

# Kyle Skar

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## Education

Master Of Architecture (MArch),  
**University of Michigan-Ann Arbor**  
Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning:  
Class of 2010, GPA: 3.6

Bachelor of Science in Architecture (BS),  
**University of Minnesota-Twin Cities**  
College of Design Class of 2008, Major GPA: 3.83  
Dean's list: Spring 2006-Spring 2008

**Related Course Work:** Professional Practice, Site Planning, Architectural Design Studios I-VII Architectural Structures I-II, Steel Structures Materials and Methods I-II, Environmental Technology I-II, Building Ecology I-II, Auto Cad I, Architectural Theory I-III

**Skills:** Auto Cad, Rhino 4.0, V-Ray, Master CAM, Photoshop, Illustrator, In Design, Google Sketch-up, Dr. Frame, Microsoft office applications, Wood-Metal shop, Hand modeling-drawing, Exceptional written and oral communication and proficient in Spanish.

## Exhibition and Competition:

*2008 Chase Bank Community Development Competition, University of Minnesota Studio IV, spring 2008*  
Location: New Orleans

Assisted the Renaissance Project, a local New Orleans 501(c) (3) Organization, in rehabilitating the community garden and farmers market infrastructures in the Lower Ninth Ward.

Worked as a team to produce a design concept, budget, and construction documents that correlated and defined the non-profits goals

Presented the design work at the Walker Arts Center in Minneapolis as part of a lecture for the Design for the Other 90% exhibition

## Volunteer-\*Work Experience:

*\*AmeriCorps VISTA Fellow, Dwight Hall at Yale University, Co-Op High School Staff Admin, New Haven, CT*  
July 2010-Present

Designed and developed a branding strategy and marketing materials for Co-Op High School's After School Program  
Provided administrative support to current staff while restructuring the Co-Op after school program to support 296 students  
Recruited volunteers with backgrounds in the arts to help foster student appreciation for arts related career opportunities  
Networked with local professionals to diversify Co-op students understanding of current professional practices in design related fields, culminating with several on site visits with local firms and artists.

*Collegiate Challenge Coordinator, Habitat for Humanity, University of Minnesota chapter, Minneapolis, MN*  
2006-2008

Coordinated 120 students embarking on 12 different volunteer trips, resulting in the construction of affordable housing.  
Led trips across the United States while keeping a detailed logistical schedule, which insured a successful trip.  
Communicated with multiple local Habitat for Humanity affiliates in order to maintain their specific goals.  
Engaged campus community in yearly events effecting individuals awareness of affordable housing and homelessness.

*\*Architectural Youth Program Mentor, Architectural Youth Program, Minneapolis, MN*  
2007-2008

Advised a group of five St. Paul high school students, resulting in the design of a performance space on campus.  
Guided and developed the design intuition of the high school students, to refine their thought process.  
Listened and communicated to the students about their ideas during the charrette, in order to achieve a balanced design.

*Green Light Sustainable Design Charrette, University of Minnesota College of Design, Minneapolis, MN*  
2007-2008

Collaborated with and representatives from the Cold Springs Granite Co. and the Covanta energy group in two weekend charrettes, resulting in the sustainable re-design of the company's facilities.  
Discussed sustainable design approaches with a group of students and local professionals in order to fulfill the goals of the two company's representatives.  
Summarized the weekend discussion in two final presentations, involving multiple business associates from the participating companies and a panel of critics.

## Learning Abroad Program:

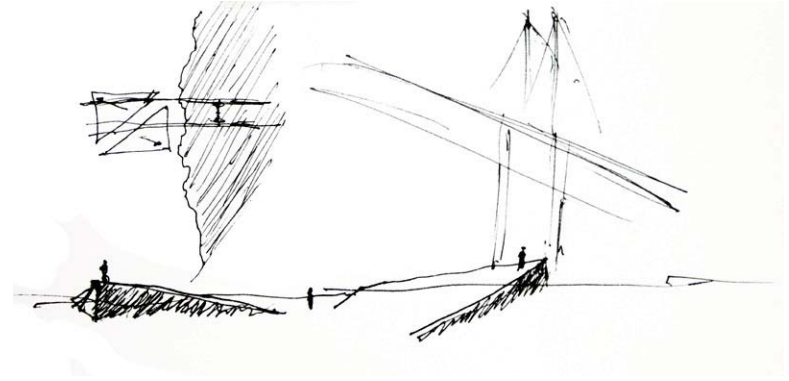
*Argentina Studio, Instructors: Gerardo Caballero and Juan Rois*  
Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, Rosario, Argentina Summer of 2009

Developed two design projects with a practicing local architect, one that utilized hand drawing skills and the other, which created an iterative set of handmade models.

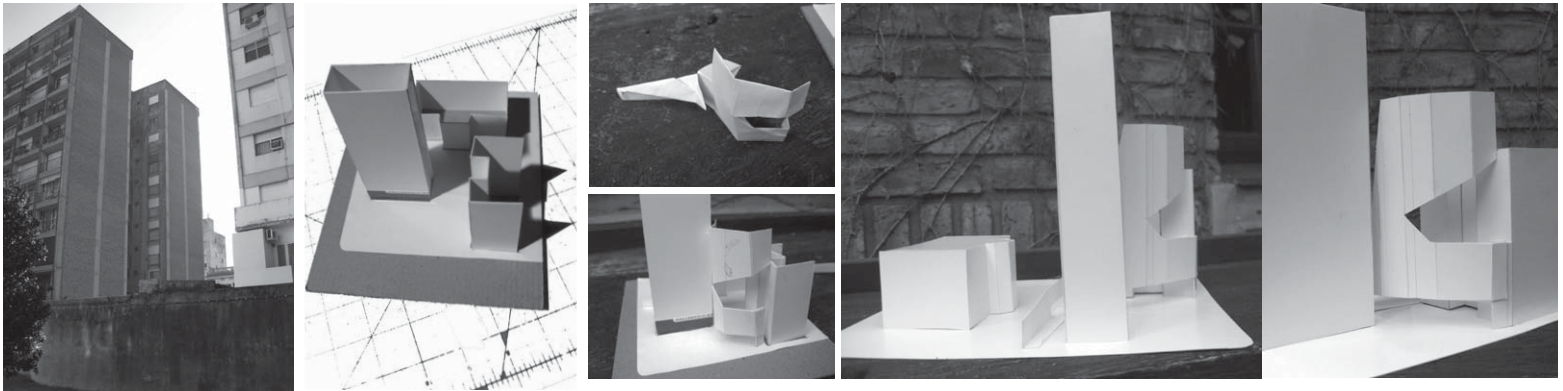
Immersed myself in the culture of Argentina in order fully understand the necessary design principles in Rosario, AR

Evaluated students work as part of a workshop at the Universidad Abierta Interamericana our partnering university in Rosario.

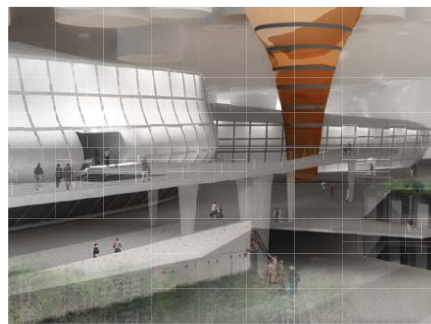
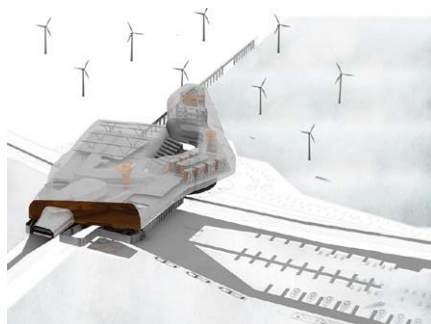
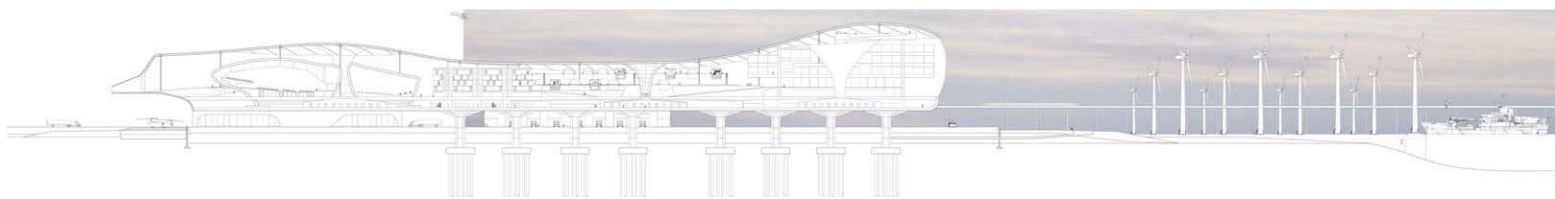
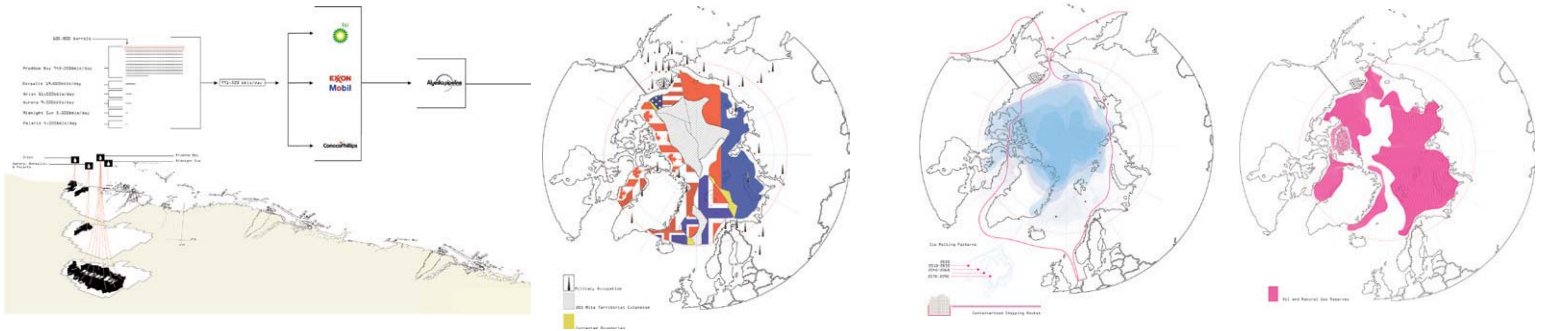
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Rosario, Argentina: Measuring the Horizon  
Rosario, Argentina: Urban Friction



Learning Abroad Program: Rosario, Argentina Summer\_2009  
Professors: Gerardo Caballero and Juan Rois



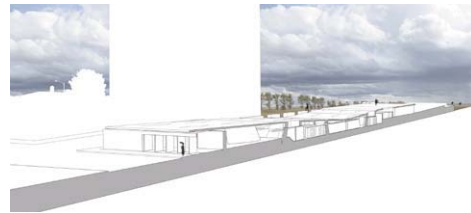
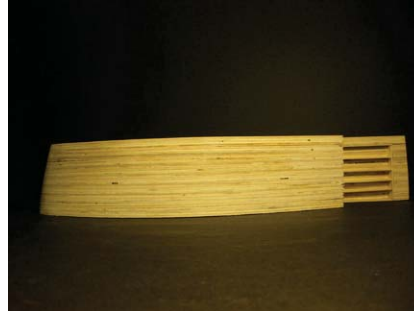
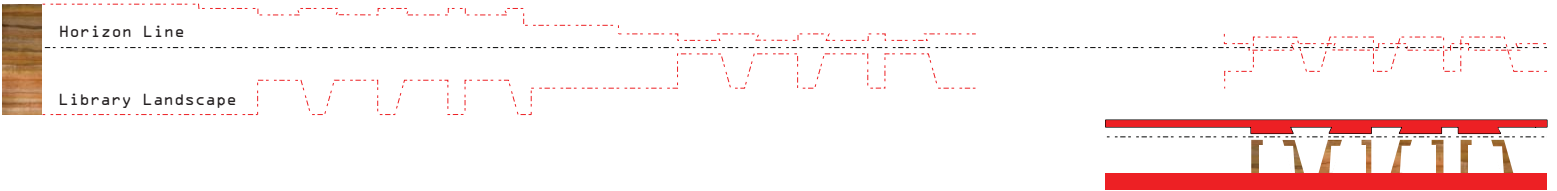
Master of Architecture Thesis, Pipeline\_Ecologies: *The Geopolitical Expansion of the North West Territory*  
Primary Thesis Advisor: Geoffrey Thün

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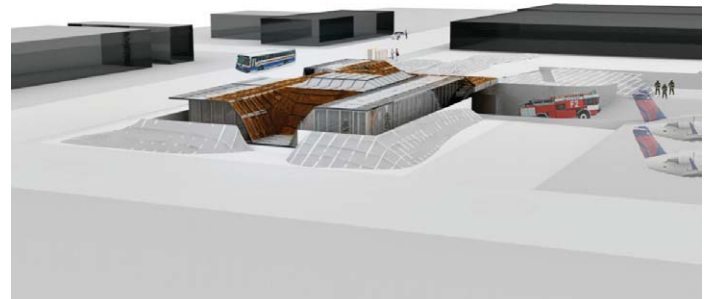
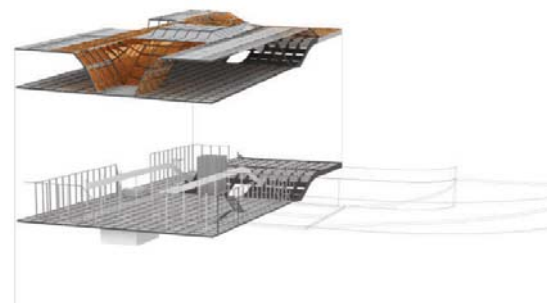
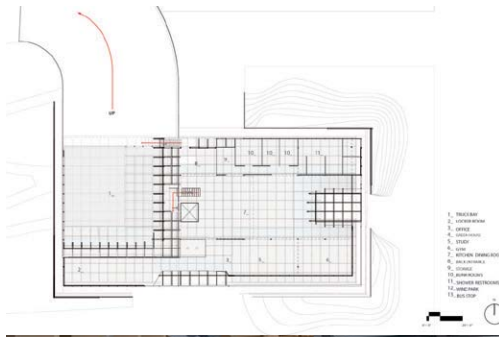
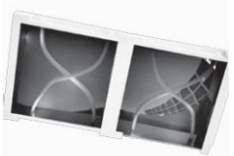
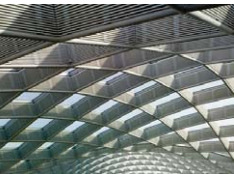
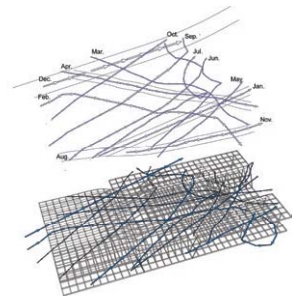
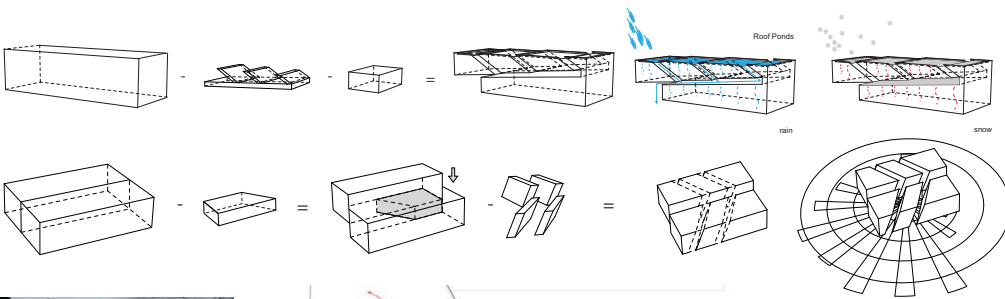
Roof Canopy

Horizon Line

Library Landscape

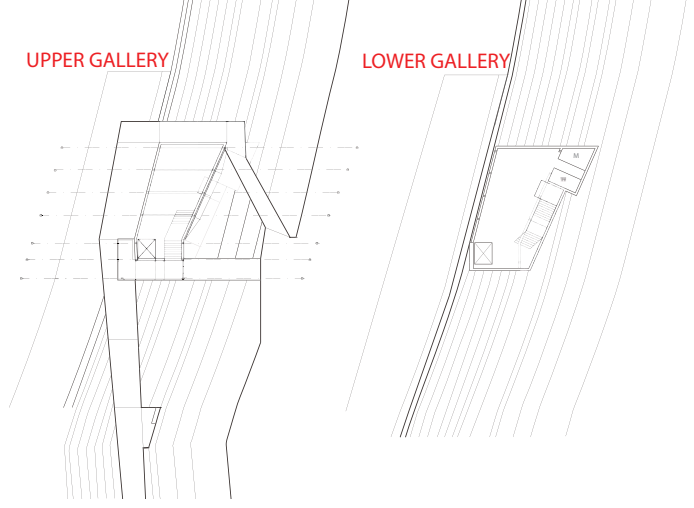
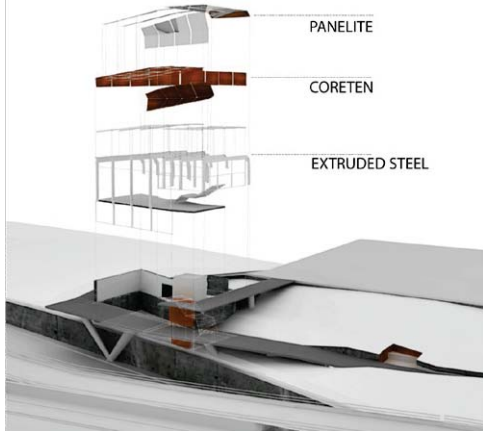


The Shadowlands Library: Marfa, Texas Fall\_2009 Professors\_Marlon Blackwell and Tony Patterson

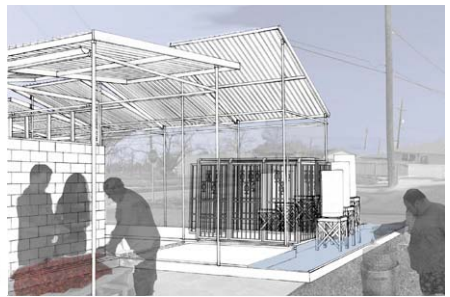
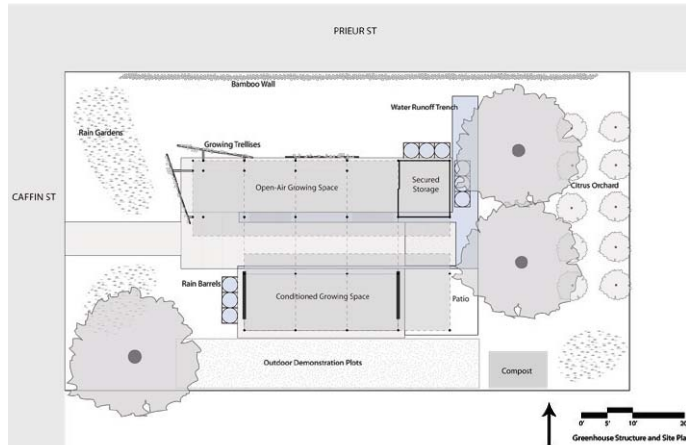
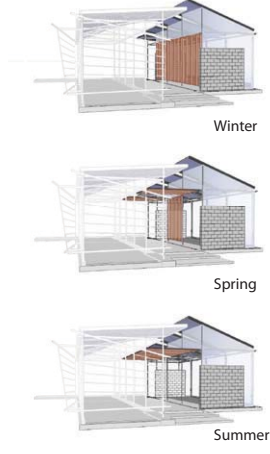
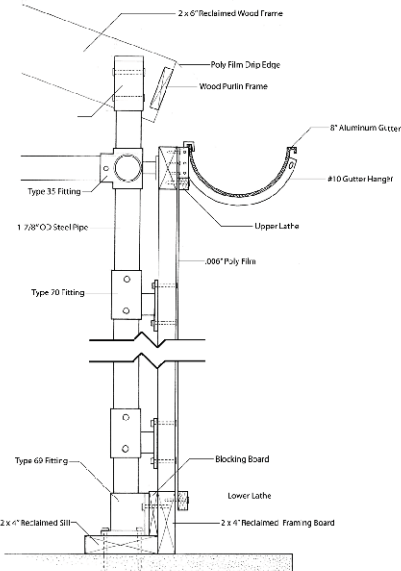


Building Anatomy: Grad Elective MDW Fire Station Spring\_2009 Professors\_Craig Borum and Neal Robinson  
Project team: Kyle Skar, Andrew Norskog, Tom Lee, and Chris Nakamura

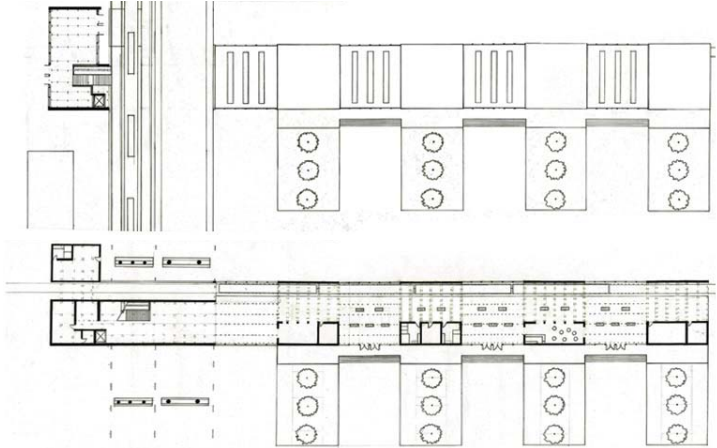
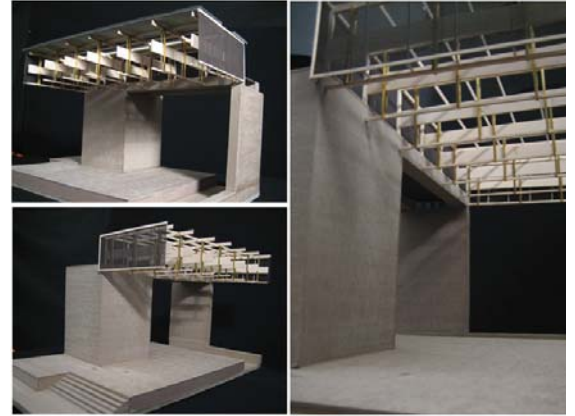
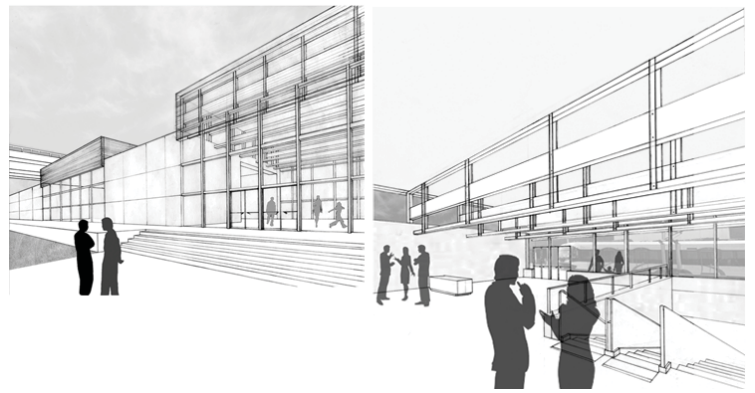
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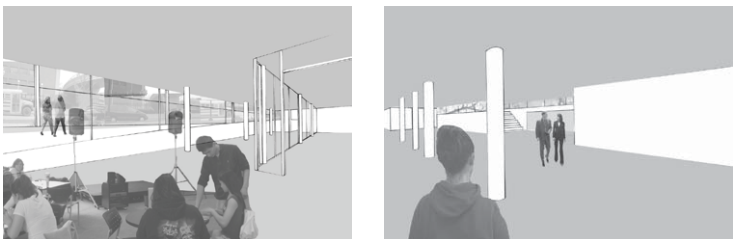
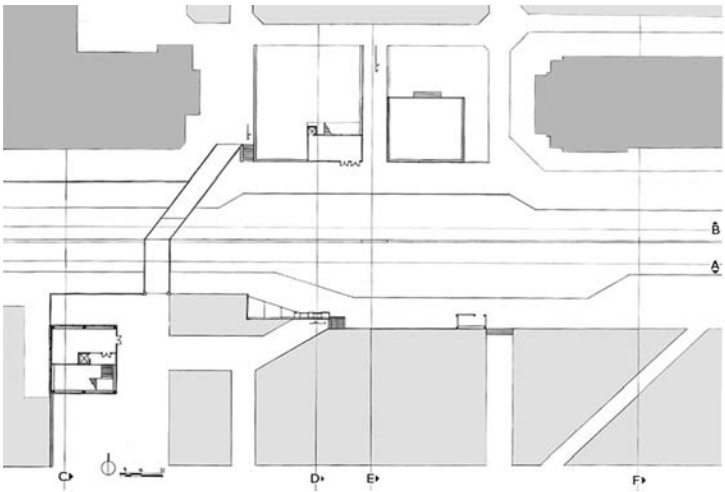
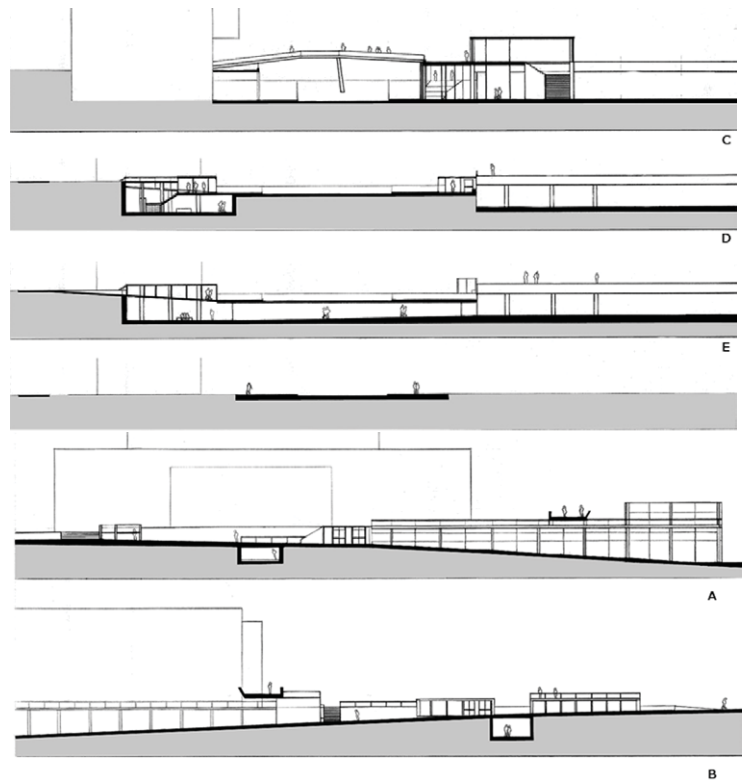
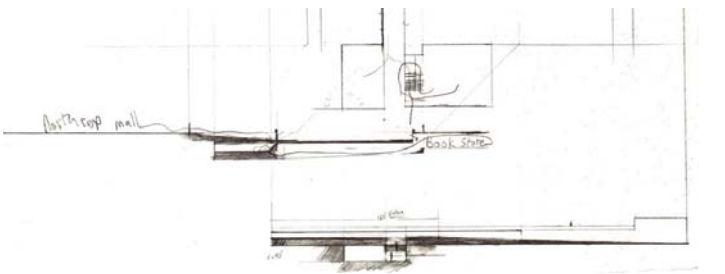
Shrinking Cities Literally: Grad Studio\_2 Spring\_2009  
Professors\_Mark Linder and Julia Czerniak



2008 Chase Bank Community Development Competition Entry: Studio\_4 Spring 2008 Professor\_Thomas Westbrook  
Project team: Kyle Skar, Christine Warnert, Jake Lewis, Michael Sobol, and Jodi Wilson



North Star Commuter Rail (Tectonic Frame Project): Studio\_3 Fall\_2007 Professor\_Bob Ganser



Reformatting the Coffman Union Bus Stop: Studio\_2 Spring\_2007 Professor\_Martha McQuade