Taylor Myers

My desire to pursue architecture stems from a lifelong passion for creativity and problem-solving. From a young age, I was captivated by how individual elements could come together to form something greater, whether through playing with blocks or sketching designs. As I've matured, this creative outlet has evolved into a deep fascination with the ways architecture shapes the spaces we inhabit and how those spaces, in turn, influence our lives.

Architecture is unique in that it blends artistic expression with practical function, offering a way to create meaningful, sustainable environments. I am drawn to the challenge of designing spaces that not only meet human needs but also respect and enhance the natural world. For me, architecture is a means to bring vision and purpose together-creating designs that are not only visually striking but also thoughtful and responsible.



Through my studies and future career, I aim to contribute to a field that continuously pushes boundaries and reimagines how we interact with the world around us. I plan to achieve my goals of expression by traveling the world, obtaining my master's degree, and ultimately designing innovative, sustainable spaces that inspire and improve the way we live.



Squandering away sticky summers colouring atop an old drafting table. Writing and illustrating my own made-up stories during recess. Leading my robotics team into battle at competitions and excitedly educating others about STEAM through community outreach events. Who are we if not made up of thousands of narratives such as these, each woven together to create our sense of selves and how we see the world?

My name is Finley Booth and my stories are why I pursue architecture: to fuel my creative imagination and continue to share my passion for STEAM with the community surrounding me. I am a zealous student leader whose activities help foster a creative and inclusive learning environment for all at the School of Architecture and Community Development. On behalf of the Dean, I am a Student Ambassador and represent the school at alumni and community outreach events.

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Additionally, I enjoyed engaging students in class material and presenting my own lectures on architecture as an art history teaching assistant this past semester. I am eager to travel to Volterra, Italy as part of University of the Detroit Mercy's exchange program to continue architectural studies. Colour captivates me; its energy and variety can completely transform spaces as we know them. Particularly, I am interested in learning more about the movement of colour through light and reflective materials as part of a graduate thesis, which is a study I plan to begin while in Volterra through photography. During my graduate studies, it is also my goal to become a published author through my research. In the professional world, I wish to pursue largescale urban design projects before returning to academics as an educator. Beyond traditional pursuits, I intend to use skills gained from architecture to mentor an aforementioned FIRST robotics team. Teaching students modeling software and developing their building processes in the workshop is important to me when I become a professional.