



Downlands Community School Alumni

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Since leaving Downlands Community School, I attended Varndean College for as/a levels. I later attended Northbrook College to do an art foundation course because I was still unsure about my future career options. In autumn 2010 I enrolled at Kingston University to later achieve a 2.1 with honours bachelor's degree in Architecture. My first job leaving university was in Esher Surrey for Crane Associates (for approx. 5 months) and have recently moved to Cambridge for an 18 month contract with Bland, Brown and Cole LLP before I plan to do my Part 2 Post Graduate Diploma.

My advice for my 16 year old self would be to always follow what you believe in and/or love whatever it may be, keep working hard to achieve the best possible outcome for the rest of your career and most importantly, don't let others stop you or put you down from achieving your dreams.

My current job position is a RIBA Part 1 Architect in Cambridge. My aims and aspirations for the future would be to eventually become fully qualified, become a partner of my own practice and/or collaborate with a well-known role model and finally, to keep enjoying what I currently love every minute of.

Thank you very much for this opportunity to get involved and if you have any questions please feel free to contact me.



Archie Watson (class of 2008)



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