



Honored by peers as the dean of American campus planning, a Senior Consultant at DOBER LIDSKY MATHEY, Richard P. Dober, has served as a planning and design advisor to over 450 colleges, schools, universities, cultural, and scientific institutions, foundations, and government agencies worldwide.

In the United States his client list is as diverse as higher education itself, and includes seven Ivy League universities, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Stanford University, forty of the fifty top-rated liberal arts colleges, the United States Coast Guard Academy, a significant number of Historically Black Colleges and Universities, and other public and independent institutions in thirty-nine states. Overseas, he has prepared campus and facility plans for new and expanding universities in Africa, Canada, Central America, Mexico, Malaysia, Micronesia, the Middle East, South Korea, Turkey, and Spain. After the Cultural Revolution, the People's Republic of China commissioned him to conduct workshops and training sessions on campus development and to advise on expansion plans for universities in Beijing and Shanghai. He returned in 2003 to conduct additional workshops for fifteen additional campuses.

Dober has applied methodology used in campus planning to a wide range of commissions other than those in higher education. These consulting assignments have included: the Art Institute of Chicago; Chapin School, New York; Hockaday School, Texas; Illinois State Capital Area; Massachusetts General Hospital; Old Sturbridge Village, Massachusetts; Middlesex School, Massachusetts; Mille Lacs Indian Reservation, Minnesota; Phillips Exeter Academy, New Hampshire; Rhode Island Hospital; Saint Bede's Abbey and School, Illinois; Sylvester Cancer Treatment and Research Center, University of Miami Medical School; Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial and Center, Atlanta, Georgia; Minnesota History

Center; St. Paul Seminary, Minnesota; Wenner-Gren Anthropology Institute, Vienna, Austria; and Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute, Massachusetts.

A founder of the Society for College and University Planning, Dober has held academic and research appointments at Harvard University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, as well as lecturing at numerous other institutions and professional societies.

He has served as grants review consultant to a number of foundations supporting higher education. He is an active member of UNESCO's Committee on Museum Architecture and Technology, for whom he devised a land and space planning taxonomy and facility planning process, an adaptation of his campus development methods.

Dober was born and raised in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He received his undergraduate degree (B. A., Honors in Design) from Brooklyn College, where his teachers included Ad Reinhart, Mark Rothko, and Stamos Papydecki, a colleague of Le Corbusier. After service in the United States Army during the Korean War, he completed his professional training at the Harvard University Graduate School of Design, and was awarded the University's Frederick C. Sheldon Traveling Fellowship. His six books *Campus Planning*, *Campus Design*, *Campus Architecture*, *Campus Landscape*, *Campus Heritage*, and *Old Main* are considered benchmark references. In addition he has edited forty-one books on planning and community design, and written numerous journal articles and reviews. Brooklyn College presented him with its Distinguished Alumni medal in 1992.

EDUCATION

Harvard University
Frederick C. Sheldon Fellow, 1958

Harvard University
Graduate School of Design
Master of City Planning, 1957

United States Army, 1953 -1955

Brooklyn College, B. A. Design
(Honors), 1953

Tredyffrin-Easttown High School
Berwyn, Pennsylvania, Graduate

St. Stephen's School
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Diploma

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

SENIOR CONSULTANT,
Dober Lidsky Mathey, 1988 to present

PRESIDENT,
Dober and Associates, Inc., 1962-1988

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,
Sasaki and Associates, 1958-1962

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, Cambridge,
Massachusetts Planning Board, 1957-1958

PLANNER, James L. Harris, Architects,
and Planners, 1955-1956

AWARDS

Who's Who, 2001
Society for Colleges and University Planning (SCUP):
Founder's Award for Distinguished Achievement and Exceptional Contributions to Higher Education Planning, 1992

Distinguished Alumnus Award Brooklyn College, 1992

First Prize, Council for Advancement and Support of Education, 1983
(Brown University Campus Plan Studies)
National Foundation for Arts, Grant, 1972

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

FACULTY,
Institute of Educational Management,
Harvard Graduate School of Education,
1991–1992

VISITING CRITIC,
Beijing University, 1985
Aga Khan Program, MIT, 1980
College of Design, Iowa State University, 1979
School of Fine Arts, University of Illinois, 1974
Graduate School of Design, Harvard University,
1963–1965

LECTURER,
Graduate Program Urban Design, MIT,
1972

VICE PRESIDENT,
Boston Architectural Center,
1969–1972

TEACHING ASSISTANT,
Graduate School of Design, Harvard University,
1957

Design Department,
Brooklyn College,
1953

RESEARCH STAFF,
Form of the City Project, MIT,
1956

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

American Institute of Certified Planners
Society for College and University Planning (SCUP),
Founding Member and Board of Directors, 1969–1972

The Renaissance Society of America, Charter Member

Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture,
Member

International Council on Museums, Member

Shady Hill School, Cambridge, Massachusetts,
Overseer, 1964–1974

Education Research Information Clearinghouse Advi-
sory Board, 1965–1974

Design Jury, U. S. Office of Education, 1966

Design Jury, Progressive Architecture Magazine Annual
Awards, 1967

Canadian Arts Council, Consultant, 1972

National Science Foundation, Program Reviewer,
1972–1978

Harvard University, GSD,
Loeb Library Council, 1984 – present

ICOM/Architecture, Museography and Technology
Committee, Chair: Museum Space Planning Study
Group, 1992–present

Board Member
Friends of the Longfellow House, 1997–2005

Design Jury
Boston Society of Architects, 2006

LECTURES & PAPERS

American Association of Museums, 1992

American Council on Education, 1981

American Institute of Architects, 2000

American Library Association, 1986

Antioch College, 1971

Arizona State University, 1989

Association of College and University Boards, 1972

Athabasca University, 1992

Auburn University, 1979

Beijing University, 1985

Boston Architectural Center, 1968, 1972, 1974, 1975, 1978

Boston College, 1969

Boston Society of Architects, 2001, 2002, 2004, 2005

Brooklyn College, 1968

Brown University Commencement, 1986

Carleton College, 1974

Chengdu University of Technology, PRC, 2002

College of St. Thomas, 1982

Columbia University, 1971

Cranbrook Academy, 1970, 1983

Fudan University, PRC, 1985

Georgia Institute of Technology, 1965

Harvard University, 1959, 1960, 1961, 1963, 1966, 1968, 1970, 1980, 1986, 1990, 1991, 1992, 2002

Hofstra University, 1963

ICOM/UNESCO/AMT,

Buenos Aires, Argentina, 1986

Budapest, Hungary, 1988

The Hague, Netherlands, 1989

Helsinki, Finland, 1991

Quebec, Canada, 1992

Istanbul, Turkey, 1994

Copenhagen, Denmark, 1996

Melbourne, Australia, 1998

Rotterdam, Netherlands, 2007

Macalester College, 1985

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1978, 1980, 1986, 1992, 1995, 1997, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006

Nanjing University, 2002

National Association of Environmental Professionals, 1998

New School for Social Research, 1998

Oklahoma State University, 1985

Pomona College, 1979

Radcliffe College, 1970

Radcliffe Institute, 2001

Ryerson Polytechnic Institute, 1972

Society of Architectural Historians, 2006

SCUP National Conference, 1965, 1967, 1971, 1979, 1987, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1994, 1998, 2000, 2005, 2008

Seoul National University, 1971, 1972

Shanghai Institute of Technology, 1985

Smith College Alumni Meeting, 1987

Sussex University, England, 1962

Texas Technological University, 1990

Tsinghua University, PRC, 1985

Tufts University, 1987, 2207, 2008

University of Alabama, Medical Center, 1969

University of Colorado, 1961, 1962

University of East Anglia, 1987

University of Idaho, 1970

University of Illinois, 1966, 1968, 1974

University of Lleida, 2000

University of Michigan, 1967

University of Minnesota, 2002

University of New Mexico, 1975, 1988

University of Pennsylvania, 1967

University of Wisconsin/Madison, 1975, 1976

Valparaiso University, 1980

Wake Forest University, 1972

Wayne State University, 1970

Webster University, 1990

Wellesley College, 1999

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The Three Thousand Decisions (illustrated);
Planning for Higher Education; January-March 2008

Book Review: American Places; The Review of Higher
Education; Winter, 2008

Heritage, Beauty, and Campus Design; Conversations
on Jesuit Higher Education; Spring 2008

The Project Prospectus; College Planning and
Management; April 2006

Old Main: Fame, Fate and Contributions to Campus Planning and Design

114 pages, (illustrated),
SCUP, Fall 2006

Campus Heritage

102 pages, (illustrated),
SCUP, 2005

Campus Landscape

296 pages, (illustrated),
John Wiley & Sons, Inc.,
New York, 2000

"Confessions of a Campus Planner," *Planning for Higher
Education*, Fall 1997

"Using the Campus for Environmental Education,"
*Journal - National Association of Environmental
Professionals*, Winter 1997

Campus Architecture

298 Pages, illustrated,
McGraw-Hill Inc.
New York, 1996

"About Campus Laws," *Planning for Higher Education*,
Summer 1992

"The Facility Program:
Linking Reality to Vision,"

The Source Book,
American Association of Museums, 1992

Campus Design

289 pages, illustrated,
John Wiley and Sons, Inc.,
New York, 1992

"Another View of Museums," *Bulletin of the International
Committee of Museums*, Vol 44,
No. 3, 1991

"Preparing the Brief": *Manual of Museum Planning*,
Barry and Gail Dexter Lord, Editors, London,
Her Majesty's Stationery Office, 1991

"Campus Design as Cultural Image" *Proceedings: Third
International Conference on Built Form and Cultural
Research*, Arizona State University, 1989

"An Endowment of Styles," *Landscape Architecture*,
December 1989

"Campuses as Landscape," *National Trust for Historic
Preservation*, Washington, D.C., 1989

"Campus Planning," *Encyclopedia of American
Architecture*, New York: John Wiley and Sons, 1988

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Education*, Society for College and University Planning,
February 1986

Review: "Campus, An American Planning Tradition,"
Journal of Society of Architectural Historians,
March 1986

"How Campus Planning Can Aid Development,"
Handbook for Educational Fund Raising, Francis C. Pray,
Editor. San Francisco: Jossey-Bass, 1981

"Institutional Planning," *Proceedings of the Aga Khan
Program for Islamic Architecture*;
MIT, Cambridge, MA, 1980

Campus in Transition

76 pages, illustrated with George Grier and Cyril
Sargent, Educational Facilities Laboratories Inc.,
April 1975

"Cambridge Places," *Landscape Architecture*,
January 1975

"Generous, Compendious and Missing the Point,"
Landscape Architecture, October 1974

"Architecture Recycled," *The Boston Architectural
Center Journal*, Fall 1974

"Building Problems: What are they? How can you solve
them?," *College Management*, June/July 1973

"The Master Plan for The University of Seoul,"
Asia Foundation Quarterly, Winter 1972

Campus and Community, McGraw-Hill Sound Seminars/
Urban Development, August 1971

"Viewpoint," *Designers West*, May 1971

"The New Men," *Design and Environment*,
Vol. I, Number 1, Spring 1970

"The Cornell Campus," *Progressive Architecture*,
February 1970

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Quarterly*, Vol. IV, Number 1, January 1970

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Japanese Language Edition, 1976

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"The Physical Environment" Selected Papers, Second Annual Conference, Society For College and University Planning, Ann Arbor: University of Michigan, 1967

"Planning the Urban College Union for a Commuter Campus" Proceedings Annual Meeting, Association of College Unions International, New York, 1967

"Campus Planning in the United States" Technical Paper Number Two, Architectural Association of London, 1966

"Planning For Institutions of Higher Learning," Proceedings, Annual Meeting, New York Regional Plan Association, 1965

"Design and Higher Education" Proceedings, Annual Meeting of College and University Presidents, Department of Education, State of New York, Albany, 1965

"Row Housing and Community Development," *Progressive Architecture*, September 1965, Special Issue Editor and Consultant

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"The Three Thousand Decisions," *Historic Preservation*, Vol. 14, Number 4, 1962

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"Some Reflections on the Architecture of Leisure," *Progressive Architecture*, July 1962

"The Care and Feeding of Automobiles," *Progressive Architecture*, March 1962

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"Earth Sculpture: Some Comments on the Historical Spectrum," *Landscape Architecture*, January 1962

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Critical reviews and commentary on American architecture as American correspondent for Building, London, England, 1975 to date. Indexed: Library holdings/Royal Institute of British Architects.

Editor-in-Chief, *Community Development Series* (1976-1985); a series of over 40 titles including technical and reference books for the planning and design professions, published by Hutchinson and Ross, Inc. and distributed by John Wiley and Sons, International; McGraw-Hill; and Van Nostrand Reinhold.

SPONSORED STUDY TOURS

- 1991 New campuses: France
- 1990 Research: Cambridge/Liverpool/Manchester
- 1989 Research: Oxford University
- 1988 Museums, universities, research facilities: Austria & Hungary
- 1986 Museums & research facilities: Argentina
- 1986 Museums: Union Soviet Socialist Republics
- 1985 Ocean research facilities: United Kingdom
- 1985 University development: Peoples Republic of China
- 1982 University development: Malaysia, Singapore, Hong Kong
- 1981 University development: Brazil
- 1980 University development Islamic institutions: Middle East & North Africa
- 1976 New town and universities: Metropolitan Paris
- 1975 Institutions of Higher Education: West Africa
- 1974 New university development: West Germany, Netherlands, France
- 1971 University development: South Korea & Japan
- 1970 University development: Scandinavia & Russia
- 1969 Four new campuses: Great Britain
- 1967 New campus development: United States & Canada
- 1965 Regional urbanization & university development: Six Central American Countries
- 1964 New university development: Great Britain
- 1962 Campus development trends: 30 U.S. Colleges & Universities
- 1958 College & community development: Scandinavia, West Germany, Belgium, Holland, France, Italy, Austria, & Great Britain