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Emeritus Development

- Emeritus Development is a small architecture firm located in Nantucket, MA
- The company does residential design, commercial design, and pocket developments
- Emeritus deals with the individual needs of homebuilders and owners
Work Environment

- There are two full-time architects, Matthew and John, who work in the office.
- Emeritus Development has a comfortable, relaxed working atmosphere.
- Matthew, John, and I each had our own workstations.
- There is a conference room that was used for meetings with clients and HDC board members.
- Home builders and owners were frequently in the office to go over plans with Matthew.

My Work Schedule
- Monday - Friday
- Worked anywhere from 4 - 8 hours per day.
My Assignments

- Once I learned AutoCAD I was able to take part in many company projects
- I was sent to several sites to take field measurements
- I spent the majority of my time working on AutoCAD drafting floor plans, interior/exterior elevations, sections, and trim details for various projects
- I put together bid set drawings for general contractors
- I created plumbing schedules, finish schedules, and door/window schedules
- I spent three weeks drawing interior elevations for a hotel, which was a major project for Emeritus
Interior Elevations
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Elevations and Floor Plan
What I Learned

- I learned how to use AutoCAD and SketchUp.
- Throughout the internship I was able to hone my drafting skills.
- I became much more knowledgeable of the building process, as well as the Historic District Commission process.
- I learned about project development and how to work with a team of architects.
- I also learned about the various departments architects deal with and the permits architects need before their plans can be given to the general contractor.
- An important aspect of the internship was understanding what Historic District Commission requires and how involved Emeritus is with HDC.
Why I Would Recommend Emeritus

- I would strongly recommend interning at Emeritus Development. I enjoyed working here because I am very interested in Nantucket-style architecture. Matt and John were very busy throughout the course of the summer and they allowed me to contribute to many projects. My responsibilities in the office rapidly grew from the start of the summer, which forced me to push myself and learn at a fast rate.
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