Intentional Reflective Practice to Wrap-up the Semester

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End of Semester: A Learning Opportunity

- Provides opportunities for meta-cognition
- Reflect on the arc of their personal and professional growth
- Provide me specific information on how to improve course
Hort 481: Advanced Garden Composition

• Capstone landscape design course
• 5 major residential landscape design projects
  • Site documentation
  • Drawing
  • Estimate
• Oral and written communication
Hort 481: Learning Objectives

• Demonstrate skills associated with creating landscape designs.
• Accurately measure a landscape site and document field information.
• Demonstrate proficiency in computer-aided design.
• Practice and refine written and oral communication of design concepts.
Objective

Demonstrate skills associated with creating landscape designs

- 5 design assignments
- Reflective writing assignment (after each design)
  - Individual instruction in studio
  - Peer critiques
  - Course materials
Objective

Practice and refine written and oral communication of design concepts.

- Client presentation for each design assignment (O)
- Design Star stand ups (O)
- Design Portfolio (W)
Objective:
Demonstrate skills associated with creating landscape designs

• Describe how you met this objective.
• Compare and contrast your first design of the semester to the final design. What skills changed, and how?
Objective:
Practice and refine written and oral communication of design concepts.

- Describe how you met this objective.
- Compare and contrast your first design concept to the final design concept; first presentation to last presentation.
- What changed, and how?
General Questions

• What was the easiest part of this course for you?
  • Technical skills
    • measuring the site
    • plant selection
    • using design software
General Questions

• What was the **hardest** part of this course for you?
  • “Figuring out what the client wanted.”
  • “Creating something from scratch.”
  • “Creating something when we had to keep certain things.”
Are you ready to be a landscape design professional?
Conclusions

Arguably the most valuable 15 minutes of the semester!
Discussion and Questions?
Thank you!

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