

# TA ORIENTATION PROGRAM

*Architecture Specific Session*

# Agenda

Introductions

General Architecture TA Overview

Panel Discussion

Open Q&A Session

# Introductions

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# TA Overview -- Critique

- What is critique?
- What are the goals of a critique?
- How is critique used differently in Architecture?

# TA Overview -- Critique

*How should one deliver feedback?*

- Clearly justify why perspective is taken
- Positive - Negative - Positive
- Encourage optimistic next steps of action

# TA Overview -- Critique

*How should one receive feedback?*

- Non defensive
- Note take
- Nothing is personal

# TA Overview -- Collaboration

*How can we better collaborate with faculty and peers?*

- Foster open environment for critique to take place
- Have established guidelines for constructive criticism and evaluation
- Balance formal / informal reviews
- Keep faculty and fellow TAs informed on any issues/problems, frequent communication

# TA Overview -- Challenges

*What are some challenges of being an architecture student?*

- High workload / stress
- Balance own work for sake of your students



# TA Overview -- Learning Environments

*How can we encourage a positive learning environment?*

- Keep an eye on students, reach out to those who may need help
- Be aware of student deadlines outside of your specific class

# TA Overview -- Resources

*What are some mental health resources?*

- Syracuse University Counseling Center

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# Panel Discussion

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# Open Q&A

*Questions?*

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