PORTFOLIO

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ABOUT ME

My name is Maram Mashal. I am 21 years old, with Syrian heritage, and spent my childhood in Kuwait before moving to the United States in 2014. I've always been passionate about creativity and self-expression, especially through art. I also enjoy exploring languages and religion, which inspire me to grow and connect with diverse perspectives. Spending time with family is a central part of my life that shapes my values. These experiences and passions influence my design approach, blending cultural richness and personal growth into everything I create. Unwrapping my first sketchbook in third grade, I opened a door to the design world, and I've been stepping through more doors ever since. As a child, I was captivated by the ability to transform my thoughts into visible creations. That passion grew with me—first through visual design, where I honed technical skills in programs like Adobe Illustrator and **Photoshop**, and later through my journey into interior design. My first interior design class opened the biggest door of all, revealing a profession where I could merge creativity and purpose to improve lives.

Growing up immersed in the rich traditions of **Arab-Syrian** culture deeply shaped my understanding of design. From intricate patterns to vibrant textiles, my heritage instilled in me an appreciation for detail, balance, and storytelling through space. This foundation expanded further during my study abroad experience in Italy through Meredith College, where I explored architecture and interiors steeped in history yet alive with modern influence. Witnessing how design evolves across cultures reaffirmed my belief that spaces are not just functional—they are transformative. My academic background in psychology informs my approach to design, emphasizing the profound ways environments impact mental health, behavior, and wellbeing. I aim to create interiors that resonate emotionally while addressing practical needs, from enhancing comfort to fostering creativity.

Interior design is not just a career; it's my way of contributing to the world. Whether through the thoughtful selection of colors and textures or through layouts that promote accessibility and inclusivity, I strive to design spaces that leave a lasting, positive impression on those who enter them.

As I prepare to graduate, I am excited to bring my passion, cultural inspirations, and multidisciplinary perspective to the field, continuing to open doors for myself and others.

RESUME

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EDUCATION

MEREDITH COLLEGE

2021 - 2025

Bachelor of Science in Interior Design

Minors: Spanish and Psychology

Interior Architecture Study Abroad - Sansapocro,

Italy - Summer 2022

SKILLS

AutoCAD

Revit

Sketchup

Canva

Hand/Computer Rendering

Adobe Specialist

Photoshop

InDesign

Illustrator

Space Planning & Sketching

EXPERIENCE

THE GREEN CHAIR PROJECT

VOLUNTEER

Raleigh, NC | September 2023

• Assisted in renovating showroom walls by removing wallpaper to prepare the space for new designs.

MEDINA QURAN AND YOUTH CENTER

ARABIC AND ISLAMIC STUDIES TEACHER

Raleigh, NC | September 2020 - Present

- Taught Arabic to Levels 1–5 during the week.
- Design and deliver lessons for Islamic Studies and Arabic for two classes of 12 students (ages 5–10) every Saturday.
- Supervise students during lunch, activities, and dismissal.

MUSLIM STUDENT ASSOCIATION (MSA)

FAITH CHAIR, VICE PRESIDENT, PRESIDENT

Meredith College | August 2021 - Present

- Faith Chair: Organized guest speaker events and cultural activities to foster spiritual and cultural understanding.
- Vice President: Managed activities and served as presiding officer in the president's absence.
- President: Provided strategic leadership, trained board members, conducted quarterly progress evaluations, and coordinated monthly events to engage the student community.

NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR

TUTOR

Raleigh, NC | August 2023 - December 2023

• Supported Spanish-speaking students (ages 8–13) with schoolwork and homework, fostering academic improvement and confidence.

INVOLVEMENTS

American Student
Association of Interior
Design
Alpha Lambda Delta
Muslim Student Association

LANGUAGES

English Arabic Spanish

CERTIFICATIONS

Adobe Specialist Certification in Photoshop, Illustrator, and InDesign Dean's List At Meredith College 2021-2024 Meredith Impact Scholarship Award Interior Design Shelton Scholar Effective Substitute Teacher Training Certification

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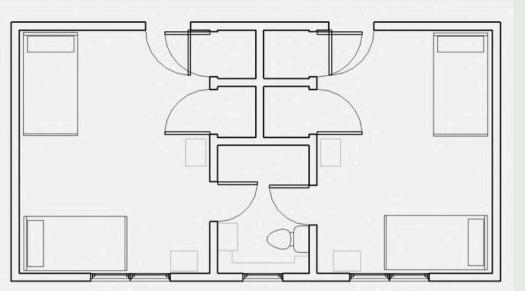
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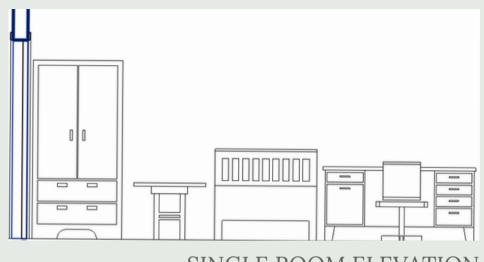
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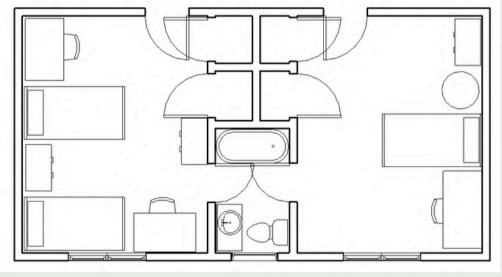
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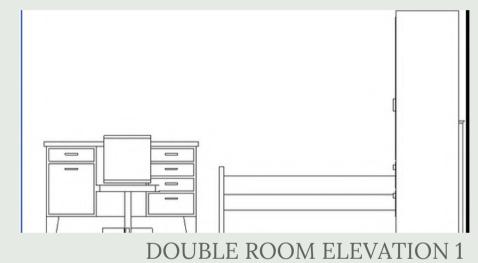




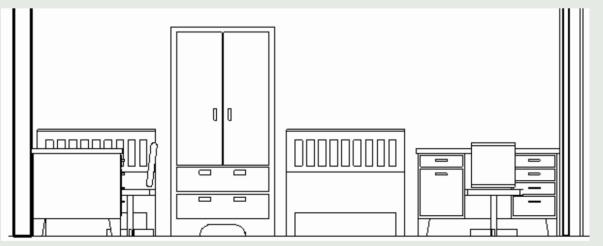
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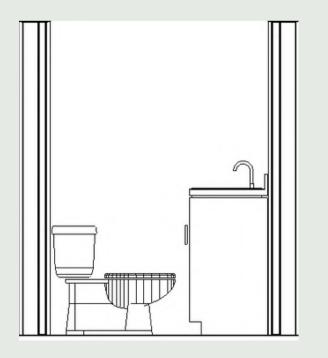




PROPOSED FLOORPLAN



DOUBLE ROOM ELEVATION 2

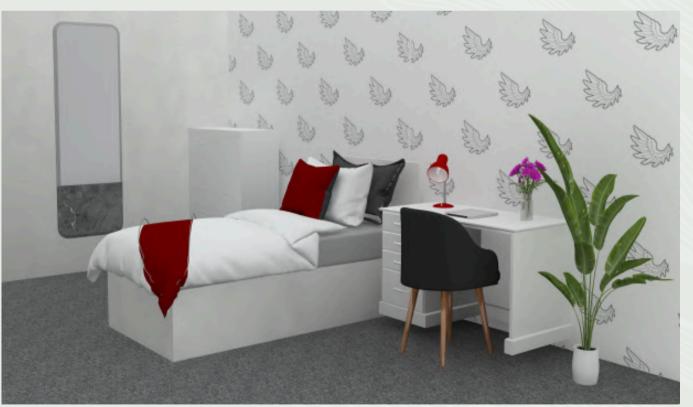


BATHROOM ELEVATION

COLLEGE DORMITORY

Our residential suite is committed to giving students a safe and encouraging residential setting where they can flourish intellectually, socially, and personally. The space strives to provide residents the tools they need to confidently and easily navigate their college journey by emphasizing privacy, individuality, and wellbeing. The rooms ensure that students feel appreciated and supported as they achieve their goals, therefore, we have incorporated some light and clam accents of color and a simple wallpaper that help foster in the feeling of belonging and community on campus residencies.

Partner Project with Kermena Ghali



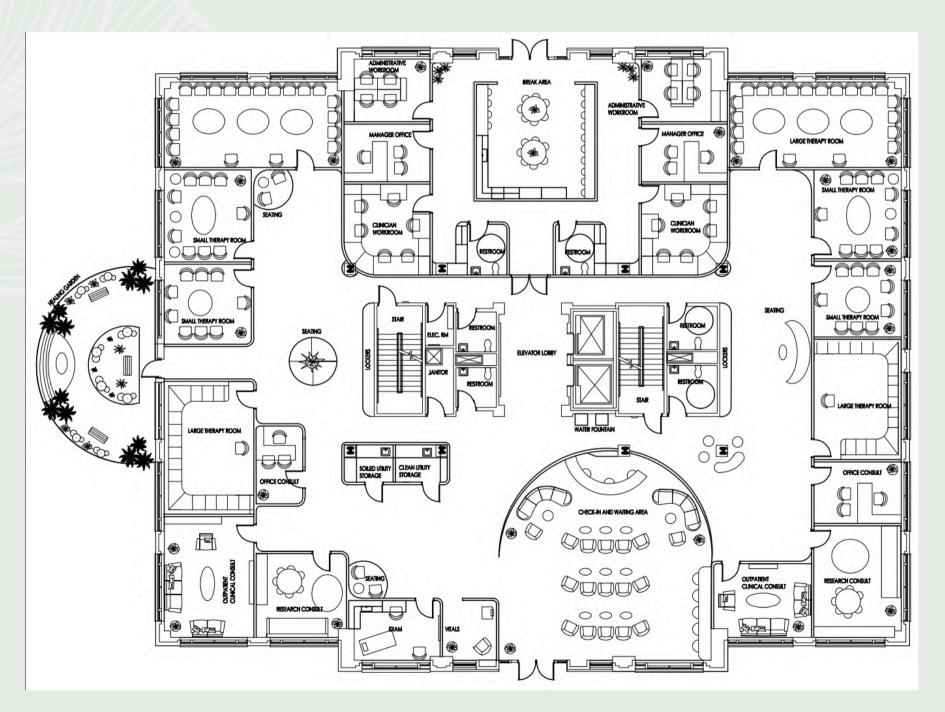
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COLLEGE DORMITORY



DOUBLE ROOM RENDERING IN **REVIT** USING **PODIUM**

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CLINIC FLOORPLAN IN AUTOCAD



Our clinic is designed to be a **healing space** for individuals facing **mood disorders, autism, and substance abuse**. The interior is inspired by the calm, coastal elegance of Palm Beach and the rich, intricate designs of Middle Eastern architecture, with green and gold elements that create feelings of tranquility. The **biophilic** design encourages recovery by thoughtfully integrating natural sunlight, rich biodiversity, and organic materials, resulting in a safe and comfortable atmosphere. Every aspect is carefully chosen to evoke a positive mindset while also promoting emotional health and resilience creating a balanced atmosphere that combines **nature, luxury, and care**.





CHILDREN RESEARCH CONSULT ROOM RENDERING IN SKETCHUP USING ENSCAPE

WAITING ROOM SELECTIONS

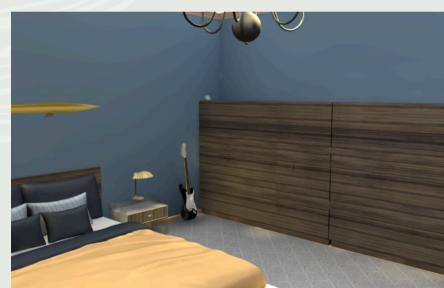


WAITING ROOM RENDERING IN SKETCHUP USING ENSCAPE



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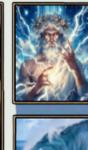


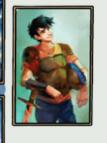




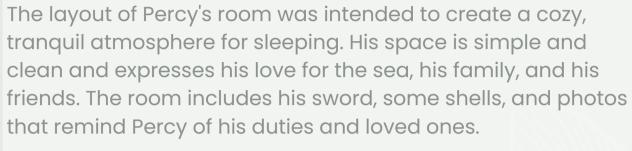












ROOM RENDERING IN **SKETCHUP** USING **PODIUM**







CARPET











ROOM ADAPTATION: PROFESSOR X











FLOOR

The goal of Professor X's room was to create a tranquil space that inspires seeking knowledge and harmony. Professor x's room includes a quantity of books and a cozy sitting area that creates a welcoming environment and emphasizes his wise nature.

ROOM RENDERING IN **SKETCHUP** USING **PODIUM**







ROOM ADAPTATION: PABLO PICASSO





Pablo Picasso's studio provides a stimulating and imaginative atmosphere that will help him produce art. His room is filled with his favorite ceramic pieces as well as several of his well-known paintings. Picasso's space also provides a welcoming environment for his clients

ROOM RENDERING IN **SKETCHUP** USING **PODIUM**

























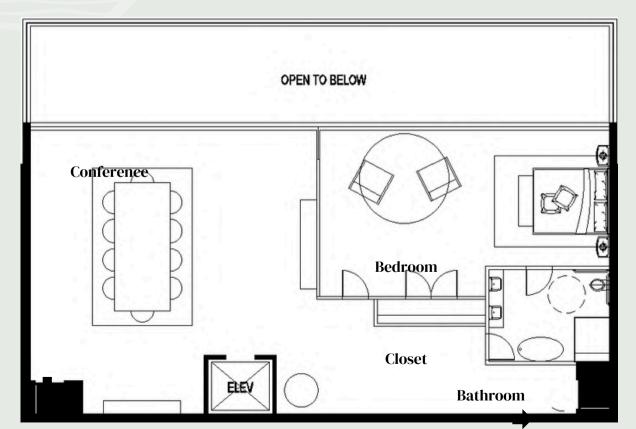






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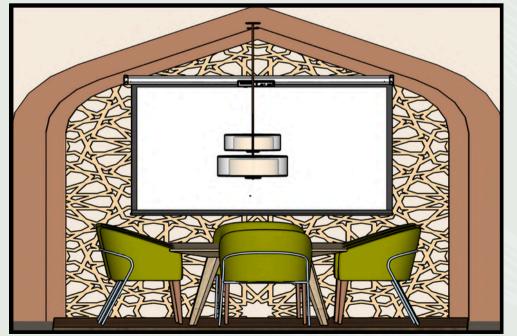


SKYBOX

Soulful Sounds is a music company with a firmly established style that is frequently associated with richness and elaborate details, drawing from the rich cultural and historical traditions of the Arab world. With its elaborate patterns, vivid colors, and close ties to Islamic culture, it embodies the legacy of Arab architecture and art. By fusing components like Arabic calligraphy, geometric patterns, and a warm, earthy color scheme, this design style honors the beauty of Islamic art. The luxurious and culturally expressive environment created by Soulful Sounds' skybox design highlights the significance of the worship songs or Nasheed they produce using mainly vocals and the tambourine instrument shown in the logo.

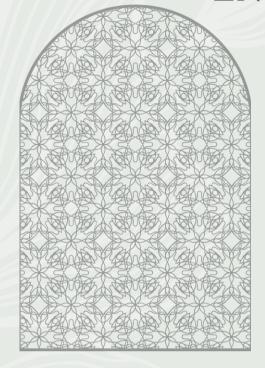
CONFERENCE AREA DESIGN IN SKETCHUP





ENTERTAINMENT AREA DESIGN & SELECTIONS

SKYBOX





















TAG	QTY	PRODUCT
E1	1	Ground Level Sofa
E2	1	Beige Oriental Rug
ЕЗ	1	Wooden Ceiling Light
E4	4	Geometric Wall Design
E5	1	3 Piece Wall Art
E6	1	Light Marble tile Wall
E7	1	Floor Wood
E8	4	Bar Height Stone Table
E9	16	Bar Height Leather Chair
E10	15	Ground Level Viewing Chair





VIEWING PLATFORMS SELECTION



FLOOR 1

RESIDENTIAL STUDIO SLEEP SPACE **DESIGN & SELECTIONS**









FLOOR 2







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SKYBOX







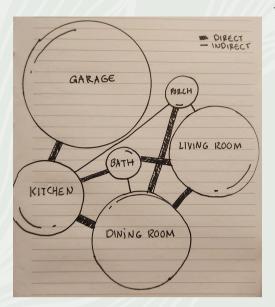


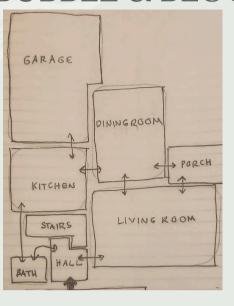
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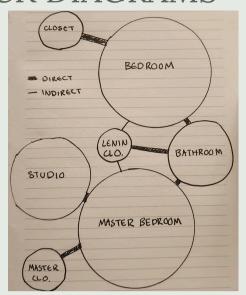
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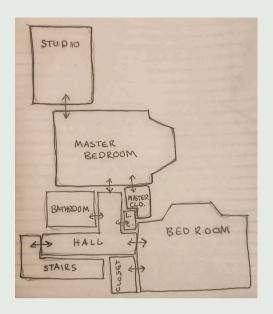
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BUBBLE & BLOCK DIAGRAMS









SEARS HOME

This Sear's Organic Home uses neutral colors, plants, curved lines, and modern paintings to capture a calm and warm space that creates harmony for the family



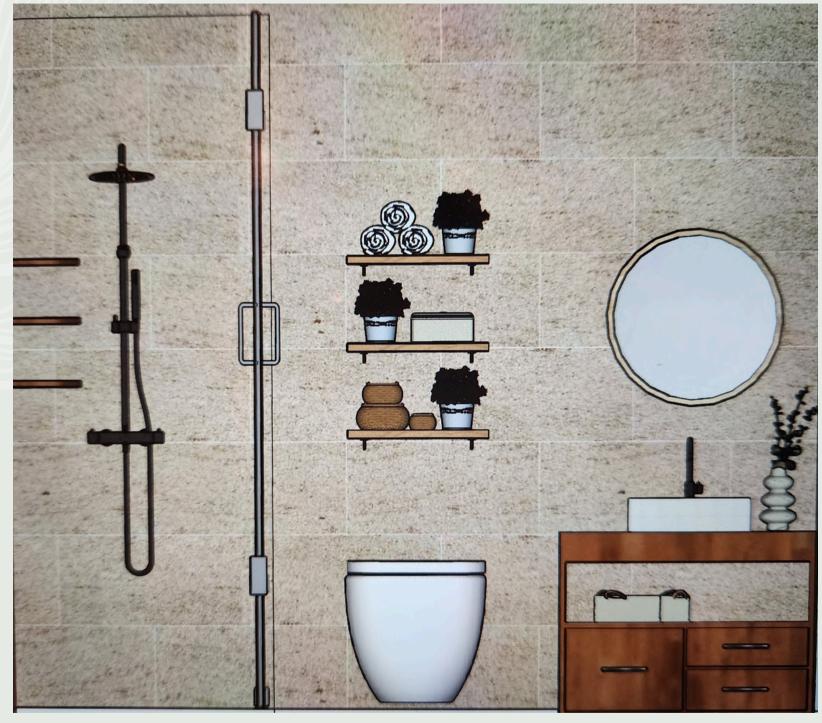






DINING ROOM

SEARS HOME



BATHROOM ELEVATION IN **SKETCHUP**



KITCHEN DESIGN/SELECTIONS









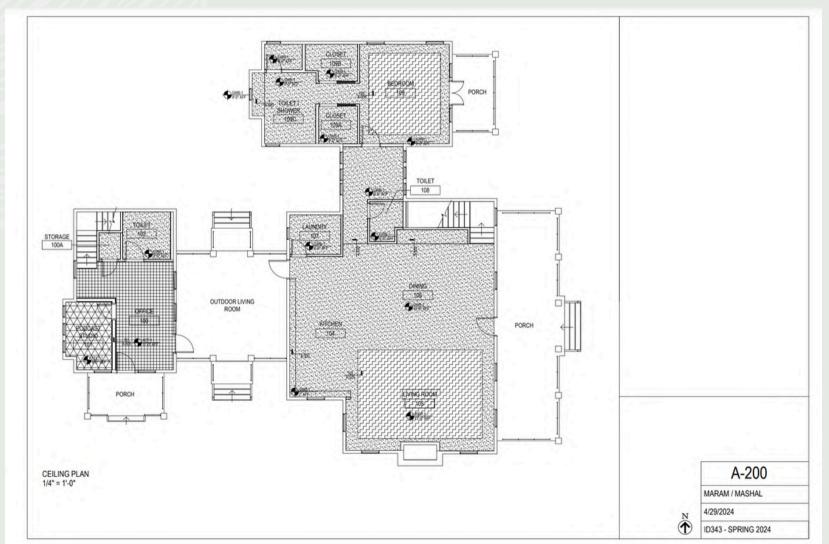
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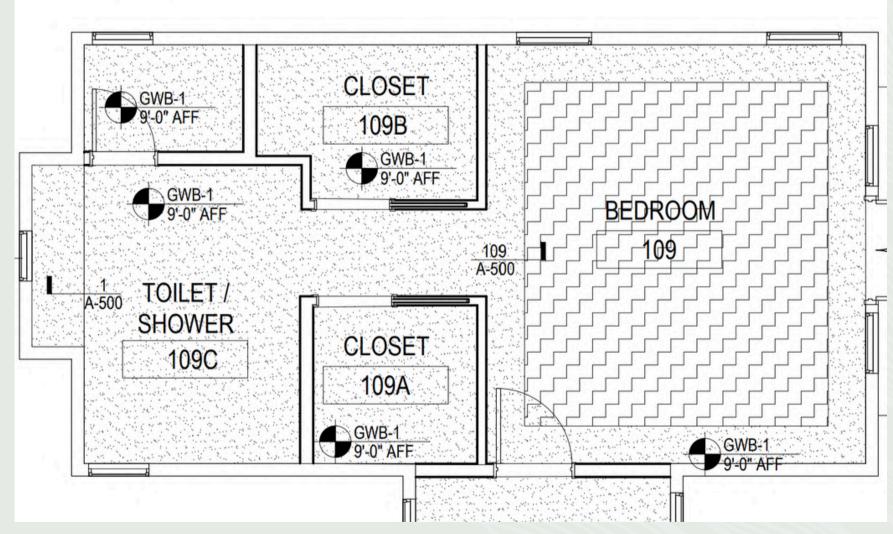


3D MODEL USING FOAM BOARD

CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS

This project involved the development of detailed plans for flooring, ceilings, doors, and cabinetry construction in **AutoCAD** that are tailored for a mixed-use building that combines residential and commercial spaces.

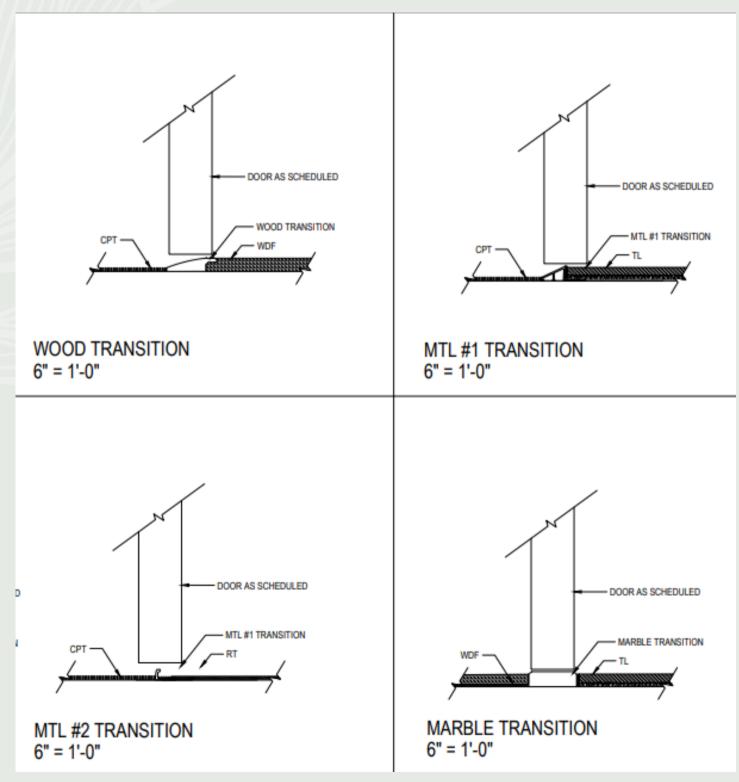


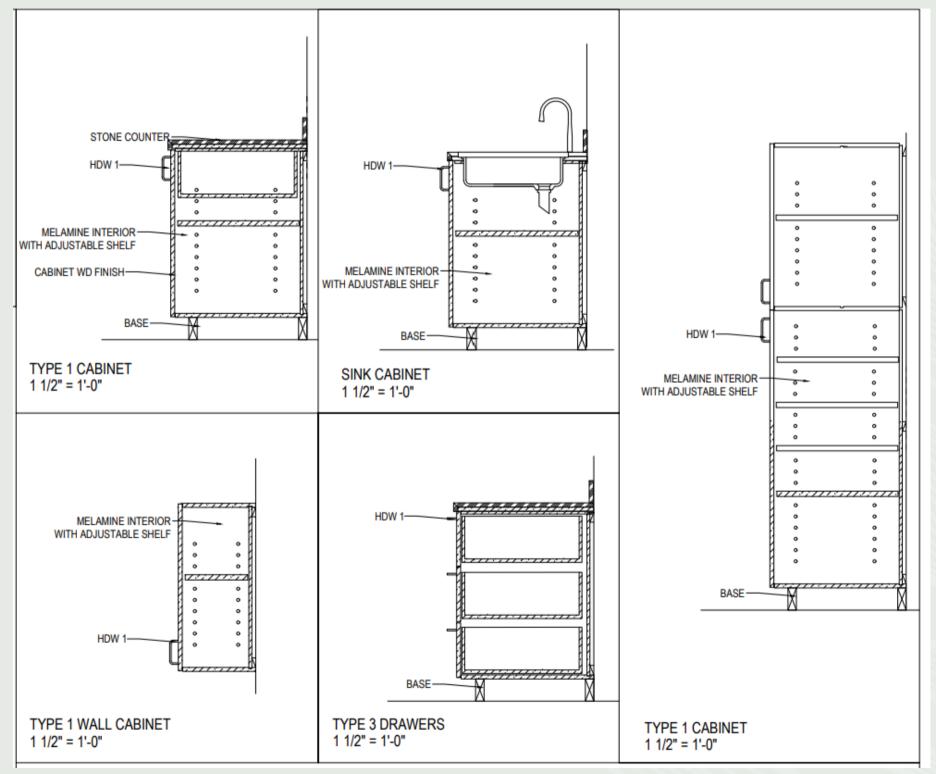


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CEILING PLAN FOR PRIVATE BEDROOM

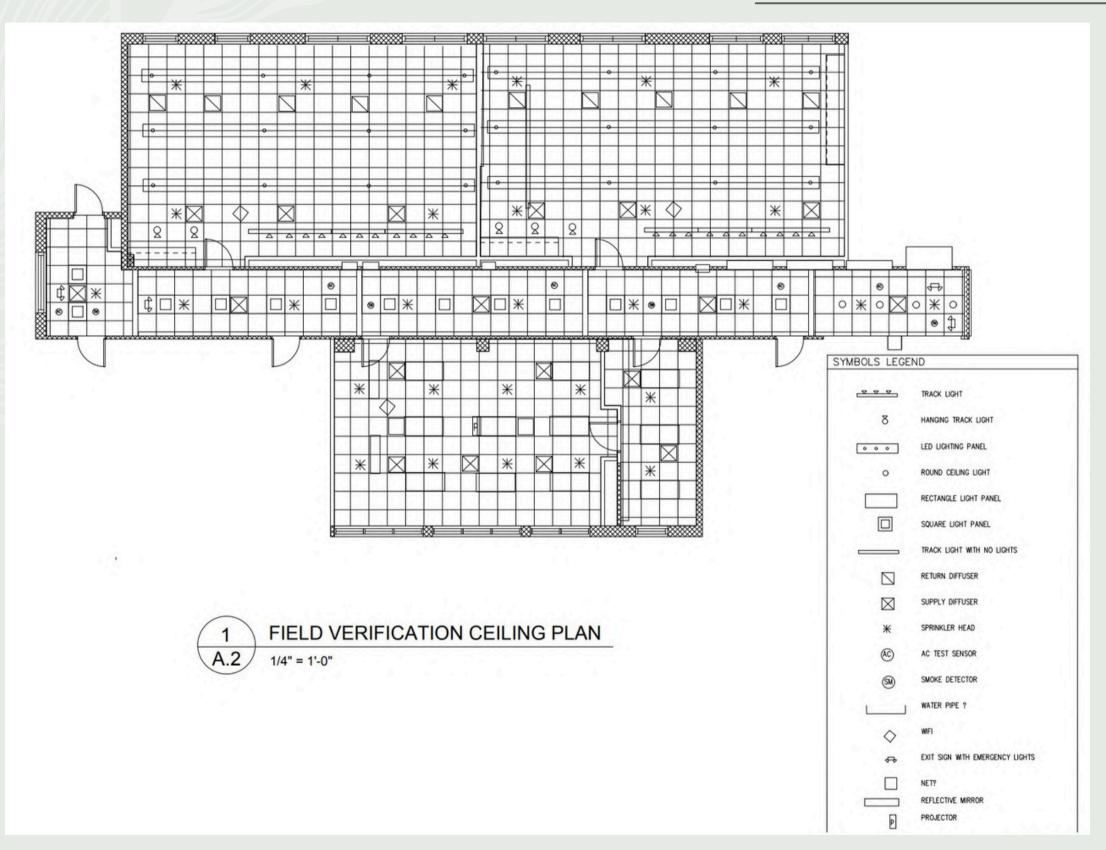
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CABINET CONSTRUCTION

FIELD VERIFICATION



This project focused on creating a ceiling plan by conducting a field verification of our interior design classroom and drafting it in **AutoCAD**.

CEILING PLAN