Career Spotlight: Kelly Reed
HITT Contracting | Project Engineer

I have always been fascinated by building, ever since I chose Legos over Barbies growing up. It is why I pursued an education in Architecture and Civil Engineering at The Catholic University of America. At the time, a career in commercial real estate was not on my radar. An eye-opening internship lead me to CREW and the understanding that building design and construction are the pillars of commercial real estate. The CREW Network Foundation allowed me to deepen my interest in this field by awarding me one of their scholarships in 2018. From the connections that I made being a part of the CREWDC Chapter, and the knowledge of the industry I gained at their annual convention, I graduated to pursue a career in construction management. It was with one of those connections, that I found my home at HITT Contracting, as a Project Engineer. As a Project Engineer the construction site is my office. I am often asked what a typical day on a construction site is like. I find myself pausing to think, how can I answer this question when the only thing typical about my day is the early time that I start? Every day there’s a new challenge, new learning opportunity, or new problem to solve and that is why I love the field I am in. Each day I get to work with a wider variety of people from subcontractors, to designers and developers. It is from these people that I continue to learn about the field, and it is with these people that I foster lasting professional relationships. A combination of ambition, a love of building, and humbling opportunities, I am proud my experiences have brought me to a career in commercial real estate and construction management.

There are many ways to explore careers and research specific requirements for the position in which you are applying. If you would like information on how to identify a professional in a specific area of expertise, consult your career counselor, advisor or professional. For additional information, email Debbie@careersbuildingcommunities.org