PROJECT 1

The HOSTEL Experience

Thailand is known for being the hub for ASEAN and one of the region’s top tourist destinations. Tourists from all over the world travel to Thailand not only to visit popular tourist attractions but to also experience authentic Thai living and culture.

Today, travelers are offered a wide range of accommodation options. A new wave of design hostels is rising in popularity as a trendy and affordable hospitality alternative to conventional hotels. Unlike a typical hotel, a hostel can be a place where travelers can relax and at the same time offer a memorable and deeper community experience with the surrounding area.

Scope:

In Project I, students will be requested to design an architecture in the heart of Bangkok – in Ari area - and use the constraint of being surrounded by transportation hub and tourism spots to design a multi-residential (hostel) building. Since this project is located in the city, students shall concern about local law and regulations as well as coordination of existing context. This proposed multi-residential building does not need to concern about construction budget or sales and marketing issues but constructed building scale from inside to outside and from architecture to context.

Program:

Students will be asked to explore multiple functions and activities of the multi-residential hostel building and establish some design relationship between them and building scale under the area requirement of not over 600 sq. m.

Requirements --

- Reception space 1 unit
- Small commercial space (e.g. coffee shop) 1 unit
- Single Bedroom 2 units
- 4-Bedroom 1 unit
- 6-Bedroom 1 unit
- Shared Bathroom 2 units
- Common shared space 1 unit
- Guest laundry & locker room 1 unit
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Objective:

- Understanding and learning space design and planning of multi-residential building.
- Understanding and practicing site study as well as site analysis as architectural design’s concern.
- Studying and applying building law and regulations in the design process.
- Understanding and applying design in coordination of building and context.

Site:

The site is located in Ari district, a new hippest/trendiest neighborhood in Bangkok. Connecting the wide-ranged transportation nodes, Ari area is currently rising as a new transportation hub district, attracting more activities and diverse users and travelers into the area.

- Guest shared pantry 1 unit
- Back of House (Laundry, Inventory Stock, MDB x 1 unit each)
- Parking 6 units
Schedule:

Week # 1:  Mon, 7/Jan/2019  
Course introduction  
Assignment I: Vertical Project  
Thu, 10/Jan/2019  
Assignment I (Cont.)

Week # 2:  Mon, 14/Jan/2019  
Assignment I (Cont.)  
Thu, 17/Jan/2019  
Project I introduction. Dividing groups.

Week # 3:  Mon, 21/Jan/2019  
Desk critiques  
Thu, 24/Jan/2019  
Desk critiques

Week # 4:  Mon, 28/Jan/2019  
Studio Lecture I
Desk critiques

Thu, 31/Jan/2019
Desk critiques

Week # 5:  Mon, 4/Feb/2019
Studio Lecture II
Desk critiques
Thu, 7/Feb/2019
***Project I Mid-Review***

Week # 6:  Mon, 11/Feb/2019
Studio Lecture III
Thu, 14/Feb/2018
Desk critiques

Week # 7:  Mon, 18/Feb/2019
Desk critiques
Thu, 21/Feb/2019
Desk critiques

Week # 8:  Mon, 25/Feb/2019
Design development (Production)
Thu, 28/Feb/2019
***Project I Final Presentation***

Requirements:

1. Final model (scale: TBA)
2. Drawings (scale: TBA)
   a. Layout plan
   b. Floor plans
   c. Sections
   d. Elevations
   e. Perspectives
3. Study models and diagrams (site analysis, functional diagrams, etc.)

Score: Project 1 (Desk critic 10/Presentation 30) 40% of the total grade

Evaluation:
1. Design concept and aesthetics
2. Functionality
3. Architectural space development
4. Architectural drawings and graphic presentation
5. Craftsmanship (neatness and cleanliness)
6. Punctuality of time