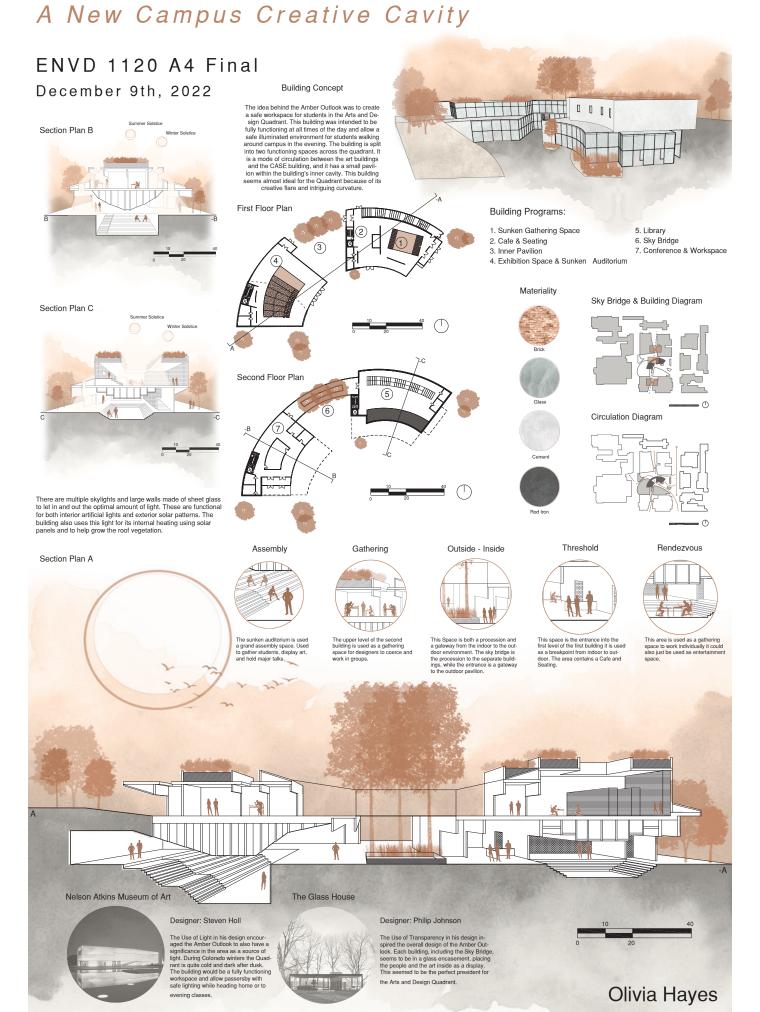
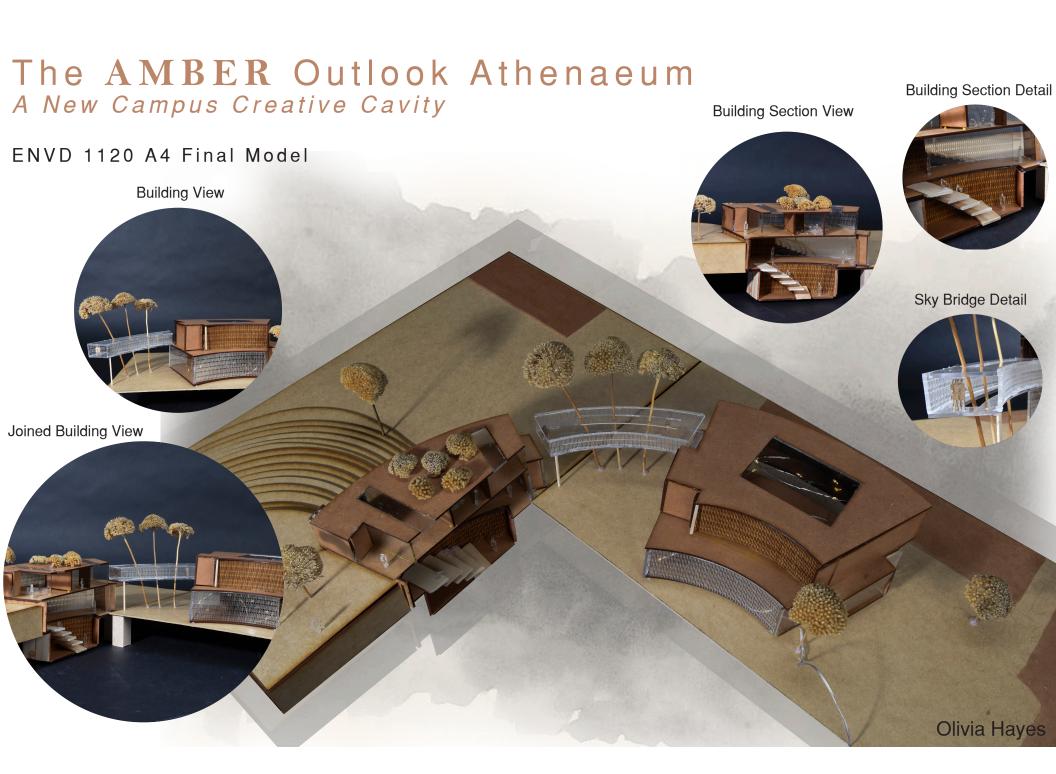
The AMBER Outlook Athenaeum





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The Design Goal:

The idea behind the Amber Outlook was to create a safe workspace for students in the Arts and Design Quadrant. This building was intended to be fully functioning at all times of the day and allow a safe illuminated environment for students walking around campus in the evening. The building is split into two functioning spaces across the quadrant. It is a mode of circulation between the art buildings and the CASE building, and it has a small pavilion within the building's inner cavity. This building seems almost ideal for the Quadrant because of its creative flare and intriguing curvature.

Inspiration:

I drew inspiration from both The Glass House, by Philip Johnson, and the Nelson Atkins Museum of Art, by Steven Holl. The Use of Transparency in Johnson's design inspired the overall use of materiality and aesthetic of the building. Each building, including the Sky Bridge, seems to be in a glass encasement, placing the people and the art inside as a display. While the use of light in Holl's design encouraged the building to have significance in the area as a source of light. This was intentional because in the winter season Colorado becomes quite cold and dark after dusk. The building would be a fully functioning workspace and allow passersby with safe lighting while heading home or to evening classes.

Buildings Major Programs:

- 1. Sunken Gathering Space
- 2. Cafe & Seating
- 3. Inner Pavilion
- 4. Exhibition Space & Sunken Auditorium
- 5. Library
- 6. Sky Bridge
- 7. Conference & Workspace

Conclusion:

While designing this building there were many new techniques and processing tool that had helped develop the overall design and concept of The Amber Outlook. It had displayed both craftsmanship and thoughtfulness towards the building itself and the site it was enhancing. The building was designed to become a functional piece of art which is a seamless way to portray the Arts and Design Quadrant and the creative designers that accompany it.