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Richie is a PhD scholar at NUS Architecture, where he also teaches part-time. His research interests include places and experiences of solitude, urban atmospheres and affect, and ageing and wellbeing in the built environment. He is supervised by Dr. Zdravko Trivic. Richie is also a student researcher at the Centre for Environment and Ageing Well (ENgAGE).

Prior to his PhD, Richie held teaching appointments at the Singapore Institute of Technology (2024–2025), where he taught interdisciplinary design innovation with a focus on critical, design, and futures thinking; and at the American University of Yangon (2017–2020), where he taught art history, modern architecture, and interdisciplinary modules in social sciences and public communication. In 2024, Richie also served as a portfolio mentor with the Design Business Chamber Singapore.

Before returning to academia, Richie spent over a decade working in architectural and design practice, media, and publishing across Singapore, Myanmar, and Thailand. He has worked at Super Assembly Architects, where his residential work—specifically Cavern House—has received the Singapore Good Design Award (2025) and was featured on CNA Luxury, ArchDaily, and Dwell in 2024. He has also worked at JGP Architecture, contributing to projects including Chai Chee Nursing Home and a handbook on nursing home design guidelines. His broader regional industry experience includes roles as a creative director, editor, and designer across publishing and branding in regional media group organisations. Recent works include *Making Space: 40 Years of People, Practice, Possibility* (2025), a book commemorating JGP Architecture's 40th anniversary, as well as an interactive installation for *Re-Route: Orchard* (2024), a key festival event of Singapore Design Week. He is also a Director of WOWCARDSTUDIO, a multidisciplinary creative practice based in Singapore and Yangon.

Richie holds a Master of Architecture and a Bachelor of Arts in Architecture with First Class Honours from NUS, and a Diploma (Merit) in Business Information Technology from Ngee Ann Polytechnic. He is also a certified User Experience (UX) researcher and designer.