SYME HALL GARDEN

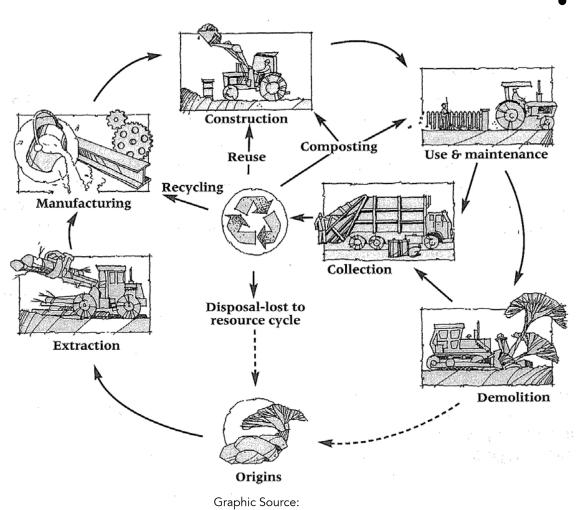


Low Impact Workshop

- Low Impact Stormwater Workshop
 - Timeline
 - May 24th– August 6th
 - Credit Hours
 - 6 Credit Studio Course
 - Enrollment
 - 18 students



Building Great Places Through Low Impact Development (LID)



Thompson & Sorvig, 2000

Building Better Sites

- Context Sensitive Design
 - Program / Users / Environment / Materiality / Maintenance
- Integrated Design
 - Building / Site / Infrastructure
- Living Systems Design
 - Soils / Hydrology / Flora / Fauna
- Water Quality + Quantity
 - Capture / Convey / Release
- Best Management Practices
 - Amended soils / Treatment chain / Bioinfiltration / Water-wise plants
- Life-Cycle Assessment
 - Cost / Durability / Maintainability
- Reuse + Repurpose
 - Water / Recycled Materials
- Leading-edge Methods
 - Engagement / Design / Engineering / Materials / Fabrication / Installation



A Troubled Site



SYME HALL DIAGNOSTICS



Lack of Vegetation (1) Without vegetation, first floor

residents do not have privacy from people who can easily approach their window







Unsightly Handrail (4) Not needed for entrance as the slope is less than 4%



Condensate Eroding (5) Mulch and Soil

Constant dripping continues to flush mulch and soil onto the sidewalk



Wash-Out onto Sidewalk (6)

Stormwater washes mulch and water onto the sidewalk creating a slick surface for users and icing hazzard in freezing conditions



PATIENT Syme Hall

DATE

Summer 2010

PHYSICIAN Landscape Architecture Studio



- Grade earth to move water away from building
- Capture stormwater runoff from roof and collect in cistern
- Channel water to infiltration areas to prevent water from sheeting onto sidewalks
- Provide structural support to soil by installing appropriate plants
- Clean water before returning it to the watertable



Stakeholders – Starting with the client

Needs and interests

University Housing

- Durability
- Safety
- Represent the University

University Landscape **Architect**

- Be unique to surrounding outdoor spaces
- Fit in with the overall campus aesthetic

University

Water, Slippen Sidewalks, Damage to Apox Mention of structures

Gaining an understanding of the client's values from the very 1st day

Engineer

- Integrity of structures
- Keeping water away from historic building

Grounds and Maintenance

- Relatively low maintenance
- Maintain access to building



Sustainability Integrated With Client Needs



- Safety, Health + Welfare
- Beautification
- Usability



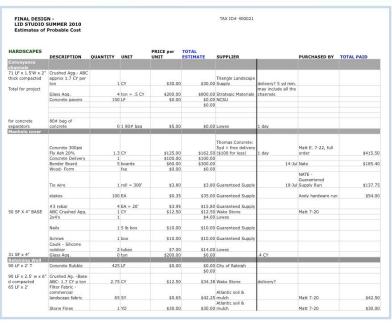
Team Development

- Site Grading + Layout
- Detail Development
- Procurement + Logistics
- Planting
- Signage + Marketing





Materials + Logistics



Project Budget:

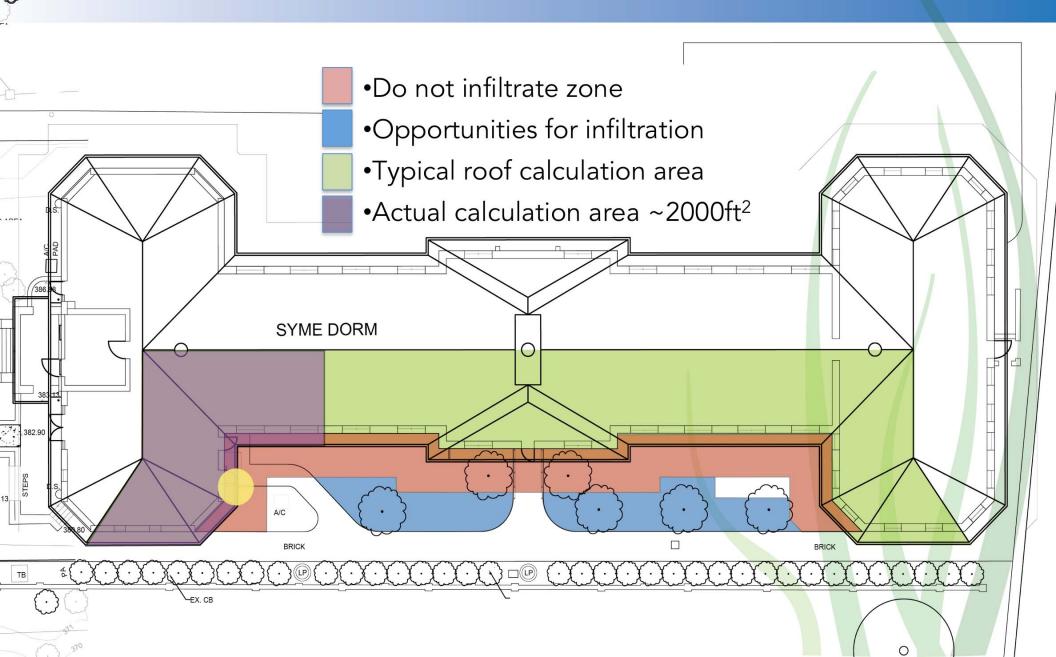
- •Source Materials
- •Coordination of Purchasing and Delivery of Materials
- •Projected Costs vs. Actual Costs

Project Timeline:

- Projecting Duration and Necessary Resources for Each Phase of the Project
- •Coordinating Resources: People, Tools, Materials, Money
- Projecting Critical Path of Project
- •Coordinating Purchase of Materials with Phases of Project Development



Infiltration Calculation

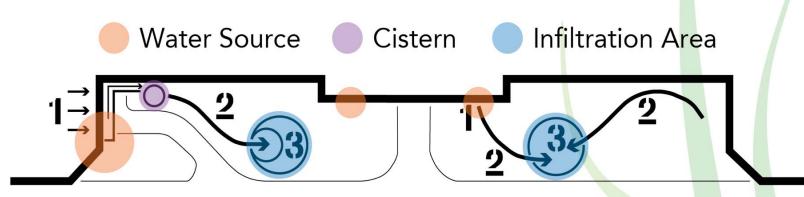




LID Strategy For Syme Hall



1. Collect 2. Convey 3. Filter





Grading + Layout

- •Finding old Terracotta pipes forced changes
 - •Sketching to maintain the bones of the original design
 - Understanding path and flow of water
 - •Major structures included dry-stack walls and runnels



- •Creating, referencing and measuring from historical documents
- Adapting to and discovering existing conditions

•Shaping rain gardens and walls around function, safety and form



Grading + Layout





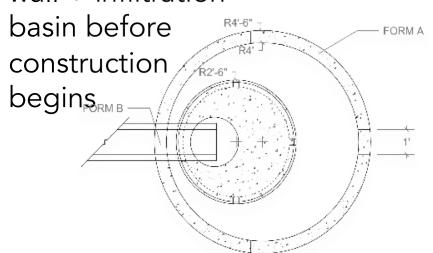


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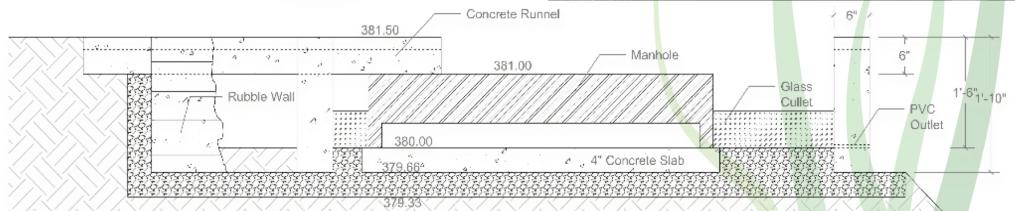




 Detailing and understanding CIP wall + infiltration



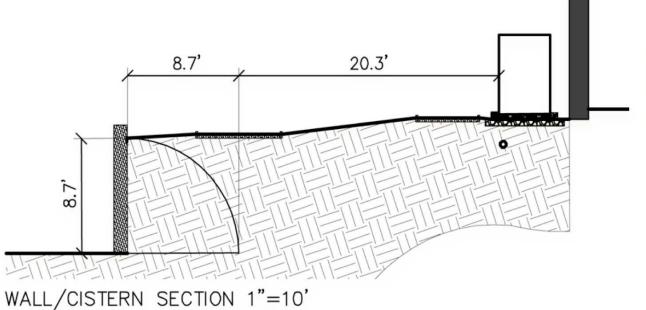


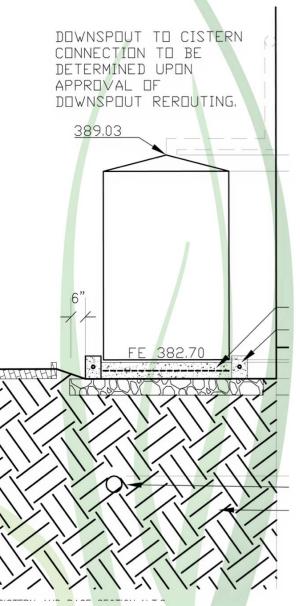




 Choosing location of 500 gallon cistern based on sound engineering principles







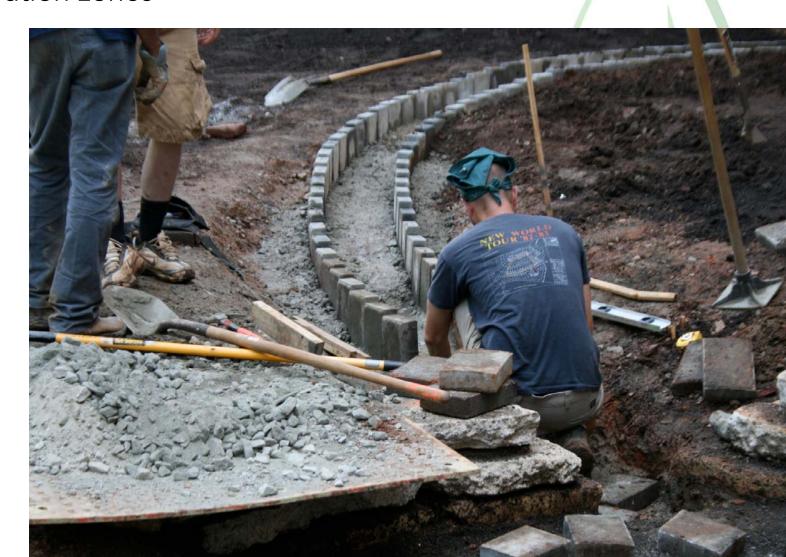


Learning many lessons from the concrete forming process



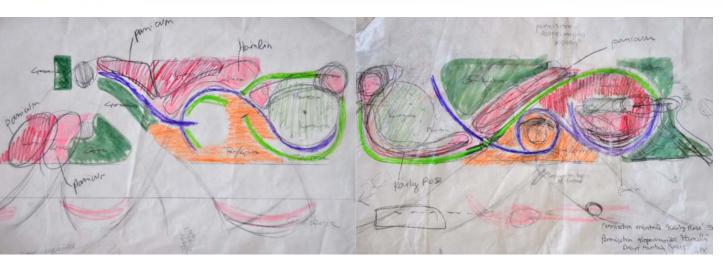


 Building artful conveyance channels to incorporate A/C condensate into the infiltration zones

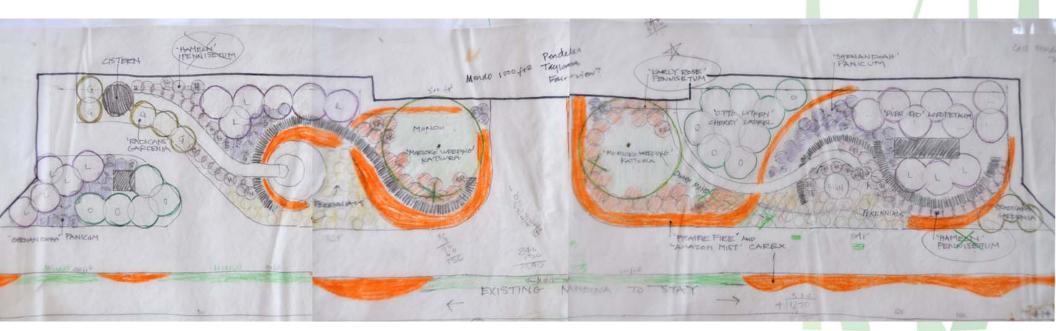




Plant Design + Selection

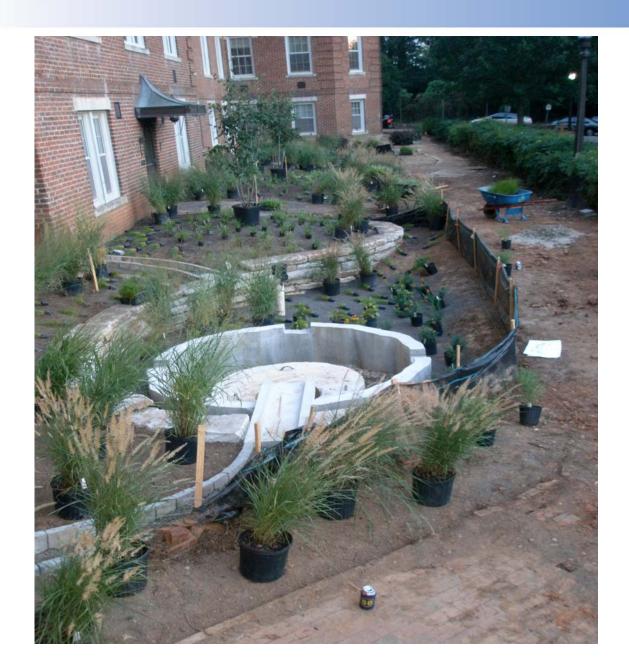


- Choosing plants by survivability, maintainability, availability
- Creating School-Year (August-May) Interest
- •Planting to highlight the rain-fed water system





Plant Design + Selection



Approximately 1,100 plants total



Education + Experience: Signage

- Appropriate for the design
- Durable
- Educate
- Step away from the norm



COLORINA PLACEMENT



Signage – Integral aspect of design

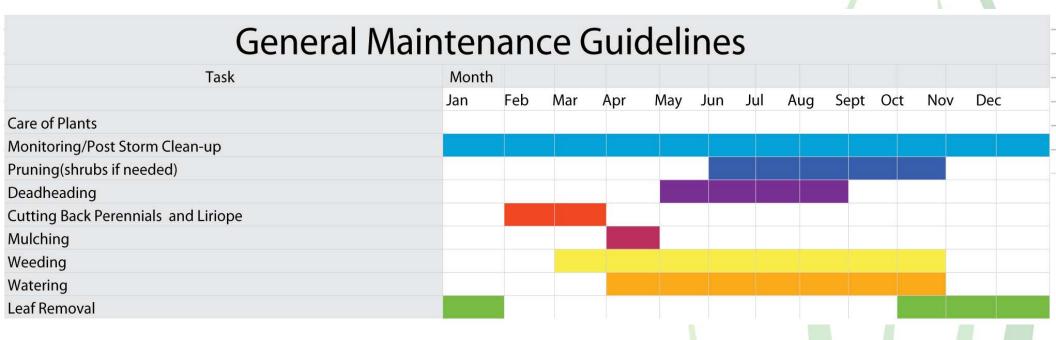






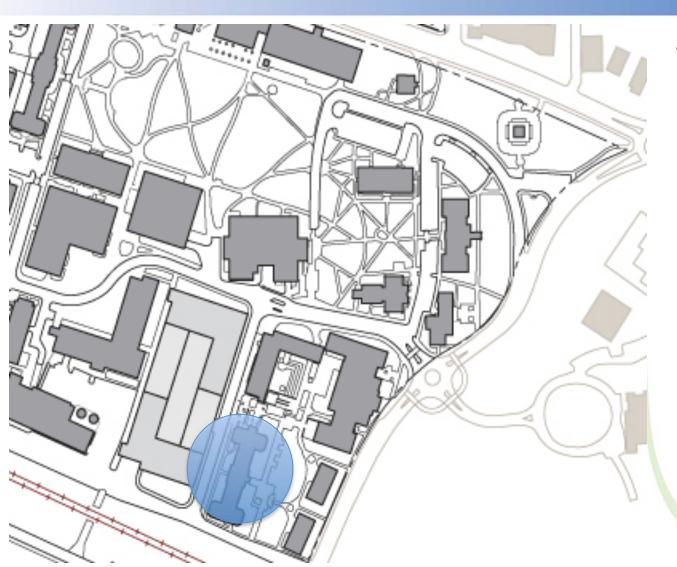
Education: Service Learning

• Student ASLA - supporting a hands-on classroom by volunteering





Local Influence



- Model for:
 - Campus as laboratory
 - Innovative learning
 - Future collaboration across disciplines
 - Research



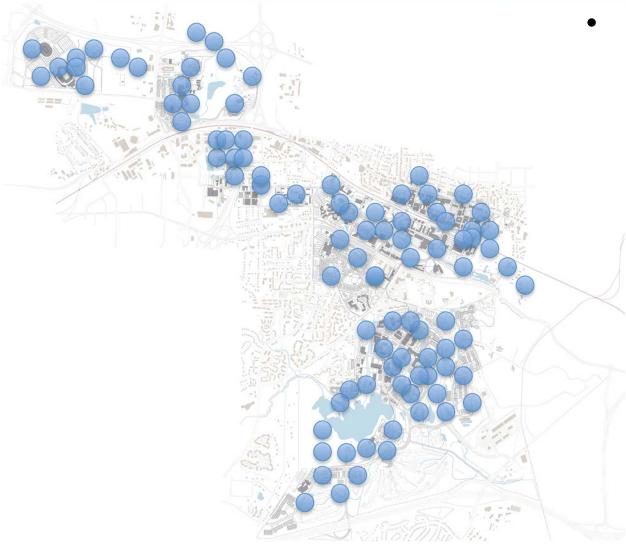
Far Reaching Effects



- Beyond Landscape Architecture
- Beyond Housing



Influence an Entire Campus!



- Twelve Guiding Principles of the Physical Master Plan
 - Commitment to the Master Planning Process
 - Sustainability
 - Integration of Academic, Programmatic and Physical Planning
 - Human-Scaled Campus Neighborhoods and Paths
 - Design Harmony
 - Mixed-Use Activities
 - Visible Neighborhood Activities
 - Universal Design
 - Effective Movement for a Pedestrian-Oriented Campus
 - City Context
 - Campus Safety
 - Hallowed Places



Measures of Success

Proven Function

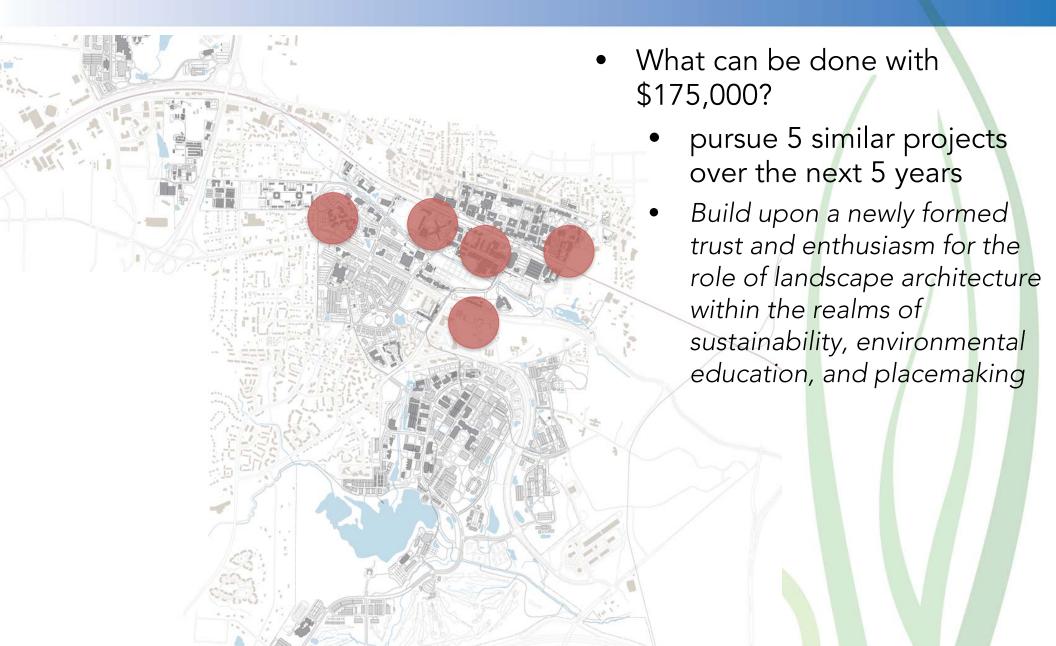
 garden has infiltrated every storm event since its completion

Client Satisfaction

 The client has guaranteed \$175,000 to support 5 more years of service-based LID projects



Value Added – Next Steps





Celebrating Healthy Ecosystems

