Journal of Environment-Behaviour Studies*, 9(29), 69-83.
- Aris, N.N., Abdul Kadir, S., Rahman, S. & Hasri, N.H. (2023). A Study of Adaptive Reuse Procedures in a Post-Colonial Kuantan Shophouse. *Malaysian Construction Research Journal*, 20(3), 42-51.
- Kamarudin, H. & Abdul Kadir, S. (2023). Transportation Barriers Confronted by Mobility-Challenged Travellers in Klang Valley. *Planning Malaysia: Journal of the Malaysian Institute of Planners*, 21(2), 240-251.
- Abdul Kadir, S. and Jamaludin, M. (2018). Sustainable Life and Social Development through Universally Designed Environment. *Asian Journal of Environment-Behaviour Studies (ajE-Bs)*, 3(9), 183-192.
- Abdul Kadir, S. and Jamaludin, M. (2018). The Significance of Staff Assistance in Accessibility of Public Buildings. *Asian Journal of Quality of Life (AjQoL)*, 3(9), 175-183.
- Abdul Kadir, S. and Jamaludin, M. (2018). Applicability of Malaysian Standards and Universal Design in Public Buildings in Putrajaya. *Asian Journal of Environment-Behaviour Studies (ajE-Bs)*, 3(6), 29-38.
- Abdul Kadir, S., Jamaludin, M. and Abdul Rahim, A. (2018). Building Managers' Views on Accessibility and UD Implementation in Public Buildings: Putrajaya. *Journal of Asian Behavioural Studies*, 3(6), 1-12.

General Publication

- Abdul Kadir, S. et al (2024). *Gemalai*. Presentation board for AdaptArt Competition (Collaboration with Shangri-La Kuala Lumpur), MIID Students' Saturday 2024, 19 October 2024.
- Abdul Kadir, S. et al (2024). *Titi-Antara*. Presentation board for the International Design Lab & Collaboration (IDL+C), 23 August 2024.
- Abdul Kadir, S. (2022, December). Third Places Revival. *MIID INSIDE Newsletter*, Issue 24, 52-53. <https://miid.org.my/project/miid-inside-newsletter-issue-24-oct-dec-2022/>
- Abdul Kadir, S. (2020, November 24). *Perkongsian Bermanfaat oleh Pustaka Raja Tun Uda Bersama Pelajar Senibina Dalaman UiTM*. <https://news.uitm.edu.my/>
- Jais, N.A.A., Abdul Kadir, S. and Shaharum, N.N. (2020). Proposed Office Interior Design for Studio + Works. Poster Presentation in *International Invention, Innovation & Design Exposition for Built Environment and Engineering 2020 (IIIDBEEEX 2020)*, 11 November 2020.
- Ab Manap, M.A.A., Shaharum, N.N. and Abdul Kadir, S. (2020). Proposed Office Interior Design for Thomas Hucker. Poster Presentation in *International Invention, Innovation & Design Exposition for Built Environment and Engineering 2020 (IIIDBEEEX 2020)*, 11 November 2020.
- Abdul Kadir, S. (2020, October 7). *Pensyarah FSPU UiTM Dalami Bidang Penulisan*. Sinar Harian.
- Abdul Kadir, S. (2020, April 27). *Kerjasama Baik PTAR Kompleks Alam Bina dan Seni Reka (PKABS) dalam Projek Pelajar FSPU Puncak Alam*. <https://news.uitm.edu.my/>
- Abdul Kadir, S. and Subramaniam, G. (2019, December 31). *Hijjas Kasturi's Games of Architecture*. <https://qswownews.com/>
- Abdul Kadir, S. (2019, December 2). *Tokoh Senibina Malaysia Ar. Hijjas Kasturi Berkongsi Kisah Perjalanan Senibina Bersama Warga FSPU UiTM Puncak Alam*. <https://news.uitm.edu.my/>

- Abdul Kadir, S. (2019, April 15). *Pameran 'What If' Projek Pelajar Sarjana Senibina UiTM Unik dan Bertaraf Profesional*. Utusan Malaysia.
- Abdul Kadir, S. (2019, April 2). *'AI Fusion Gallery' dan 'Urban Agriculture Centre' antara yang menarik dalam projek akhir pelajar Senibina Dalaman UiTM*. Utusan Malaysia.
- Abdul Kadir, S. (2019, February 14). *Viralkan Fakulti*. Utusan Malaysia.
- Abdul Kadir, S. (2018). Environmental Psychology for Interior Design. Poster Presentation in *National e-Content Development Competition 2018 (eCONDeV 2018)*, 28 August 2018.
- Abdul Kadir, S. (2017). Social Media as an Interactive Learning Medium for the Millennials. Poster Presentation in *The 6th International Invention Innovation and Design Competition 2017 (INDES 2017)*, 7 November 2017.

Research Grants and Contracts

1. Hikmah Kamarudin (PI), Basharudin Abdul Hadi, Eliyas Sulaiman Mohandas, Rani Diana Othman & Syazwani Abdul Kadir (Member), May 2022 - April 2023, Strengthening Access Audit Practice for Identifying Physical Barrier: Towards an Inclusive Built Environment, LESTARI Grant by IRMI UiTM, RM5000, Member (Completed).
2. Syazwani Abdul Kadir (PI), Mariam Jamaludin & Abd Rahim Awang, July 2018 - December 2020, Accessibility Adaptation in Heritage Boutique Hotels: Malacca Case Studies, LESTARI Grant by IRMI UiTM, RM20000, Principal Investigator (Completed).
3. Mariam Jamaludin (PI) & Syazwani Abdul Kadir, July 2010 - June 2012, Accessibility through Universal Design Approach: Public Buildings in Putrajaya, Excellence Fund by IRMI UiTM, RM5000 (Completed).

Services & Administration

1. Internal Auditor, College of Built Environment, UiTM, Aug 2024 - present
2. Liaison of Communications and Corporate Unit, CBE, 01 May 2018 - present
3. Committee of Final Examination Question Paper, CBE, 01 Mar 2019 - present
4. Committee of MyRA, CBE, 01 Jan 2020 - present
5. Board Member (Position: Assistant Secretary), Association of Malaysian Environment-Behaviour Researchers (AMER), 16 Mar 2022 - April 2024
6. Deputy Coordinator of Communications and Corporate Unit, College of Built Environment (CBE), 01 May 2020 - 2023
7. Committee of PRISMa, CBE, 01 Jan 2019 - 31 Dec 2020
8. Coordinator of Final Examination Question Paper, Studies of Interior Architecture (SoIA), 15 Jun 2019 - present
9. Co-Coordinator of Publication and Website, SoIA, 15 Jun 2019 - present
10. Co-Coordinator of Research and Writing, SoIA, 15 Jun 2019 - 14 Jun 2021
11. Committee of Teaching and Learning, SoIA, 15 Jun 2019 - 14 Jun 2021
12. Committee of Bachelor Degree Curriculum Review, SoIA, 01 Dec 2019 - 31 Dec 2020
13. Committee of Master Program Curriculum, SoIA, 05 Jul 2018 - 06 Jul 2019
14. Accreditation Committee, SoIA, 01 Jan 2019 - 30 Jun 2019
15. Supervisor for Best Western Hotel 'Live Project', 01 Mar 2019 - 30 Jul 2019
16. SoIA Department Secretary, 01 Jun 2016 - 14 Jun 2019

Work and Collaboration Experience

Interior Architecture Lecturer | April 2016 - present

School of Architecture and Interior Architecture, College of Built Environment, UiTM.

A lecturer for Bachelor of Science (Hons.) Interior Architecture program with responsibilities include academic lectures, design studio master, research projects, students' supervision and managerial tasks.

Board Member, Assistant Secretary | March 2022 - Feb 2024

Association of Malaysian Environment-Behaviour Researchers (AMER).

Nomination received during AMER 11th Annual General Meeting held at the Shangri-la Rasa Sayang Penang on 16th Mar 2022, and endorsed during AMER Board Meeting ABM23 held on 06th April 2022.

Member of emAs (AMER Event Management & Services) | May 2015 - March 2016

Association of Malaysian Environment-Behaviour Researchers (AMER).

Provided professional services to cE-Bs with the organisation of the centre's conferences (AcE-Bs, AicE-Bs and AicQoL) such as formatting research papers and editing journals.

Committee Member | Sept 2010 - March 2016

Centre for Environment Behaviour Studies (cE-Bs), FSPU, UiTM Shah Alam, Malaysia.

Organizing committee member for international and national conferences (AicE-Bs 2010 Sarawak, Malaysia; AcE-Bs 2011 Bandung, Indonesia; AicE-Bs 2011 Famagusta, North Cyprus; AcE-Bs 2012 Bangkok, Thailand; AicE-Bs 2012 Cairo, Egypt; AcE-Bs 2013 Hanoi, Vietnam; AicQoL 2013 Langkawi, Malaysia; AicE-Bs 2013 London, UK; AicQoL2016 Medan, Indonesia).

Research Assistant | Oct 2012 - Aug 2013

Centre for Environment Behaviour Studies (cE-Bs),

Faculty of Architecture, Planning and Surveying, UiTM Shah Alam, Malaysia.

Research Assistant for Cul-de-sac Syntax research which was funded by the Fundamental Research Grant Scheme (FRGS); Tasks included literature filing using EndNote and MindMap, conducting site observation and self-administered surveys to the residents of 18 cul-de-sac neighbourhoods in Shah Alam, Malaysia.

Postgraduate Service Scheme (Research Assistant) | Jan 2011 - Aug 2012

Faculty of Architecture, Planning and Surveying, UiTM Shah Alam, Malaysia.

Conducted site observation and access audit for 5 public buildings in Putrajaya, Malaysia; produced research papers and presented in international and national conferences (which were published in Indexed Publications).

Interior Design Intern | Jan 2009 - May 2009

Designers Studio, 478 Commerce Dr, Madison, WI 53719, United States.

Assisted professional designers in various design projects, produced manual and AutoCAD drawings, updated and maintained resource library, contacted and met with vendors, and consulted with clients.

Publication Researcher | Aug 2007 - Dec 2009

Wisconsin Tech Search, 215 N. Randal Ave, Madison, WI 53706, United States.

Searched and provided academic resources for diverse range of clientele in the USA including law firms, science and research companies, university students and engineering firms.

Awards & Recognitions

1. **First Place Winner - AdaptArt Competition (Collaboration with Shangri-La Kuala Lumpur)** in MIID Students' Saturday 2024, organized by Malaysian Institute of Interior Designers (MIID) and Taylor's University, 19 October 2024.
2. **Best Modular Bamboo Sculpture Award** in the International Design Lab & Collaboration (IDL+C) 2024, a collaborative design competition organized by UiTM and Himpunan Desainer Interior Indonesia (HDII).
3. **Best Paper Award (2nd Runners Up)** for the research paper presented at the 11th AMER International Conference on Quality of Life, Bangkok, Thailand, 28-30 Apr 2023.
4. **Best Paper Award (Top 8)** for the research paper presented at the 10th Asia-Pacific International Conference on Environment-Behaviour Studies, Kota Kinabalu, Sabah, Malaysia, 07-08 Sep 2022.
5. **GOLD Award** - International Furniture Design and Innovation (INFURDES), 21 October 2021. Poster Competition, Title: *Seni Tempayan Melestarikan Adab Santun Melayu*. Team members: Syazwani Abdul Kadir & Nurul Nabilah Aris-White.
6. **Top 10 Finalist** - Mobili Kersani 2021, International Furniture Design Competition, 21 October 2021. Design title: TITI. Team members: Syazwani Abdul Kadir & Lailatul Qadrina Mahamad Zahari. <https://mobilikersani.rekahub.com/2021/shortlisted-top-10/>
7. **Third Prize** - MIFF Furniture Design Competition 2021. Organized by Malaysian International Furniture Fair (MIFF). Design title: ALIVE. Role: Design mentor to Muhamad Irfan Mohamad Anuar.
8. **Finalist** - MIFF Furniture Design Competition 2021. Organized by Malaysian International Furniture Fair (MIFF). Design title: SITTA. Role: Design mentor to Lailatul Qadrina Mahamad Zahari.
9. **The Best Paper Award** for the research paper presented at the AMER International Conference on Quality of Life 2019, Bali, Indonesia.
10. **Winner** - Majlis Anugerah Tangan Emas Perdana Menteri 2018, Malaysia. WorldSkills Malaysia Belia (WSMB) 2018, Visual Merchandising Category. Role: Design mentor to Aida Yasmin Azman.
11. **Best Paper - Special Mentioned Award** for the research paper presented at the AMER International Conference on Quality of Life 2013, Langkawi, Malaysia.
12. **Presented research papers** in several international and national conferences - all of which were published in Indexed Publications.
13. **Dean's High Honor** for one semester and **Dean's Honor** for four semesters during an undergraduate study at the School of Design Studies, University of Wisconsin - Madison, United States.
14. **Honorable Mention Award in Design 2008**, a juried design exhibition, University of Wisconsin - Madison.
15. **Acceptance in Design 2009 and Flux 2009**, a juried fashion and textile design exhibition, University of Wisconsin - Madison.

Other Activities

1. **MIID Students' Saturday 2024**
Role: Design Mentor in AdaptArt Competition (Collaboration with Shangri-La Kuala Lumpur) in MIID Students' Saturday 2024, organized by Malaysian Institute of Interior Designers (MIID) and Taylor's University, 19 October 2024.

2. **International Design Lab and Competition (IDL+C) Vol. 2 - PERTEMUAN 2024**
Role: Design Mentor in Modular Bamboo Sculpture Design Competition, in collaboration with Himpunan Desainer Interior Indonesia (HDII) Jakarta, 05 - 24 August 2024.
3. **AicQoL2023 Bangkok, Thailand**
Presented research paper at the 11th AMER International Conference on Quality of Life, Bangkok, Thailand, 28-30 Apr 2023.
4. **Kuala Lumpur Design Festival 2022 (KLDF 2022)**
Moderator for print-making workshop, 'Waste to Matrix', 17-18 December 2022.
5. **PALAM FEST 2022 (College of Built Environment Festival, UiTM Puncak Alam)**
Curated an exhibition for Architecture, Interior Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Town Planning best students' works, a part of the PALAM Fest 2022 event, 24-26 November 2022.
6. **AicE-Bs2022 Kota Kinabalu, Malaysia**
Presented research paper at the 10th Asia-Pacific International Conference on Environment-Behaviour Studies, The Magellan Sutera Resort, Kota Kinabalu, Sabah, Malaysia, 07-08 September 2022.
7. **AicQoL 2022 Penang, Malaysia**
Presented research paper at the 10th AMER International Conference on Quality of Life, Shangri-la Rasa Sayang, Malaysia, 16-17 March 2022.
8. **International Furniture Design and Innovation (INFURDES)**, 21 October 2021. Poster Competition, Title: *Seni Tempayan Melestarikan Adab Santun Melayu*. Team members: Syazwani Abdul Kadir & Nurul Nabilah Aris-White.
9. **Mobili Kersani 2021, International Furniture Design Competition**, 21 October 2021. Design title: TITI. Team members: Syazwani Abdul Kadir & Lailatul Qadrina Mahamad Zahari.
10. **International Design Lab and Competition (IDL+C) 2021 - TITIK TEMU**, 06 - 27 September 2021. Role: Design Mentor with Atridia Wilastrina (Universitas Trisakti, Indonesia) to Amerul Haikal Haladin, Aiman Zamri, Cheryl Hasanah Riza & Frensa Kurniawan.
11. **MIFF Furniture Design Competition 2021. Organized by Malaysian International Furniture Fair (MIFF)**. Role: Design Mentor to Muhamad Irfan Mohamad Anuar (Third Prize), Lailatul Qadrina Mahamad Zahari (Finalist) & other students from the CSIA.
12. **AIVCE-BS-1 2020 Shah Alam, Malaysia**
Participated in AMERABRA International Virtual Conference on Environment-Behaviour Studies, 1st Series, 24-25 June 2020.
13. **AicQoL 2020 Malacca, Malaysia**
Presented research papers at the 8th AMER International Conference on Quality of Life, Due to Covid-19 Lockdown, the conference was held virtually on 25 March 2020.
14. **AicQoL 2019 Bali, Indonesia**
Presented research paper at the 7th AMER International Conference on Quality of Life, Wina Holiday Villa, Kuta, Bali, Indonesia 16-17 Feb. 2019.
15. **MIID REKA Conference, Ideation X**
Participated in Malaysian Institute of Interior Designers (MIID) REKA Conference 2018, Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre, 3 Nov. 2018.
16. **AicE-Bs 2013 London, UK**
Organised and co-emcee for Asia Pacific International Conference on Environment-Behaviour Studies, University of Westminster, London, UK, 4-6 September 2013.

17. **AicQoL 2013 Langkawi, Malaysia**
Organised and presented research paper at the AMER (ABRA Malaysia) International Conference on Quality of Life, Langkawi, April 2013.
18. **AcE-Bs 2013 Hanoi, Vietnam**
Organised and presented research paper at the ASEAN Conference on Environment-Behaviour Studies, Hanoi Architectural University, Hanoi, Vietnam, 18-21 March 2013.
19. **AcE-Bs 2012 Bangkok, Thailand**
Organised and presented research paper at the ASEAN Conference on Environment-Behaviour Studies, Siam City Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand, 16-18 July 2012.
20. **AicE-Bs 2011 Famagusta, North Cyprus**
Organised and presented research papers at the Asia Pacific International Conference on Environment-Behaviour Studies, Salamis Bay Conti Resort Hotel, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 7-9 December 2011.
21. **AcE-Bs 2011 Bandung, Indonesia**
Organised and presented research paper at the ASEAN Conference on Environment-Behaviour Studies (AcE-Bs), Savoy Homann Bidakara Hotel, 15-17 June 2011.