

# ALARA SALIH

## PART 1 GRADUATE

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## EDUCATION

### University of Hertfordshire

Hertfordshire, UK

Ba Hons Architecture

Sept 2023 - May 2026

*Predicted Final Grade : First Class*

### Chancellor's School

Brookmans Park, Hertfordshire, UK

Sept 2016 - Jun 2023

A-Levels Grades:

Fine Art [B], Business [C], Mathematics [D]

GCSE Grades:

All grades 8-6 including: Maths [7], English Language [8], Fine Art [8], Science (combined double) [66]

## HOBBIES & INTERESTS

**Languages:**

English (Native), Turkish (Self-taught - Beginner), Italian (School taught - GCSE grade 6).

**Sports:**

Swimming Certification accredited by Swim England skills and STA distance awards

**Music :**

Grade 6 Violin (Passed with Merit for every Grade), Grade 5 Music Theory (Passed with Distinction)

## MEDIA LINKS

**Social Media**

**Website**



## REFERENCES

*To be provided upon request.*

## SUMMARY

A Part 1 Architecture student finalising my third year in University with a design-led approach centred on context and materiality. Skilled in communicating ideas through clear diagrams and visualisations, with the ability to translate conceptual thinking into resolved architectural proposals. Experience across both architectural practice and construction has developed a strong understanding of detailing, coordination, and the relationship between design intent and built form. I am particularly interested in heritage-led and sustainable design, exploring how thoughtful, crafted interventions can extend the life of buildings and create meaningful, context-responsive Architecture.

## EXPERIENCE

February 2026

**Architectural Intern /**

SPPARC Architects | Central London, UK

- Reviewed completed projects and participated in site visits to understand practice workflows, contributing to a fire safety enhancement exploring the integration of fire-rated glazing systems within an existing scheme
- Advancing 3D modelling skills through learning new 3D software plug-in grasshopper along with improving abilities in using rendering software's Lumion and Enscape.
- Practical exposure to managing real client deadlines, significantly enhancing time management and ability to work under pressure, learning how to delegate tasks efficiently within a short time period
- Opportunity to practice presentation skills and key advice on how to pitch to clients efficiently

August 2025

**Technical Intern /**

Berkeley Homes | Watford, Hertfordshire, UK

- Attended technical and coordination meetings, gaining insight into collaboration between consultants, contractors and design teams
- Undertook site experience alongside façade and technical managers, developing understanding of masonry supports, cavity walls, drainage, insulation, balconies and cladding systems
- Analysed EE, ME and SFS drawings, comparing them with built apartments and marketing material, understanding how technical information translates into construction
- Gained exposure to specialist areas including fire safety, structural detailing, wall build-ups and sustainability through participation in a project audit

April 2024 - August 2025

**Front-of-House Receptionist /**

Enhance Skin London | Holborn, London, UK

- Manage an average of up to 50 client bookings and enquiries per week using the in-house scheduling system.
- Greet and assist 10-20 clients daily, achieving a 4.9/5 satisfaction rating in post-visit surveys.
- Oversee reception upkeep, filing, stock control and visual displays, to uphold a professional front-of-house environment.

July 2022

**Architectural Assistant /**

Tate & Company Architects LLP | Dalston, London, UK

- Collaborating with colleagues to produce a detailed hand-made physical site model for a current project using sustainable materials.
- Actively participated in client meetings, gaining valuable insights into project requirements and client expectations.

## SKILLS

Autocad



Rhino



Sketchup



Revit



Adobe Photoshop



Adobe Illustrator



Adobe InDesign



Lumion

