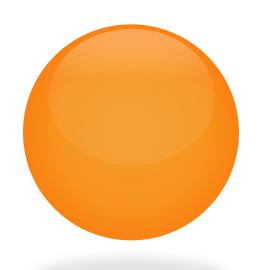
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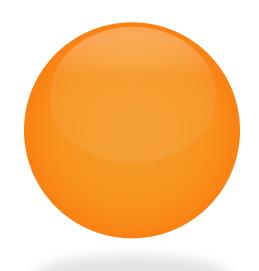


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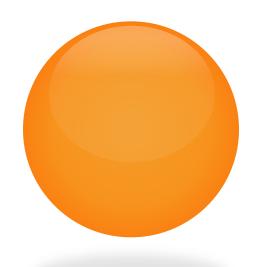
USE TEACHING PROCESSES THAT CAN EVOLVE AND ENCOURAGE STUDENTS TO BE POSITIVE CHANGE AGENTS.

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# TECHNIQUES: INCORPORATE DIVERSITY AND WORKPLACE READINESS EVERYWHERE

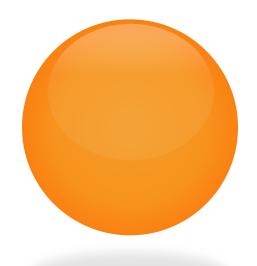
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# TECHNIQUE: BLEND LEARNING STYLES: COGNITIVE, AFFECTIVE & EXPERIENTIAL TO BETTER REACH ALL

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#### ASSESSMENT: SEEK PROOF OF STUDENT LEARNING

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# Critical thinking assessment

- Rubrics that result in essay artifacts that demonstrate student knowledge of process.
- Worksheets that show teams in process.
- Test questions that identify individual strengths and challenges.
- Exit survey questions that identify personal and professional topics of value-which can inform future teaching.

# Syllabus-HORT 3080 CT<sup>2</sup>

HORT 3080 CT<sup>2</sup> Sustainable Landscape Garden [2019] Design, Installation, & Maintenance

#### Sustainable Sites:

Holly Owings, MLA

Watt Center Green Roof



Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center



http://earthdesignsc.com/about/staff/

Photos by Ellen Vincent

Critical Thinking:

Judge Ricardo Urbina Dr. Frank Fear





David Brooks



Author Chamamanda, N. Adichi



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#### **Critical Thinking Student Learning Outcomes**

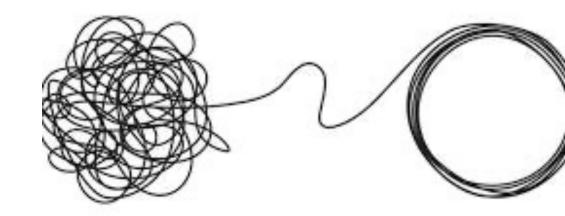
- (1) Explore complex challenges associated with sustainable landscape design, installation and maintenance.
- (2) Analyze sustainable design problems using multiple lenses and perspectives.
- (3) Extrapolate from one conceptual context to others in the sustainable landscape.
- (4) Develop creative solutions to complex challenges.
- (5) Communicate complex ideas effectively.

This class is a Clemson Thinks2 (CT2) seminar –developed to increase and enhance your critical thinking skills

#### Introducing/defining complicated topics

- Critical Thinking
- Sustainability
- Diversity

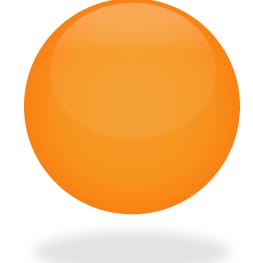
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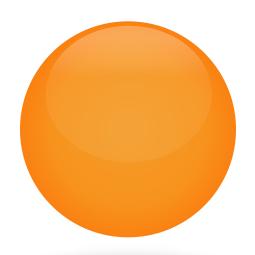
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# CRITICAL THINKING IS AN ANCIENT RICH CONCEPT

The practice and concepts are 2500 years old.

#### **HISTORY**



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http://openmindspace.org/CriticalThinking

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#### **Socrates**

- Socrates 469–399 B.C.E., lived in Athens, Greece
- He never wrote anything. But Plato did.
- He was ugly, really ugly.
- He liked to talk and ask questions.
- He acknowledged women as teachers.
- Young people started to ask questions too.
- He was sentenced to death for irreverence to the gods and killed by drinking hemlock (Conium maculatum).





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#### Socratic method

- Father of philosophy.
- Questions were asked to determine logic, ethics, fairness, and constancy.
- Inspired the scientific method (develop a hypothesis and then investigate validity.)



http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Socrates
https://plato.stanform.edu/entries/socrates/

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# Socratic principle--Linda Elder



Dr. Linda Elder, President Foundation for Critical Thinking; CA

THEY EMBODY THE SOCRATIC PRINCIPLE: THE UNEXAMINED LIFE IS NOT WORTH LIVING, BECAUSE THEY REALIZE THAT MANY UNEXAMINED LIVES TOGETHER RESULT IN AN UNCRITICAL, UNJUST, DANGEROUS WORLD. (ELDER BIOGRAPHY)

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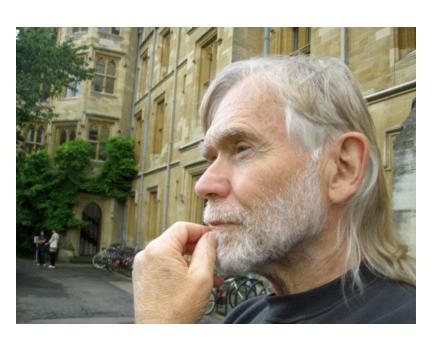
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# LINDA ELDER, PH.D. EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGIST AUTHOR AND TEACHER OF CRITICAL THINKING

Career began in Memphis, TN with underprivileged youth

President of the Foundation for Critical Thinking and Executive Director of the Center for Critical Thinking

https://www.criticalthinking.org/



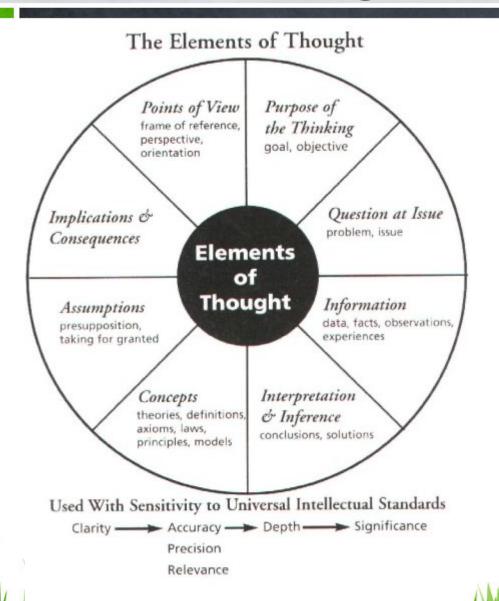
(1937-2015)

#### RICHARD PAUL, PH.D. AWARD WINNING AUTHOR AND TEACHER OF CRITICAL **THINKING**

Earned 4 degrees; Director of Research and Professional Development at the Center for Critical Thinking; and Chair of the National Council for Excellence in Critical Thinking; Philosophy Professor at Sonoma State University.

Authored 8 books and over 200 articles

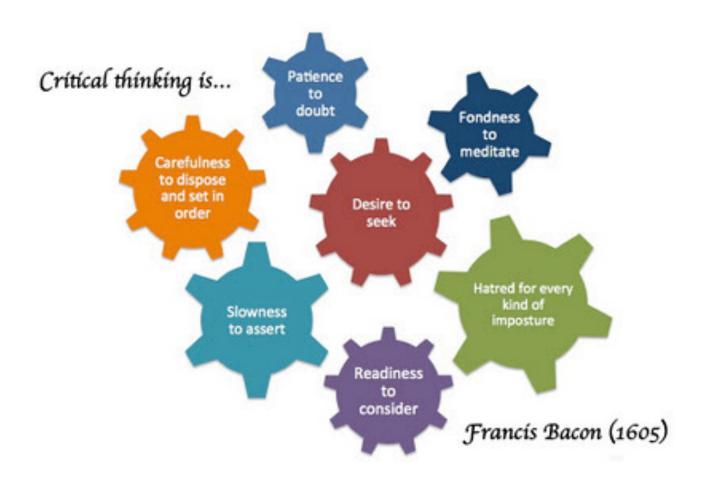
#### Critical thinking definitions



# CRITICAL THINKING WHEEL

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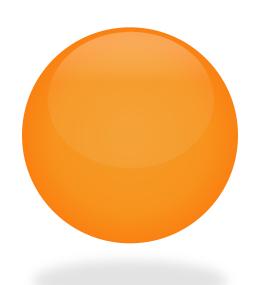
#### Critical thinking definitions-historic



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#### **Critical thinking - Richard Paul**





WE QUESTION OUR OWN PURPOSES, EVIDENCE, CONCLUSIONS, IMPLICATIONS AND POINT OF VIEW WITH THE SAME VIGOR AS WE QUESTION THOSE OF OTHERS.

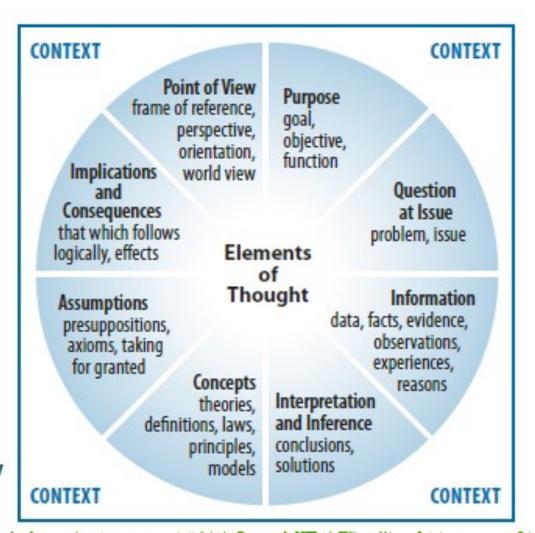
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### **Richard Paul-The Elements of Reasoning**

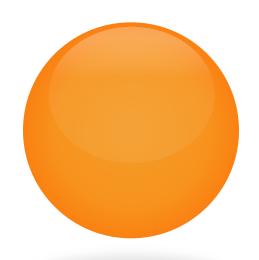
#### Thinking, then:

- generates purposes
- raises questions
- uses information
- utilizes concepts
- makes inferences
- makes assumptions
- generates implications
- embodies a point of view



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# CRITICAL THINKING IS AN INTELLECTUALLY DISCIPLINED PROCESS

http://criticalthinking.org/pages/defining-criticalthinking/766

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#### **Critical thinking**

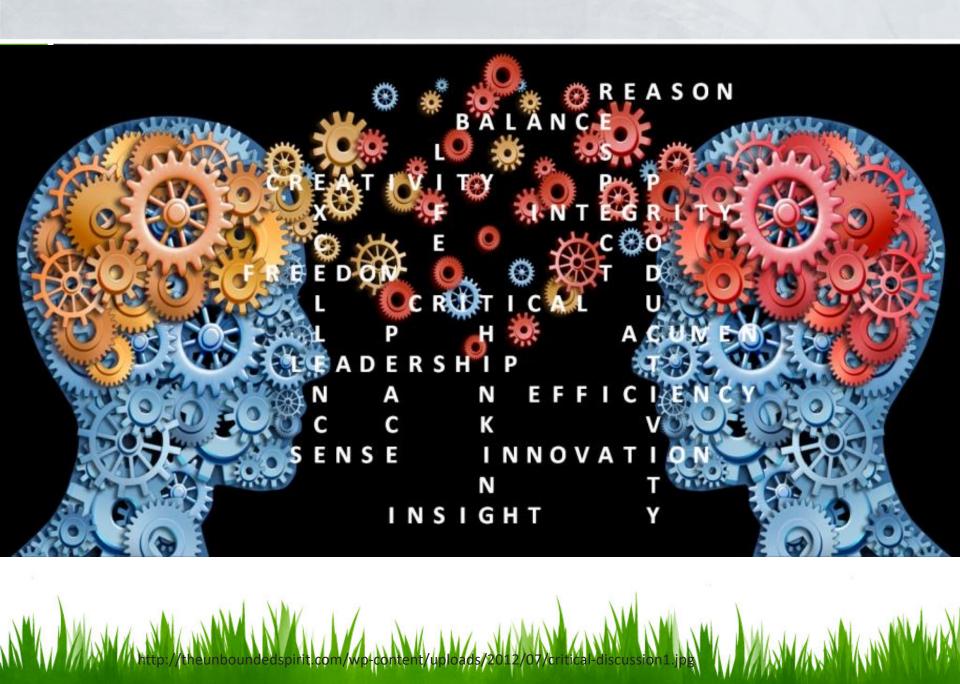
- Critical thinking happens when we think about how we think... we track our own thoughts and decision making processes (Vincent, 2013).
- Critical thinking...the
   awakening of the intellect to
   the study of itself (Scriven & Paul,
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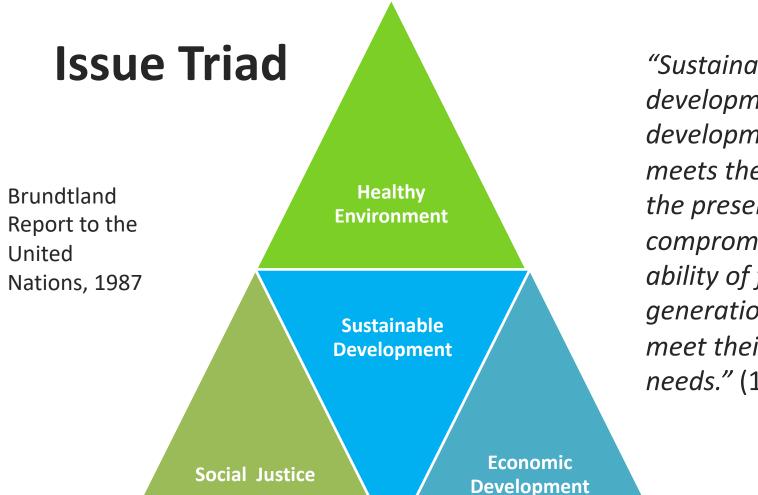




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#### Sustainability defined-historic



"Sustainable development is development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs." (1987, p. 8).

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#### **Gro Harlan Brundtland (b. 1939)**

- Norwegian Minister for Environmental Affairs (1974-1979)
- Prime Minister of Norway (Feb –Oct 1981, May 1986-Oct 1989)
- Chair of United Nations World
   Commission on Environment and
   Development, published Our Common
   Future (April, 1987) aka The Brundtland
   Report
- Commissioners: 22 people 21 countries

Amazon prices: \$24.95 new





#### Sustainability defined-contemporary

"Sustainability is defined as design, construction, operations and maintenance practices that meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs" (2009, p. 5).

Certification development authors: ASLA United States Botanic Garden Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center/University of Texas at Austin

Design

**Sustainability** 

Construction

Operations & Maintenance

The Case for Sustainable Sites, 2009, p. 5

Sustainable Sites Initiative (2009). The case for sustainable landscapes

#### Sustainability: Modern definition creators, 2009

#### THE SUSTAINABLE SITES INITIATIVE

www.sustainablesites.org/







- http://asla.org/
- http://www.wildflower.org/
- http://www.usbg.gov/



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# Sustainability evolved-contemporary

# 2015-Sustainable SITES Initiative SITES® is produced by Green Building Certification Inc. (GBCI)

**SITES v2** includes **18 prerequisites and 48 credits** for measuring site sustainability. To achieve certification, projects can earn a total of up to 200 points at the **Certified, Silver, Gold or Platinum** levels.

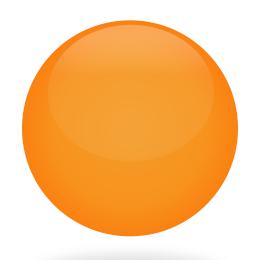
The rating system is divided into 10 sections, which cover **site context, design and construction**, **operations**, **maintenance**, **education and innovation**.

These strategies cover both **predesign and construction activities** and are tied together through an integrative process.

Program is designed to evolve over time.

# Sustainable SITES

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#### **DIVERSITY: DEFINED/INTRODUCED**

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International, National, Local

### What is diversity?

The <u>condition</u> or <u>fact</u> of being different or varied; <u>variety</u>:

- a <u>wide</u> diversity of <u>opinion/ideas</u>
- genetic/biological diversity

The <u>fact</u> of many different <u>types</u> of things or <u>people</u> being <u>included</u> in something; a <u>range</u> of different things or <u>people</u>

Definition of "diversity" from the <u>Cambridge Business English</u> <u>Dictionary</u> © Cambridge University Press

https://dictionary.cambridge.org/us/dictionary/english/diversity

## What is diversity?

 Individual differences (e.g., personality, prior knowledge, and life experiences) and group/social differences (e.g., race/ethnicity, class, gender, sexual orientation, country of origin, and ability as well as cultural, political, religious, or other affiliations). AACU



Association of American Colleges and Universities

Moryah Jackson FLC: Diversity email 3/25/2019 Moryah Jackson, Former Clemson Director of Diversity Education Office of Diversity & Inclusion

#### **Progress-FLC**



"Remember, inclusion and equity is not instantaneous, nor is it easy. It is a progression of small, medium and large advancements that incrementally improve culture and understanding."

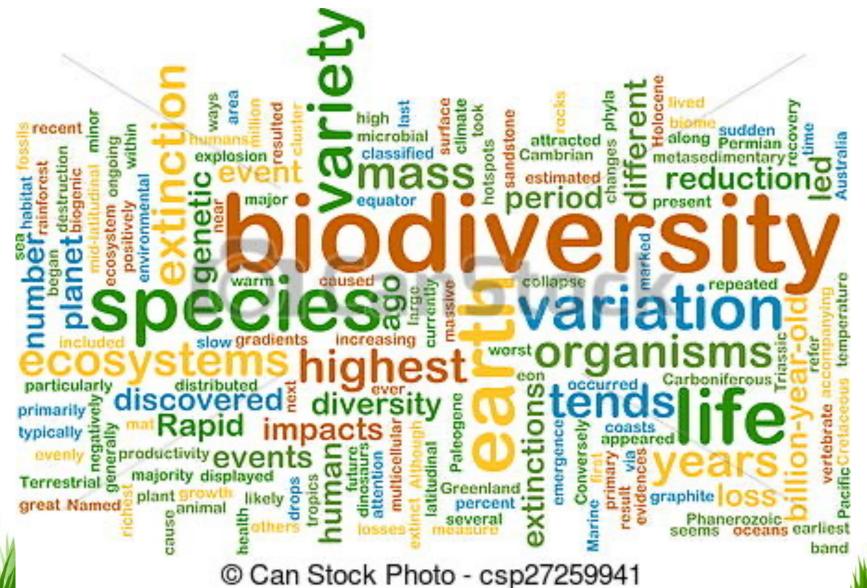
--Moryah Jackson

Director, Diversity Education, email 5/21/2019

# What is diversity?



# What is diversity?



#### **France**

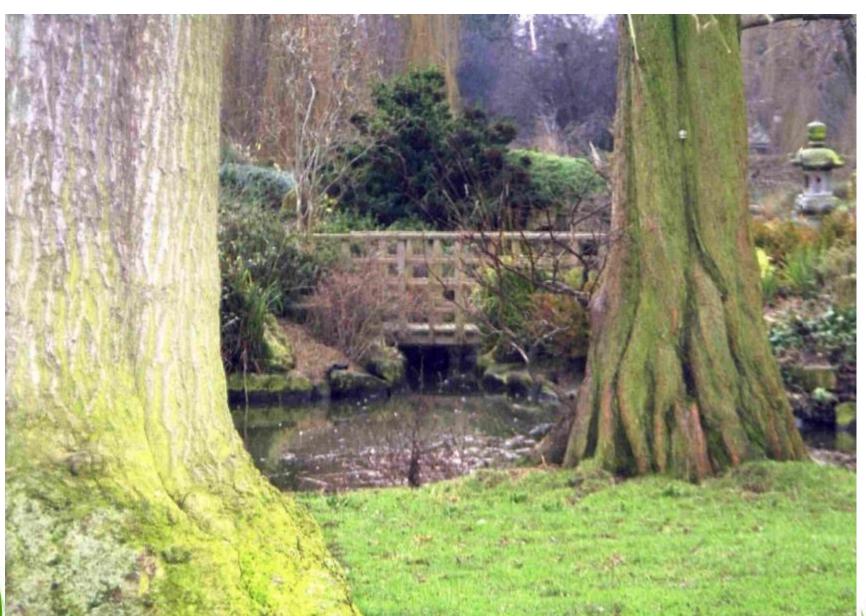


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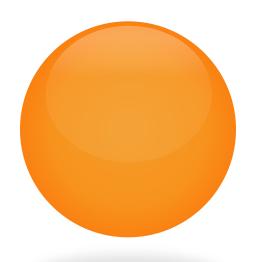


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# **Group Work & Critical Thinking**

	Group Work Problem	Solution
	Students claim others don't contribute.	Conduct group work (not assignments) in class.
	Some students feel they need to do all the work to ensure they will attain a high grade.	Offer professional communication strategies (engagement, dialogue and positive psychology) for them to try out in small groups in class.
	Critical Thinking Problem	Solution
		Provide multiple definitions: historic and contemporary;global and local; introduce real people; questions; embrace messiness
1	Relevancy	Use <b>subject specific</b> problems and outcomes; relate to <b>workplace</b> problem solving



# CREATING INTERDISCIPLINARY TEAMS IN THE CLASSROOM

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## Tool: Form mixed major teams

- Form interdisciplinary teams by mixing majors
  - Sort by major, shuffle cards, student rep from various majors select cards for team in full view, no personal names visible



### **Tool: Group exercises**

- Provide clipboards and worksheets to professionalize the experience
- Worksheets contain space for name and major



### **Tool: Group exercises**

#### Group exercise: Sustainable Communications | HORT

Name	Major
1	Architecture
2	Hort
3	Civil Engineering
4	LAKC

State a claim (clear and obvious) made by authors (like a hypothesis) about engagement and/or dialogue:

In order for a group to be successful every member must be included and energetically engaged, through maintenence and facilitation

Validity checks (search for truth) using three methods/sources:

1-Experiential (personal or others)

Multi- or interdisciplinary work with conflicting or multiple opinions. (e.g. lab work, architecture projects)

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2-Authoritative (professors, .gov; .edu; non-profit organizations)

A contractor who has to deal with and help converge ideas from a number of different professions on a daily basis.

3-Disciplined (peer reviewed lit, published surveys and experiments)

Published peer reviewed article on the subject of communication and engagement.

#### Alternate views/perspectives

Identify people or organizations who may disagree with the claim. State the source of the view.

- · A CEO who wants to have the final say on decisions, despite other opinions
- · Control Priented people in positions of power
- · A tenured professor who doesn't have Intellectual humility

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Name	Major . ^	Name	Major
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2	LA	4	Hort

Viewpoint from your discipline

Beliefs/claims (clear and obvious) of authors (like a hypothesis):

Be mindful of design process in working with other disciplines.

Methods/sources for checking validity

Experiential (personal or others):

How we feel and know about the claim through our own LA and design experience.

Authoritative (professors, .gov; .edu; non-profit organizations):

Ask professors about personal - specience working wo. collaboration/local consultants | viewpoints from books

Disciplined (peer reviewed lit, published surveys and experiments):

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collaboration/local consultants / Viewpoints from books
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**Multiple views:** Perspectives (your own or imagined others) that do not support your claim. State the source of the view.



Prestigious design artists in different states or countries.

they have been so highly regarded, they have "faith" in their design and don't plan to look and lister to obtainly sources.

Use reverse side if needed

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### **Group Work: Oral presentations**

- Workplace readiness: Needed for successful professional team and client communications
- Techniques:
  - Stand up and address the whole room visually and verbally
  - Respectfully share the team perspective
  - Refer to team members by name and major

### **Rubric: Oral presentation**

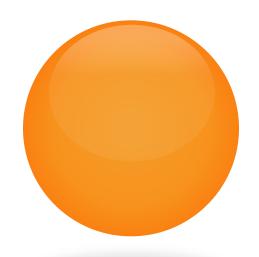
### Group oral presenting: Grading rubric | HORT

Grading rubric 100 points total

	Item: Group content	Points earned
ıt	Presenter represents the entire group	50
Content		
<b>6</b>	-Converging and differing views are respectfully represented. People's names or	
Ö	majors should be used when possible.	
	Professional group presenters	
	Presenter stands and addresses the audience in the room (not the clipboard or table top)	30
Fechnique	Presenter calls on team members when necessary to explain or add information	20
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	Total	100







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# WHY USE INTERDISCIPLINARY WORK GROUPS IN THE CLASSROOM?

To contribute to positive solutions in the workplace and world

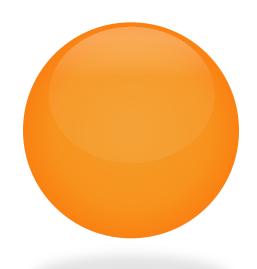
### **Shared leadership**

Nelson Mandela convenes The Elders in 2007 (July 18)



http://desertpeace.files.wordpress.com/2009/ 09/the\_elders.jpg

https://theelders.org/nelson-mandela



#### **INTELLECTUAL TRAITS**

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#### **Intellectual Traits**

### **Benefits:**

- Allows for reflection and experimentation within interdisciplinary groups
- Socratic questioning moves from knowing it all to exploration and discovery
- Short answer test questions show personal and professional value

### Critical thinking intellectual traits

- Intellectual humility
- Intellectual autonomy
- Intellectual integrity
- Intellectual courage
- Intellectual empathy
- Intellectual perseverance
- Confidence in reason
- Fairmindedness





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# Test 3 Q#49 student response

Which intellectual trait are you becoming stronger at using or recognizing this semester? Identify and explain.

• "Fairmindedness. Prior to this class, I would sometimes see another person's viewpoint that was completely different than mine and then look down upon them for thinking a different way. After being in this class this semester, I have truly begun to look at other people's viewpoints as a way of understanding them better. It has truly shown me that everyone is different and experiences different things, which then leads to different viewpoints."

### Test 3 Q#49 student response

Which intellectual trait are you becoming stronger at using or recognizing this semester? Identify and explain.

• "Intellectual empathy. Having worked in the role of a service provider for the last six or seven months has really granted me a new lens from both sides of the counter. I realize that I can never really understand what other people are going through so there's no good reason for me to stress them out more. Understanding what other people have issues with and doing what I can to mitigate those issues is one of my favorite aspects of working with customers."



### Test 3 Q#50 student response

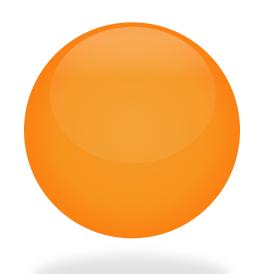
# Which intellectual trait do you wish to learn more about and practice?

- "I would like to learn more about intellectual perseverance to learn how to stay true to what I know during difficult times and hardships. I will definitely face more hardships during my life and would love to learn how to remain intellectually strong during these."
- "Intellectual humility having an awareness of the limits of one's knowledge, egocentricism and/or bias."

### Test 3 Q#50 student response

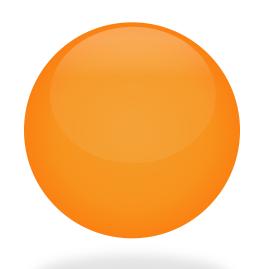
# Which intellectual trait do you wish to learn more about and practice?

• "Intellectual courage. I have always had a hard time expressing my personal claims/intellectual views on something due to fear of rejection or doubt. After taking this class and doing so many critical thinking activities, I believe that the confidence to speak out on things has improved in me."



#### **WRITING EXERCISES**

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#### CT<sup>2</sup> VISUAL REFLECTION ESSAY

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### **CT2 Visual Reflection Essay**

# New knowledge + reflection/past experience = actions

I. Cognitive: New knowledge

II. Affective: Reflection/past experience

III.Experiential: Resulting personal actions

Diversity: Alternate view (assessment measure);

Photo (self expression; adds art to text)

### **Critical Thinking Visual Essay Items**

- 1. Identify a claim/belief/assumption from the readings or class that you personally connect with.
- 2. Investigate the validity of the claim/belief/assumption.
- 3. Explore or look at the issue using multiple viewpoints.
- 4. Reflect from your past and tell the story.
- 5. Conclude with personal informed actions.
- 6. Add an image that supports your search.
- 7. Cite the image.

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**Points** 

#### Critical Thinking Protocol in Visual Essay

Critical Thinking Essay Item

Grading rubric: 100 points total

Each essay should contain a header that includes: Name; Class title; Date; CT2 Visual Essay
Save the essay with your last name and the essay # in the saved file name: e.g. Vincent\_CT2 essay1

	Critical Ininking Essay Item	Points
	Identify a claim/belief/assumption from class or readings that you personally connect with:	10
•	Identify and clearly state a specific claim/belief/assumption that you perceive. Include the source(s) you are using in the text. Do not use quotes-use your own words.	
	Investigate the validity of the claim/belief/ assumption:	20
	How can you check the author's claim/belief/assumption for accuracy and validity? Be specific and use a minimum of two methods to determine the legitimacy of the author's claims.  Experiential (personal experience); authoritative voices (professors, .gov, .edu sites); disciplined (peer reviewed literature; surveys; fact checks; repetition of experiments, etc.)	
	Explore alternate possibilities/conclusions using multiple viewpoints:  What other possible perspectives, explanations, or interpretations can you suggest for a deeper understanding of the claim/belief/assumption? State the source of the view.	10
	Reflection from your past:	10
	Using your own personal experiences share a story from your past that was triggered by the	











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Reflection from your past:	10
Using your own personal experiences share a story from your past that was triggered by the	
claim/belief/assumption. Make it vivid so the reader feels as though they were there with you.	
Concluding personal informed actions:	10
What informed action can you take in your daily life as a result of your critical analysis? Sit	
back and think about your critical examination of this topicWhat has changed (if anything)?	
"I now plan to" or -What will you do now and why? Use "I" in this concluding section.	
Sample: "As a result I will" or "From now on I intend to"	
Image: Tells the story of your search all by itself	20
Image is correctly cited to source	20
TOTAL	100
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<sup>\*</sup>Additional points may be lost for poor spelling and grammar or lack of header.

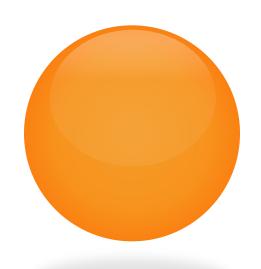
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# TEST QUESTION RESPONSES FOR SUBJECT BASED STUDENT LEARNING

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# Q#46: What place/location featured or mentioned in class would you most like to visit?

Place to Visit	
Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower	26
Center, Austin TX	
Sierra Nevada Brewing Company, NC	8
SC Botanical Garden	2
Gardens of Versailles, France	1
Nigeria	1
Longwood Gardens, PA	1

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# Q#47: Which author, presenter, or person featured in this class would you most like to meet in person?

Person to Meet	
Susannah Horton, City of Asheville	16
Andrea Amaya-DeLong, Austin, TX	11
Lady Bird Johnson	2
Dr. Sarah White	2
Chimomanda Ndozi Adichi	1
Kaleigh Leasure	1

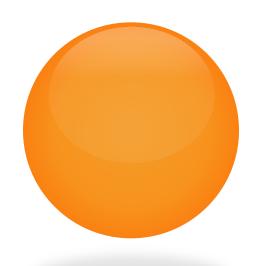
# Q#48 Which intellectual trait have you seen becoming stronger at using or recognizing this semester?

Intellectual Traits-Strong	
Intellectual humility	14
Intellectual empathy	7
Fairmindedness	4
Intellectual perserverance	4
Intellectual courage	3
Intellectual integrity	2

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# #49: Which intellectual trait do you wish to learn more about and eventually practice?

Intellectual courage	9
Intellectual integrity	5
Intellectual perseverance	5
Confidence in reason	4
Fairmindedness	4
Intellectual empathy	3
Intellectual humility	2
Intellectual autonomy	2



### **EXIT SURVEY RESPONSES**

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### Exit survey student responses

# What one belief/thought has changed or altered as a result of taking this class?

- "Listen to other people because they have opinions that matter." FORESTRY
- "Being open to listen and plan with the landscape maintenance team during the planning stages." HORTICULTURE
- "That all majors and disciplines are capable of working in a group and learning from each other." ANTHROPOLOGY

### What one belief/thought has changed or altered as a result of taking this class?

- "I have become more open to others' opposing viewpoints on controversial topics."
   AGRICULTURE EDUCATION
- "I learned to be open-minded. I have learned to look at things from a different perspective than just my own. There are 2 or more sides to every story." TURFGRASS

What one belief/thought has changed or altered as a result of taking this class?

 "I now use empathy when listening to other people's viewpoints. I now look at a person's viewpoint with a better understanding of how they feel about an issue." HORTICULTURE



# What one belief/thought has changed or altered as a result of taking this class?

- "That I need to [take] into account other peoples thoughts and feelings more."
   TURFGRASS
- "I take working in groups [to be] more intriguing and helpful. I get to see how others think." HORTICULTURE

What one practice/behavior has changed or altered for you as a result of taking this class?

- "The ability to think from more than one perspective." AGRICULTURAL MECHANIZATION
- "I am a better critical thinker because of my ability to listen and fair mindedness I learned from this class." AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION

# What one practice/behavior has changed or altered for you as a result of taking this class?

- "Working in interdisciplinary groups is a relatively new concept for me. Throughout this class my openness to other viewpoints has changed during the duration of this class." ARCHITECTURE
- "Working in groups and being fair minded with everybody." HORTICULTURE

What one practice/behavior has changed or altered for you as a result of taking this class?

- "The ability to collaborate with multiple disciplines." ARCHITECTURE
- "Group work" MARKETING/MGT
- "I will listen to everyone's opinions with a more open mind." AG EDUCATION

### **HORT 3080 Exit Survey 2023**

### Personal and Professional Perceived Benefits and Value

Direct quotes taken - spelling errors not corrected

• **Summary:** 32 of 36 (89%) of students completed the Exit Survey/Questionnaire. Common themes covered include sustainability, critical thinking, group work, oral presentations, and plant design.



### **Exit Survey-2023 Personal Perceived Benefit**

### What one belief/thought has changed or altered for you as a result of taking this class?

- "I now look deeper into things, such as confirming information I obtain by using multiple sources, rather than just taking what one source says as fact."
- "The idea that even if you don't agree with someone you should still always hear them out."
- "Economic development and nature can coexist."

#### **Exit Survey-2023 Personal Perceived Benefit**

### What one belief/thought has changed or altered for you as a result of taking this class?

- "One belief I had is that all lawns are bad. I now know, that when implemented and managed well, they can actually be sustainable."
- "My belief in public speaking, telling myself that I cannot do it. After taking this class I feel more comfortable speaking in front of people. I had a presentation yesterday and taking your class helped me get through it. Your class made me believe in myself."

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### **Exit Survey-2023 Professional Perceived Benefit**

What skill did you acquire/experience/enhance that helps prepare you for success in the workplace as a result of taking this class?

- "Working in teams was a great help that will help in the future because it is likely that much of my work will take place in teams of multiple people, rather than just myself."
- "Critical Thinking"

### **Exit Survey-2023 Professional Perceived Benefit**

What skill did you acquire/experience/enhance that helps prepare you for success in the workplace as a result of taking this class?

- "I know how to complete meaningful plant profiles and how to find accurate information on plant species."
- "I learned lots of new skills, like taking soil samples. This will be super helpful for me as a landscape architect when I'm taking inventory of a site. I'll be able to use the data to decide what can be built or planted in a certain space."

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### **Exit Survey-2023 Professional Perceived Benefit**

What skill did you acquire/experience/enhance that helps prepare you for success in the workplace as a result of taking this class?

 "Mainly listening to others. I feel like its hard to have a successful work environment if it's run like a monarchy rather than a democracy. This class really showed the importance of collaboration and listening to what others have to say because it could open your mind a little bit and change or even reinforce your opinions."

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### Critical thinking assessment

- Rubrics that result in essay artifacts that demonstrate student knowledge of process.
- Worksheets that show teams in process.
- Test questions that identify individual strengths and challenges.
- Exit survey questions that identify personal and professional topics of value-which can inform future teaching.

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