



Syracuse University School of Architecture Peer Advisors 2018-19



FOR THE CLASS OF 2023



Erik Bakken

Appleton, WI

Class of 2022



Hi! My name is Erik Bakken, and I'm a member of the class of 2022. I'm from Appleton, Wisconsin, so I'm a huge supporter of milk (I swear it's why I'm 6'6"). I chose Syracuse Architecture because of the excellent program and great experience I had visiting. I'm definitely glad I did! The studio experience (the backbone of your architecture education) here is collaborative, challenging, and fun. And, you're likely to meet great friends along the way. Apart from architecture, I am a member of an all-male acapella group on campus, Orange Appeal. So, I'm living proof that architects don't have to live in studio! Hope to see you in the fall!



Jacob Baller

Rochester, NY

Class of 2022



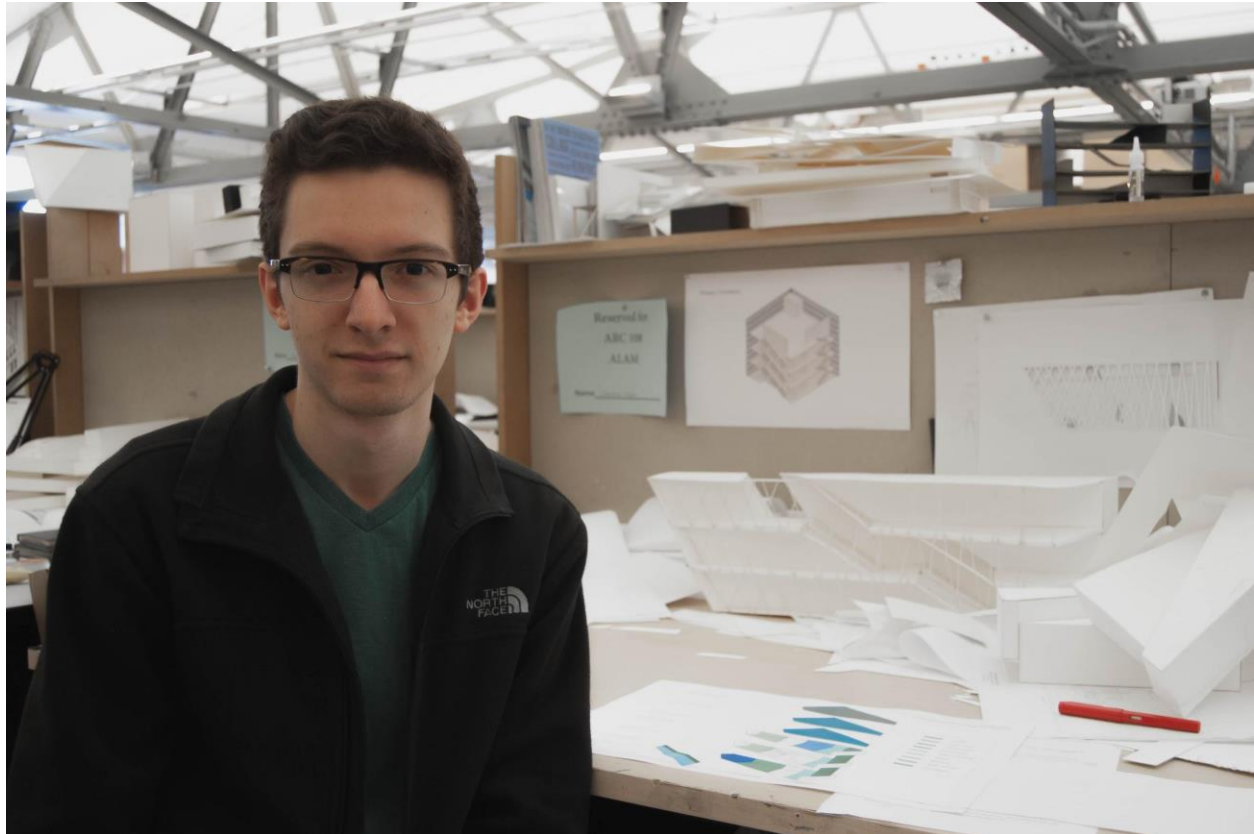
Hello! My name is Jacob Baller, and I was born and raised in Rochester, NY, which is a short drive from Syracuse and home of the Garbage Plate! If you're curious as to what a Garbage Plate is, I highly recommend looking it up, but you're not allowed to say it looks disgusting because you haven't let the delicious hot meat sauce grace your taste buds. My family is almost entirely German, and I've spent two years of my life traveling, living, and working there. Aside from Architecture school, I enjoy playing the trumpet in various groups, collecting vinyl, and people watching all the non-architecture majors throughout campus. I chose Syracuse Architecture because I have never enjoyed anything more than studio life. Despite late nights, frantic wake-up showers, and 4 a.m. vending machine runs, I wouldn't want to be in any other place. You will learn more than you ever thought you were capable of, and if you want it, you've gotta give it your all. I can't wait to meet all of you and help in any way I can in this intimidating but exciting process! Hope to see you soon!



Lawrence Boyer

Oakton, VA

Class of 2022



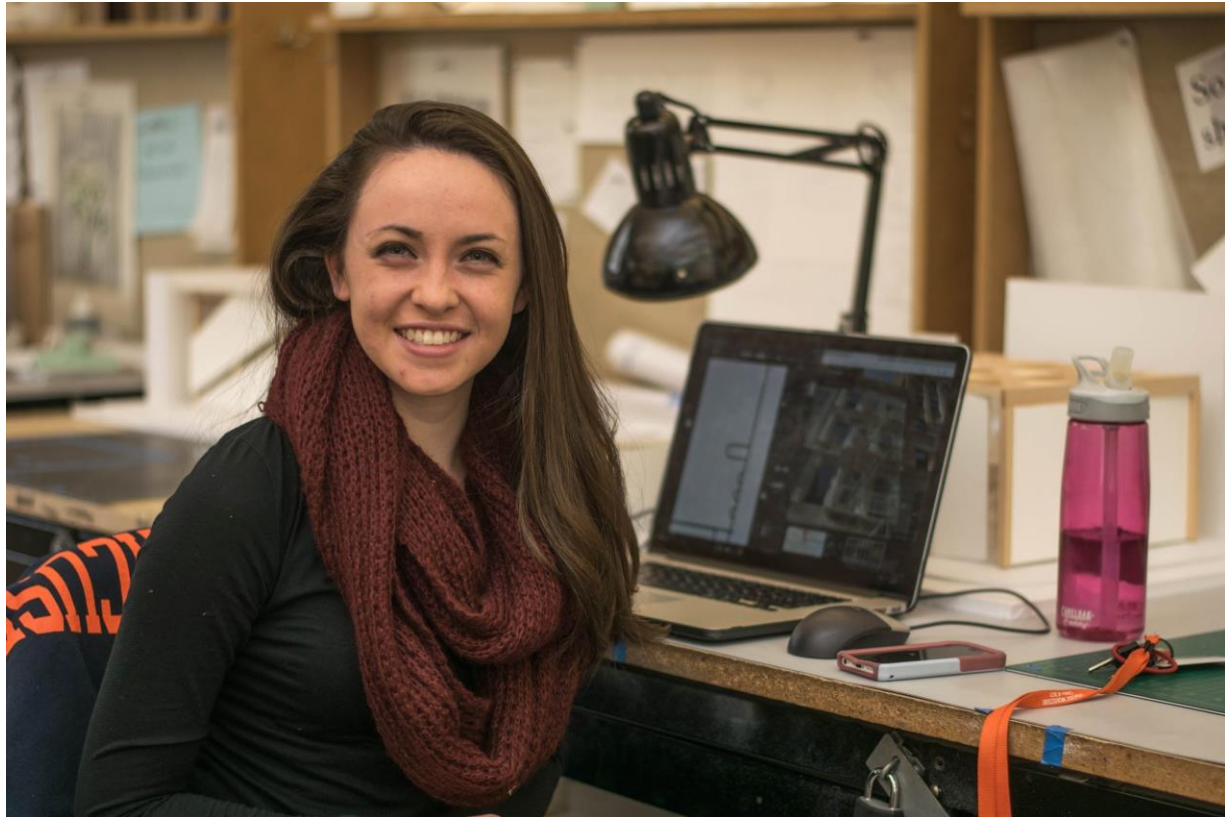
Hi, I'm Lawry, and I'm from the Virginia suburbs of Washington, D.C. I chose Syracuse because it was a great combination of large-university community, diversity, and small-program intensity that I can call home. The architecture program has been a great source of learning, friendship, community, enjoyment, and more that I couldn't begin to describe. First year has been long, but I haven't regretted one moment of it, and I've got a lot to show for it. I'm also in the Honors College and involved with the School of Music playing the cello. No matter your interests, you'll find Syracuse is a great place to explore them and find new ones.



Lindsey Brown

Franklin, TN

Class of 2021



My name is Lindsey Brown, and I am a third year at Syracuse and serving this year as a Legacy Coordinator to the Peer Advising Program. I am from a small historic town called Franklin (about 30 minutes South of Nashville), TN. Snacking is definitely how I survive studio. I always keep bananas from the dining hall on my desk and tons of snacks (especially candy) in my desk drawer. I chose Syracuse because I loved the studio culture. I believe that studiomates should help and support each other through peer critiques, brainstorm sessions, and simple things like helping pin up, and I think what I can learn from my peers is invaluable. Studio here is definitely where I formed some of my strongest friendships. I have loved joining clubs, learning, and meeting people both inside and outside architecture. It is definitely difficult to adjust to college life, while also combating the learning curve of new materials, machines, and computer programs, but time management is a key factor in balancing everything you want to do. First year is not easy, but I made a ton of friends and great memories. As advisors, we are there for each other not only for the first years but also throughout the program.

Aaron Cass

Rochester, NY

Class of 2021



I'm Aaron Cass, and I am a part of class of 2021. I come from Rochester, NY which is about an hour away from here. I'm 27 (the 2nd oldest student in all of Slocum) and married to my beautiful wife, who goes to our sister school, SUNY ESF. Beyond wanting to go to school with my wife, I chose SUSOA because of the warm and cooperative atmosphere of the students and faculty and the many recommendations from other architects and professors. From the perspective of a veteran, I came from a world where camaraderie and teamwork are essential in your day to day life. Without a doubt, I have felt more camaraderie from my peers here at SUSOA than I ever felt in 4 years with the military. This is a place where you don't have to go at it alone. I, along with the other peer advisors, look forward to welcoming you to Syracuse University and Slocum Hall!



[Cameron Chahanovich](#) (Coordinator)

Dayville, CT

Class of 2022



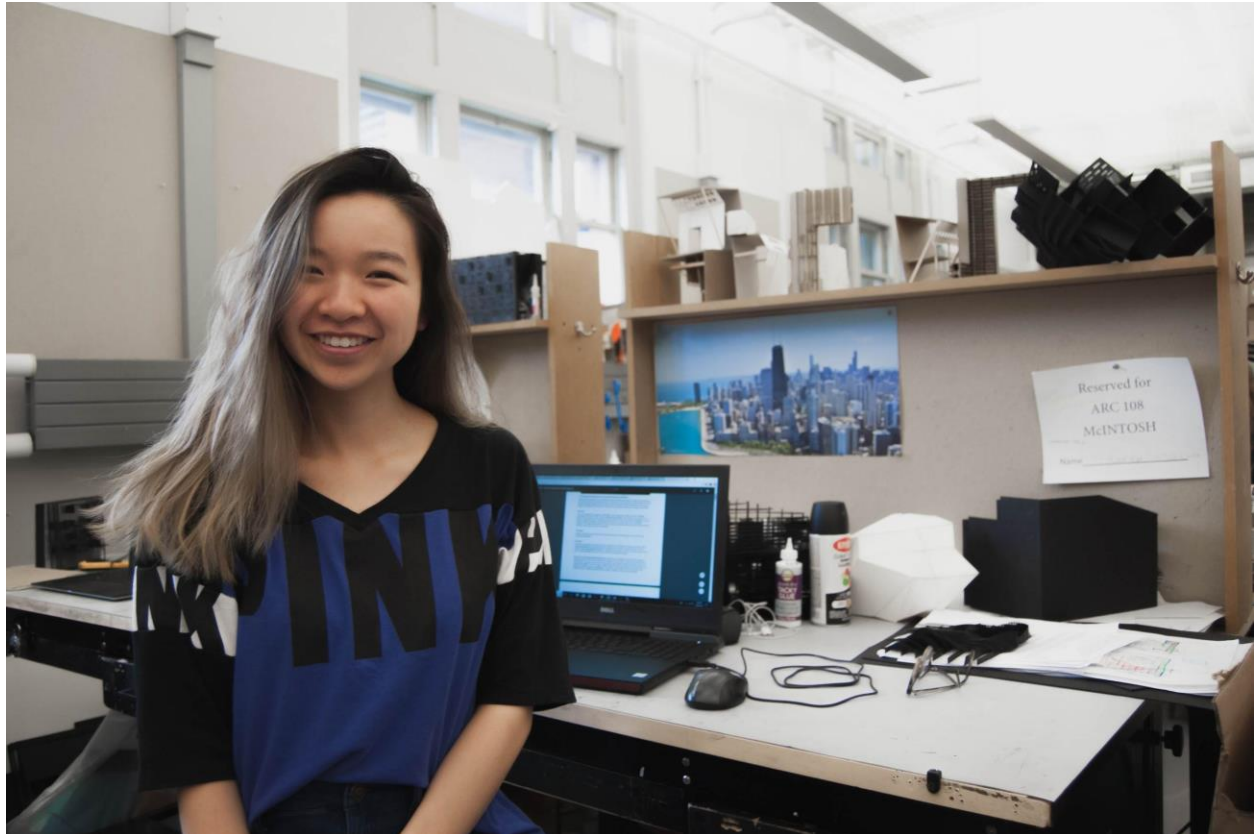
Hi, Class of 2023! My name is Cameron, and I am a second year from a small town in eastern Connecticut. I chose to come here, not only because of the amazing program, but also because this university has a welcoming atmosphere unlike any other. Being part of the architecture program has been the best experience of my life, and I think it will be the same for all of you! I adjusted to the school within the first week, and now I have one big architecture family that I can happily call my friends. It is definitely a tough transition but that is why we, your peer advisors, are here to make sure you all have the best first semester of college. I have found that time management (and keeping your desk full of snacks) is key in having the best college experience. It has allowed me to become an RA, a class representative for school organizations, and your Peer Advising Coordinator! Architecture school isn't easy, but you never have to go at it alone, which is why it will be some of the best years of your life. Good luck and I can't wait to meet all of you!



Karen Chow (Coordinator)

Chicago, IL

Class of 2022



Hi, my name is Karen, and I'm your other Peer Advising Program Coordinator! If you see a girl skating around with a rainbow penny board, that'll be me. I'm born and raised in Chicago, the actual city not the suburbs. Some hobbies of mine include painting, singing, and dancing! I love all the arts, which is what led me to consider architecture (and a very wise architect cousin). I'm an only child from a lower income family. So, it was a big decision to apply anywhere out of state. I think the biggest thing that drew me to school was the amazing cohesiveness the facility and environment creates. Syracuse has definitely helped me grow my appreciation for the field. Don't worry, all the late nights will all be worth it, and we'll be here for you, as cheesy as that sounds.

Kayla Clark

Holmdel, NJ

Class of 2022



Hello! My name is Kayla Clark, and I am a second year student. I'm from Holmdel, New Jersey, which is a small suburban town near the shore in Central Jersey, yes Central Jersey does exist! I played three varsity sports in high school (basketball, field hockey, and lacrosse), and I continue to play basketball on the Syracuse club team. My family is loud, crazy, and usually a mess probably because I have three siblings, two sisters and a brother, two golden retrievers, who like to sit on each other's head (follow them on Instagram @hudson_and_shea), and two amazing mothers. Yes, you read that correctly, two mothers. I'm not going to lie to you here, I chose to study architecture on a whim. I was like well I am pretty good at art, so I'm going to check off the architecture box for my major on the common app. This impulse decision was one of the better ones I have made, and I couldn't be happier here. I have made many great friends that I know I'll have for life, all thanks to the architecture program. It was definitely a big adjustment at first and there were some late nights, but I survived and so will you.



Bryan Cordova

Levittown, NY

Class of 2021



Hey everyone! My name is Bryan Cordova, and I'm from Long Island, New York. Although I was raised here, I come from an Ecuadorian background and family. I am currently in my third year of architecture here. These past two years have gone by so fast, but I must say it has been an amazing and adventurous experience. The amount of help and support I've gotten from friends, classmates, teaching assistants, and professors really have made my passion for architecture grow. It is a challenging field you will experience soon, but it is well worth the time. I've had an amazing opportunity getting to know such a wide range of people, not only from my studio, but from outside organizations and events, too. I am currently involved in AIAS and ASO (our school clubs). Whenever I'm outside of school I like participating in intramural sports like volleyball and soccer. So, if you are ever interested in playing, let me know! I look forward to meeting you guys at orientation!



Shiori Green

Honolulu, HI

Class of 2022



Hi! My name is Shiori. I am a part of the class of 2022, and I am from Honolulu, Hawaii. I chose Syracuse because I had no experience in architecture, and I knew the school would guide me through the different techniques and skills I needed to learn. I love living in New York, and many of the professors here at Syracuse are really nice! I am currently in POSIT, (@thisisposit) the independent architecture publication (you should check it out!). Architecture can be really hard work, but it is also very rewarding! Congratulations and welcome to SU!



Jasmine Greytok

Wynnewood, PA

Class of 2022



Hi, Hello, Howdy, Congrats 2023 on being admitted to the very best architecture school (in my opinion). I'm Jasmine Greytok, I'm from the suburbs of Philadelphia, and I am the proud owner of a betta fish named Michael (pictured above) and a 14-year-old turtle named Turquoise. I'm a second year here at Syracuse School of Architecture (SSoA). I chose architecture because of my love for both math and art. I grew up building with Legos and stacking blocks and was jokingly told I'd make a great architect. Well, it's not a joke anymore. Choosing Syracuse has been one of the best decisions I have made. In my first few days, I felt incredibly welcome and at home. Even now as I enter into my second year I am just as in love with the school as I was in the beginning. While being one of the most competitive and rigorous programs in the country our school focuses on studio culture and having a strong bond between the class, grades, and professors. First year is challenging but with the support from the friends you will make, the professors you will have, and the peer advisors you are given, you will succeed. I can't wait to meet you all very soon!



Ava Helm

Hershey, PA

Class of 2022



Hey! My name is Ava, and I am in the class of 2022, a sophomore. I am from Hershey, Pennsylvania, which really is the sweetest place on earth (yes all I eat is chocolate). I chose Syracuse University since I did the summer intro to architecture program and fell in love with the school. I loved the people and atmosphere of the school, and I have loved every second of being here! If you ever need help there is always someone willing to give you a helping hand. The studio culture is amazing, we even had a studio holiday tree! I live in the Maxwell School of Citizenship Learning Community, which is all about giving back to the community. If you do have the opportunity to join a learning community, it's a great way to meet new people outside of architecture. I have a twin sister going to a small school called Oberlin in Ohio. Its weird to be seperated from family at first, but I promise it will feel like home here.



Andrea Herrada

Tampa, FL

Class of 2022



Hey there, friends! My name is Andrea Herrada, and I'm a second year here at Syracuse University, and I am from Tampa, Florida (the sunshine state). Yes, I know I'm crazy for moving to the tundra, but trust me, snow is FUN (most of the time) and change can be a good thing. I am a second generation Peruvian immigrant, and being so, I speak Spanish and visit Peru every other summer without fail. Growing up, I was sure I wanted to be a vet... until I discovered that one of the career tests was to stick your arm up a cow's butt. So... yeah, no thanks. Anyway, I've always enjoyed art and a certain aestheticism that comes with design. So, I looked into architecture, and I honestly cannot see myself doing anything else. Although I applied to many schools, after coming to Syracuse and seeing the kind of community I could be a part of (in my major and as a whole), I felt like this was the place for me to be. Studio culture, a major part of this architecture program, really benefits you in so many ways. I basically have studio to thank for how close I am with my friends. Seeing everyone collaborate, struggle, and laugh together has certainly been something I am thankful for in this program. It may get tough but always know that the person next to you is also lowkey dying of sleep deprivation.



Tota Hunter

Houston, TX

Class of 2021



Hey guys, my name is Tota Hunter, and I am in the Class of 2021. I was born and raised in Kazakhstan, lived in Chengdu, China for a couple of years, and went to high school in the Houston area. Having been to different places around the world and being surrounded by diverse people was important for me when choosing schools. In this way, Syracuse University was a great fit for me. But beyond meeting great people around the world, I love being surrounded by passionate and self-driven peers, some of which I am fortunate to call my friends. The School of Architecture, in particular, has an amazing program due to its friendly faculty, respected professors, and the rigor of the program that makes you a well-rounded person. Although, the workload can be challenging at times, the passion and support system here makes it well worth the time and effort. Congratulations and welcome to SU, I am looking forward to meeting all of you!



Ryo Ishioka

New York, NY

Class of 2022



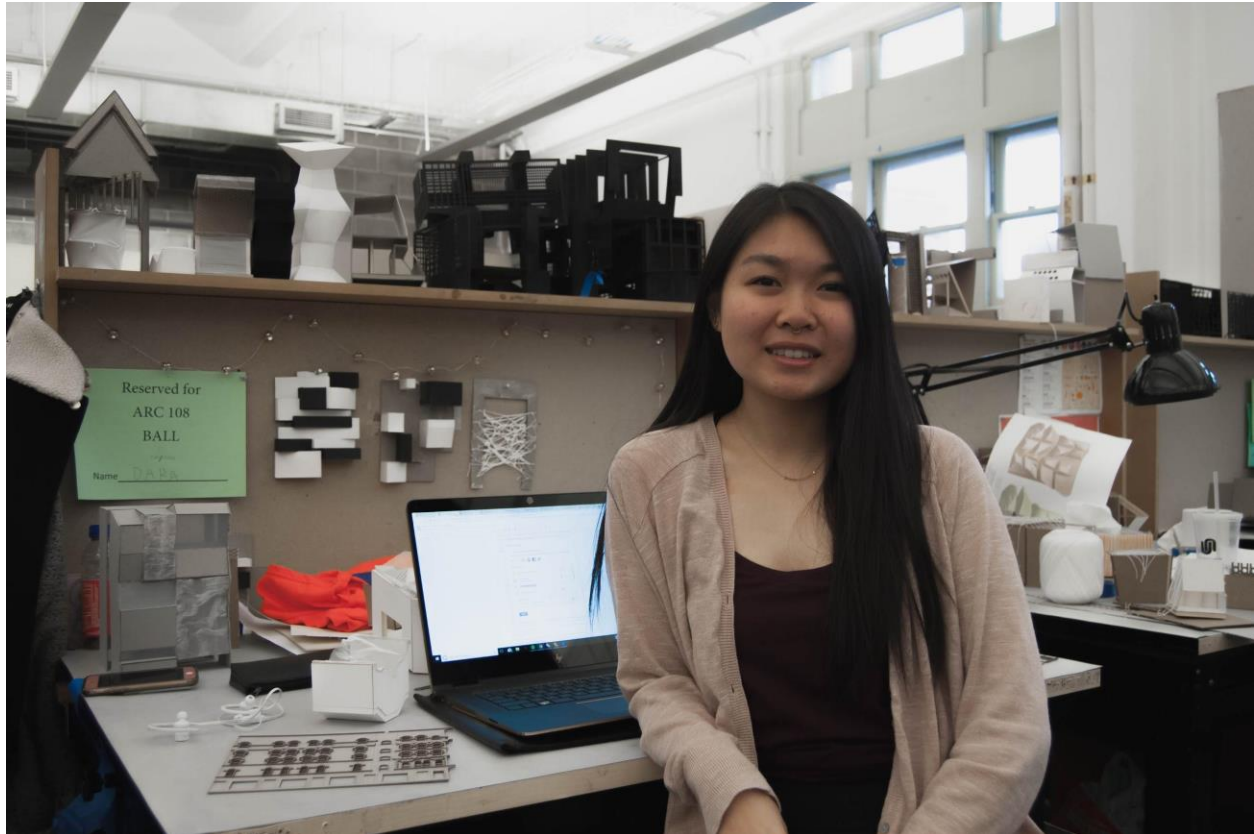
Hi, I'm Ryo and I'm a second year student. I was born and raised in Manhattan, New York, but I lived in Japan for a short period of time. Being raised around artists, musicians, and other people in the creative field, I have always aspired to do something creative and architecture was the perfect profession for me. I chose Syracuse because there was a very friendly, tight-knit environment when I visited, and it has a good, balanced curriculum in terms of design, science, and art. It was also the perfect distance from home! The campus here is very diverse, and I have made friends from all over the world. I have learned a ton in these short 7 months from drafting and cutting foam, to using Rhino (a CAD software) and adobe illustrator. It was super easy to adjust here because everyone is so friendly and eager to help, whether it be your friends, TA, or your professor. Of course, I have had many challenges and sleepless nights, but I love what I am doing here and everyone is here to help. Congratulations on getting into 'Cuse, and I hope to see you in the Fall!



Dara Jin

West Chester, PA

Class of 2022



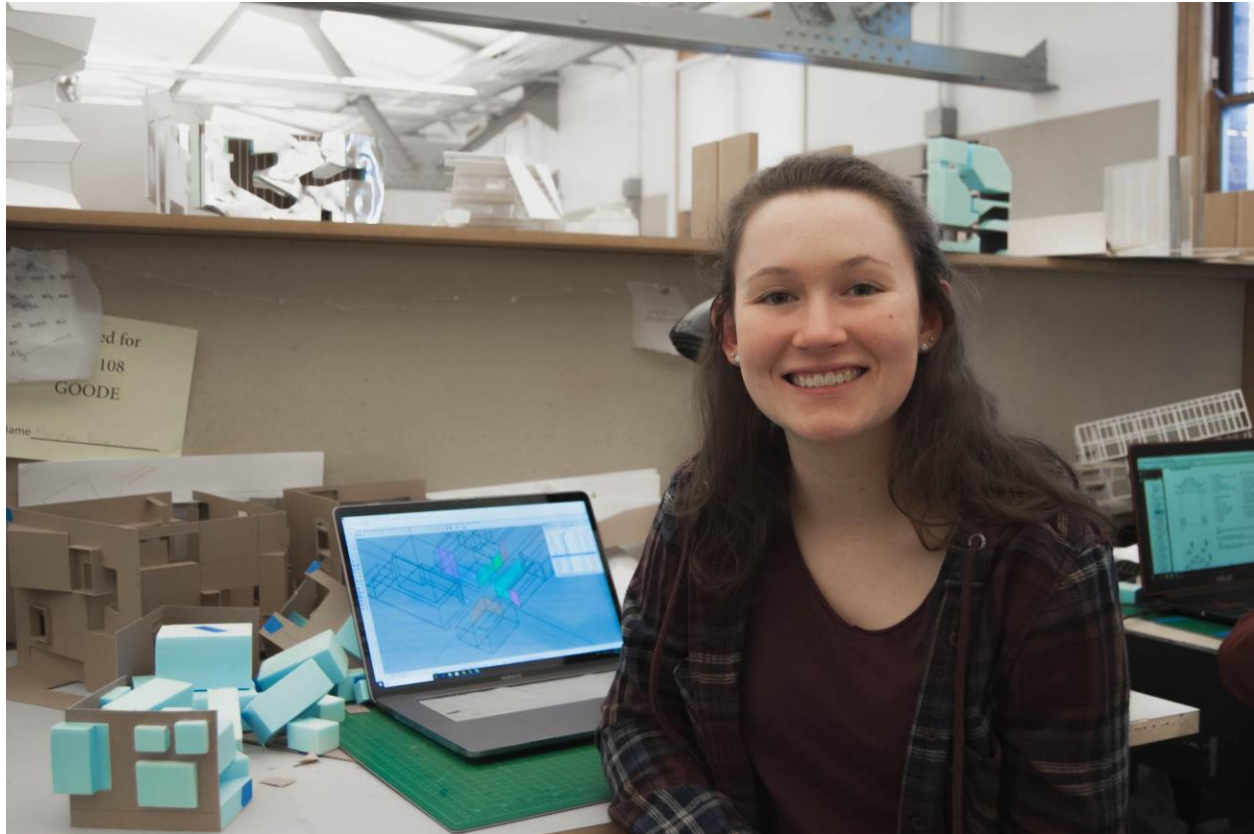
Hello, accepted students! Congrats on making it to Syracuse University School of Architecture. I know by now, you're all probably all exhausted with college applications but this is the exciting part! My name is Dara. I'm from a little town in Pennsylvania called West Chester, and I will be one of the many peer advisors who will help you transition from high school to college. Making the decision to come to Syracuse University for Architecture was probably one of the most nerve racking and exciting decisions I have ever made, so I know how you may feel right now. But I'm glad that I did it! This year has been so exciting from an academic sense and from a social stance. The community of students in Syracuse Architecture is amazing, and I've been able to meet so many new people from all over the world. Plus, I've learned more than I could have ever imagined in the span of two semesters. The program here at Syracuse is truly unique, and I look forward to seeing you with the class of 2023!



MaryKate Krege

Delmar, NY

Class of 2022



Hi! My name is MaryKate Krege, and I am in the Class of 2022! I'm from a small suburb right outside of Albany, NY. I chose to come to Syracuse because I loved the sense of community I felt within the School of Architecture, as well as the many opportunities that being at a larger university provided. I have always been interested in architecture and can't believe how much I have learned in just one year! Even though the program can be demanding at times, I have found time to participate in other things on campus. When I'm not in studio I can often be found at rehearsal for one of the many performance groups I am involved in, or just hanging with my friends! Syracuse has truly become a second home for me, and I can't imagine being anywhere else!



Maryasa Krivitskaya

Bronxville, NY

Class of 2022



My name is Maryasa Krivitskaya, and I am in the class of 2022. Although I grew up in a town called Bronxville in Westchester, NY, I was actually born in Ukraine. I wanted to be an architect since I was a little kid, but I know a lot of architecture students who decided on this major a year, or even a few months, before applying to this school. Either way, it's a great program that allows you to instantly make new friends, and it gives you a new place to call home.



Shen Phang Lim

Malaysia

Class of 2021



Hello, Class of 2023! My name is Phang, and I am a third year student in the architecture program at Syracuse University. I was born and raised in Malaysia, but have lived in cities such as Singapore and Philadelphia. I transferred to Syracuse University in 2017 from Community College of Philadelphia. Syracuse University is a great place to study architecture, and the studio work is challenging yet fun at the same time. I hope I could help to ease your transition to college, and I can't wait to see you!



Kalani Mah

Hermosa Beach, CA

Class of 2021



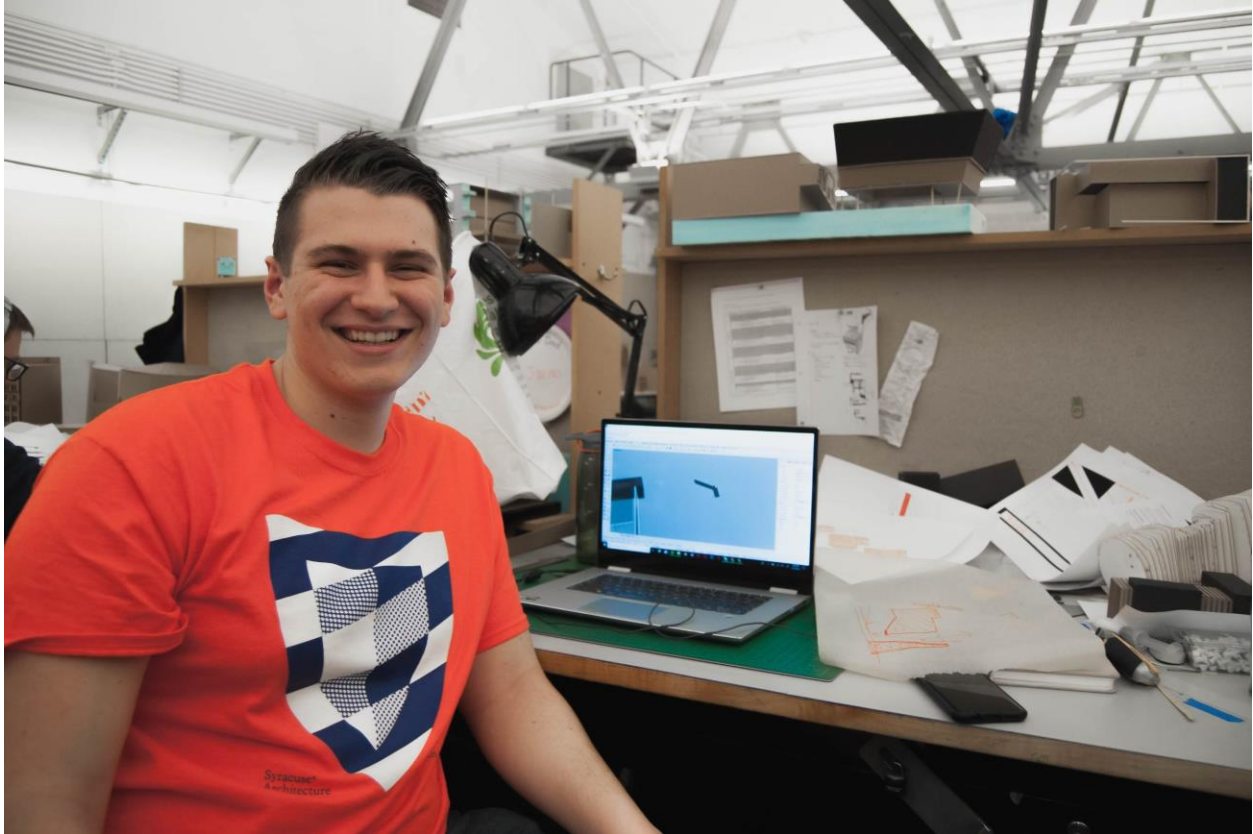
Hello! My name is Kalani Mah, and I am a third year here at the School of Architecture, and I am one of the Legacy Coordinators in the Peer Advising Program. I live in Hermosa Beach, CA, which is about 30 min from downtown LA. For high school I went to the Orange County School of the Arts and was a Production and Design major in the theatre school. I took my love for theatre design and decided to major in architecture. The School of Architecture program here has a really good balanced program that focuses on creative design but also technical skills. I also wanted to move to the east coast at some point in my life, and I felt like college was the perfect opportunity. Apart from experiencing four different seasons, I have met so many new friends that really help me become a better architecture student. One of my favorite parts about this program is the people that I have met and how friendly and eager everyone is to help. From my friends in first year to my friends in fifth year, if I ever need help on a design idea or how to use a software, someone is always there for me.



Mason Malsegna

Fairport, NY

Class of 2022



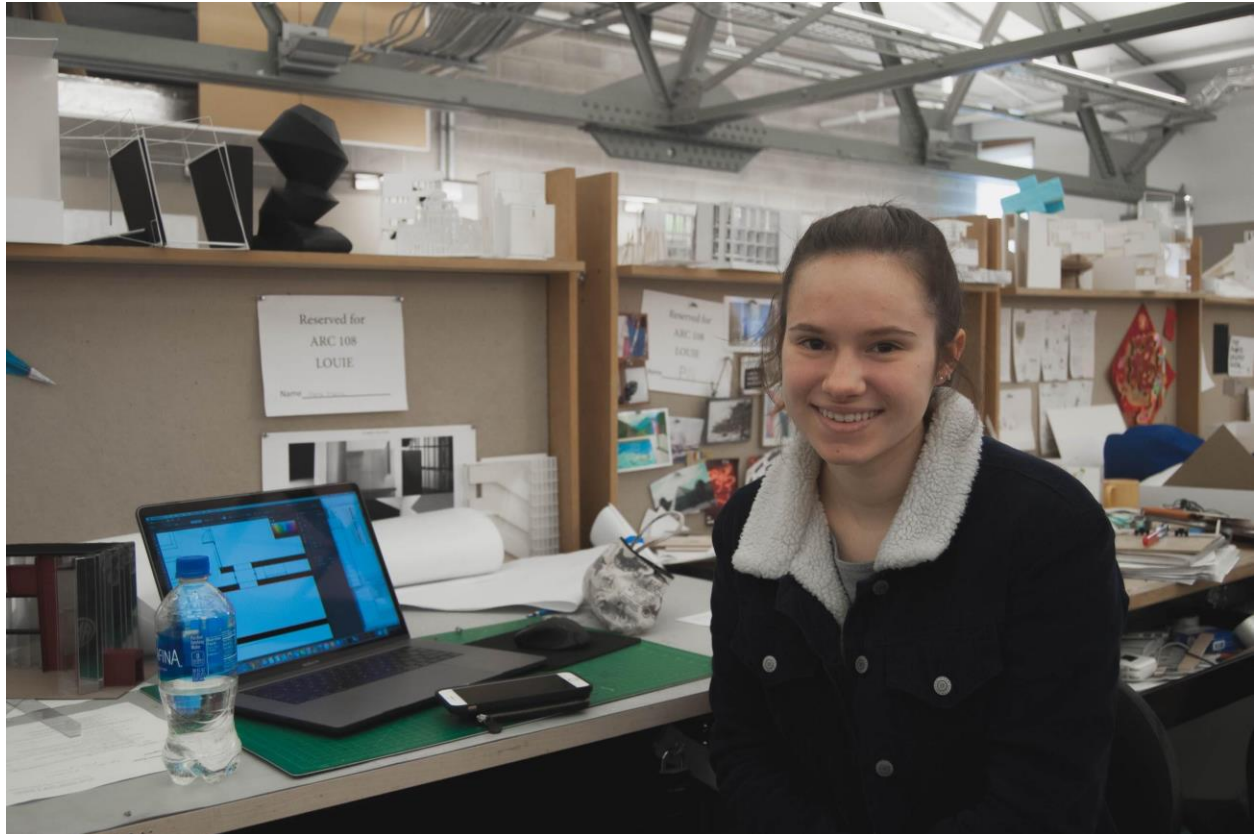
My name is Mason Malsegna, and I am a second year in the School of Architecture at Syracuse University. I am originally from a larger town called Fairport, NY, which is only an hour away from Syracuse. In my free time I love to be outdoors and explore all of the nearby places. Westcott Street is a hidden gem with a retro coffee shop, a concert hall, and my favorite diner in Syracuse so far, "Mom's". I have also explored a few of the local parks including Green Lakes State Park. I love to snowboard, and the university offers great opportunities for that! This love for the outdoors has brought me to minor in Sustainable Construction at ESF, the sister school connected to the University. I enjoy going to the gym almost every day, as it is a great way to get away for a while! I chose Syracuse because for me it was close to home, and I felt like I belonged here from the moment I stepped through the doors.



Alaina Marra

Woodbury, CT

Class of 2022



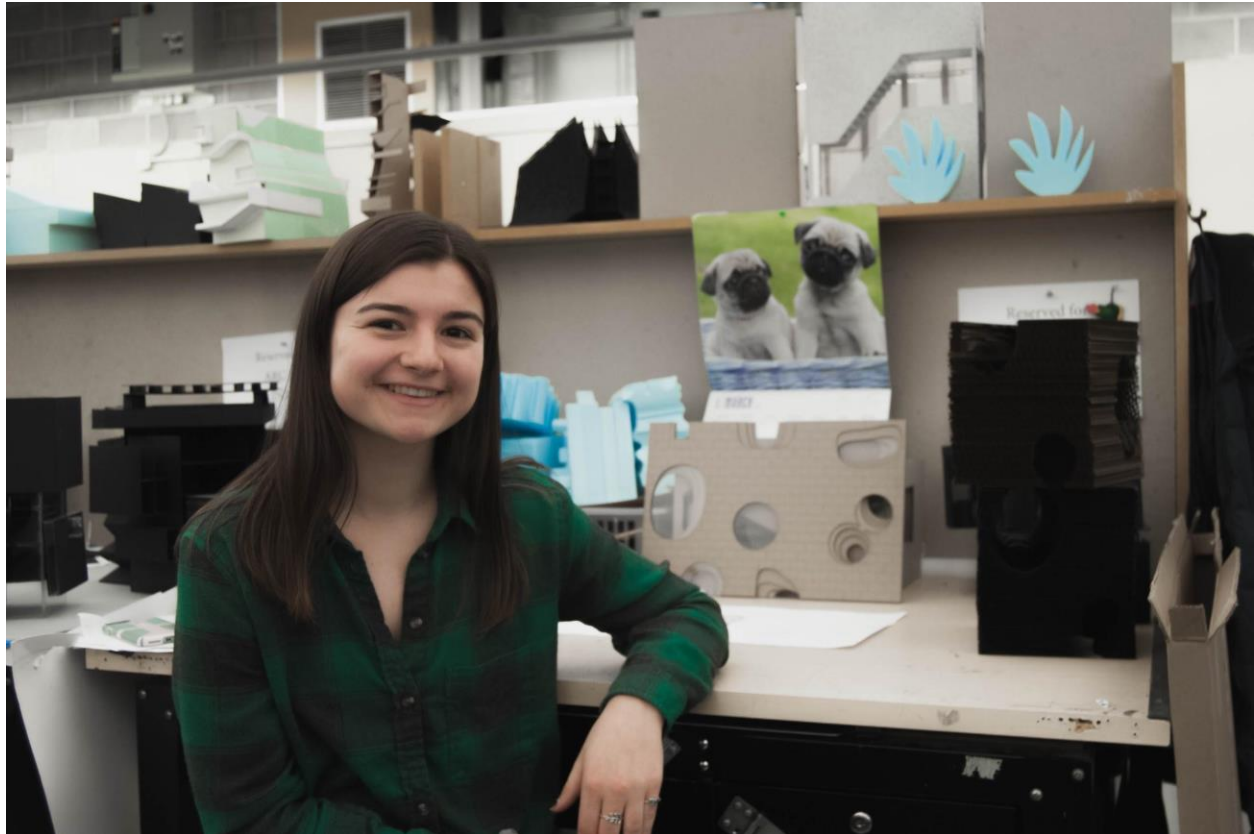
Hello! My name is Lainey Marra, and I am a second year from the small town of Woodbury, Connecticut. I chose to go to Syracuse University for the architecture program's amazing study abroad program and the school's overwhelmingly positive atmosphere, which still holds true today. If I am not at my studio desk making models or Rhino-ing while blasting the Hamilton soundtrack into my ears, I'm drawing, taking photos, or more realistically, watching Netflix in bed and drinking tea! Syracuse is an amazing place where you will meet and collaborate with the most diverse and creative group of peers. You will never feel lost or left behind, there will always be someone in our community here to help!



Sarah Perrino

Wallingford, CT

Class of 2022



Congrats class of 2023! My name is Sarah Perrino, and I am a second year in the class of 2022. I am from Connecticut, I like pina coladas and getting caught in the rain. Unfortunately, it only snows here, so I stay in studio instead. If you've heard rumors about architecture students being swamped with work, rest assured it's true. But when you're surrounded by soon-to-be friends it doesn't seem as bad. As time consuming as school can be, don't forget to have a life outside of architecture! I chose Syracuse because I was able to participate in extracurriculars and manage schoolwork. I am a member of the Syracuse University Marching Band, and I am proud to be a part of two fantastic and welcoming communities. Syracuse may seem big, but in due time you'll find your place. If you like what you hear, this is the school that you've been looking for! Come with me and escape- I mean attend.



Ethan Russell-Benoit

Chelmsford, MA

Class of 2019



Hello! My name is Ethan Russell-Benoit and I'm a 5th year student within the Syracuse School of Architecture and the Renée Crown Honors College. I'm from Chelmsford, Massachusetts, which is about 40 minutes north of Boston. I don't have much of a Boston accent, but I do say peculiar things like "bubler" and think that everyone else has the wrong definition of frappes and milkshakes. At Syracuse, I'm a tutor for Structures 1&2, and I am an Architecture Ambassador. I've also worked on a number of special exhibitions within the school. I am several years removed from competitive running and baseball, but I still love to run, hike, bike, rock climb, or throw around a frisbee any chance I get; basically anything to be active and outside. I chose Syracuse School of Architecture because it is a highly ranked school with the right balance of design and technical education, as well as an extremely friendly student body. I could sense from my tour on my very first visit that this was a school with a great deal of pride and camaraderie. It's a school that competes with the best without the high-pressure, competitive atmosphere. The University as a whole also has a vibrant student life, a great deal of school spirit, and a beautiful campus. Little advertised fact: we have gorgeous sunsets, too. I hope to see you all soon!



Mehak Saroha

Dubai

Class of 2022



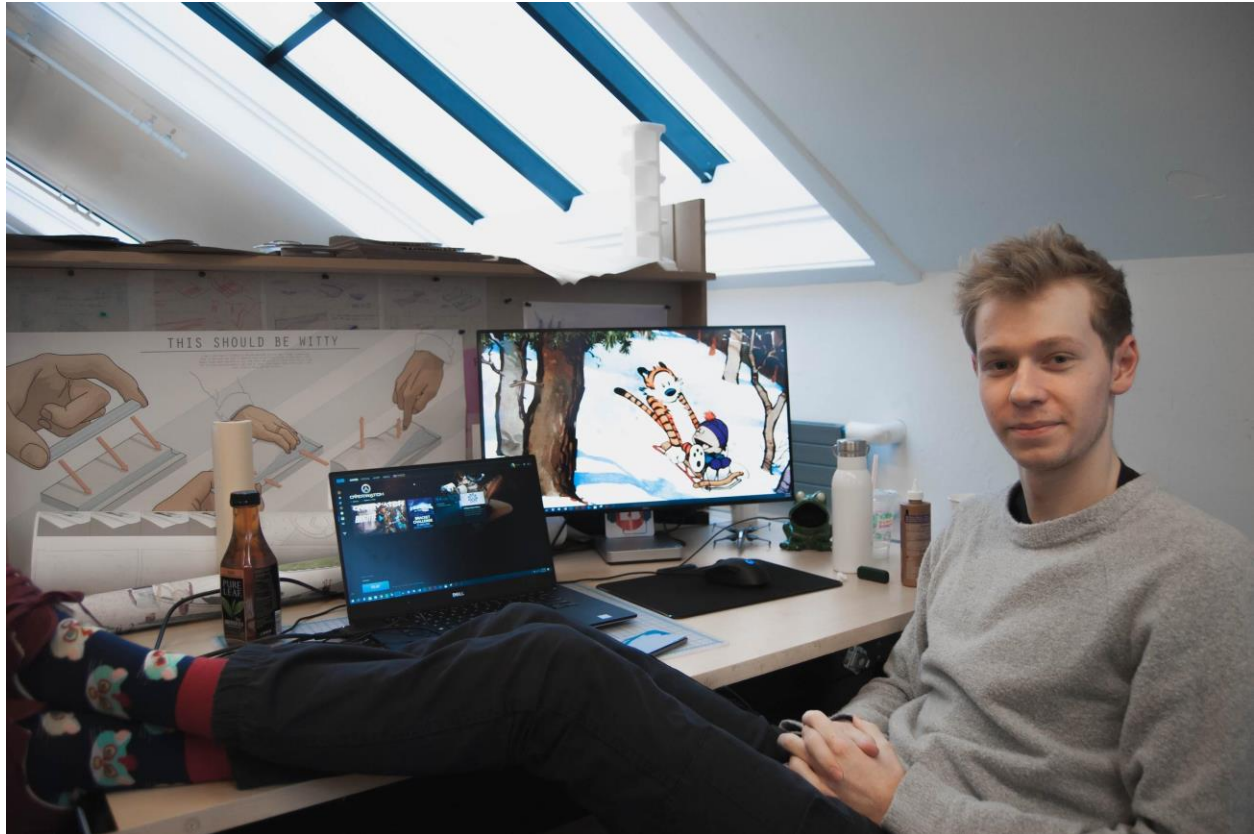
Hi there! I'm Mehak Saroha, an international student from Dubai and ethnically from North India. Don't ever be afraid to ever ask me any question throughout your journey in Syracuse (including how to say my name - "mayheck"). The first year of architecture will be like a journey on an airplane; it might feel scary as you take-off, but you know you are in good hands. The overall year is long, sometimes with a few turbulences, but we are here to keep checking in on you to make sure you feel like you are giving it your all. It is challenging, that's no secret - however, you wouldn't be in this amazing school if we had any doubt in your abilities to succeed here. So don't be afraid, we're here for you. I have completed the IB program in high school and had many wonderful opportunities to visit and meet people from all over the world. I do love meeting new people, and I am so excited to meet your fresh enthusiastic faces this fall. Let's take on Fall 2018 on the same team!



Lawrence Sprague

New York, NY

Class of 2021



Hi I'm Lawrence, by the time you're reading this... I'll be a junior. That's kind of wild, knock on wood though, don't want to jinx it. Anyway, hello hello welcome to the school, be excited. So a little bit about me... I used to play on the ultimate frisbee team here at the school and back in high school, and I play my fair share of video games (good way to take a break from arch (as long as you know how to not always be taking a break (which I don't))). I have also never stepped foot in a hospital (knock on wood again), including when I was born. I was born in a barn in Massachusetts because when my parents had my sister the power went out at the hospital and the nurses were rude. Probably too much information but oh well, THE MORE YOU KNOW. Anyway, I live in Manhattan NYC, love ramen, and have had internships the past two summers (subtle brag). So, I can totally help with that if any of you are thinking that far ahead, and according to Ted Brown (Legend), I have great craftsmanship, so don't be shy to ask for help if you need it!

P.S. Pop-Tarts are ravioli – change my mind.



Astra Sun

Houston, TX

Class of 2022



Hello, and welcome to the Syracuse family! I'm Astra, and I am in the class of 2022. I was born in Shanghai, China, and immigrated to Houston, TX when I was 5 years old. One of my favorite things about our program is the studio culture! There's a strong mutual support and camaraderie among all of us, so whenever you have a late night at studio, there will always be someone in the same boat as you. Another aspect of the university I love is that there are tons of other activities and clubs outside of architecture to participate in, and the best part is that it's encouraged! Quick facts about me that aren't about architecture! I've been playing the clarinet for 7 years, and I march in the Syracuse University Marching Band during football season. Other than English, I speak German and Chinese. Finally, I indulge in playing video games whenever I have free time. That's all for now! See you soon!



Stephanie Wagner

Levittown, NY

Class of 2019

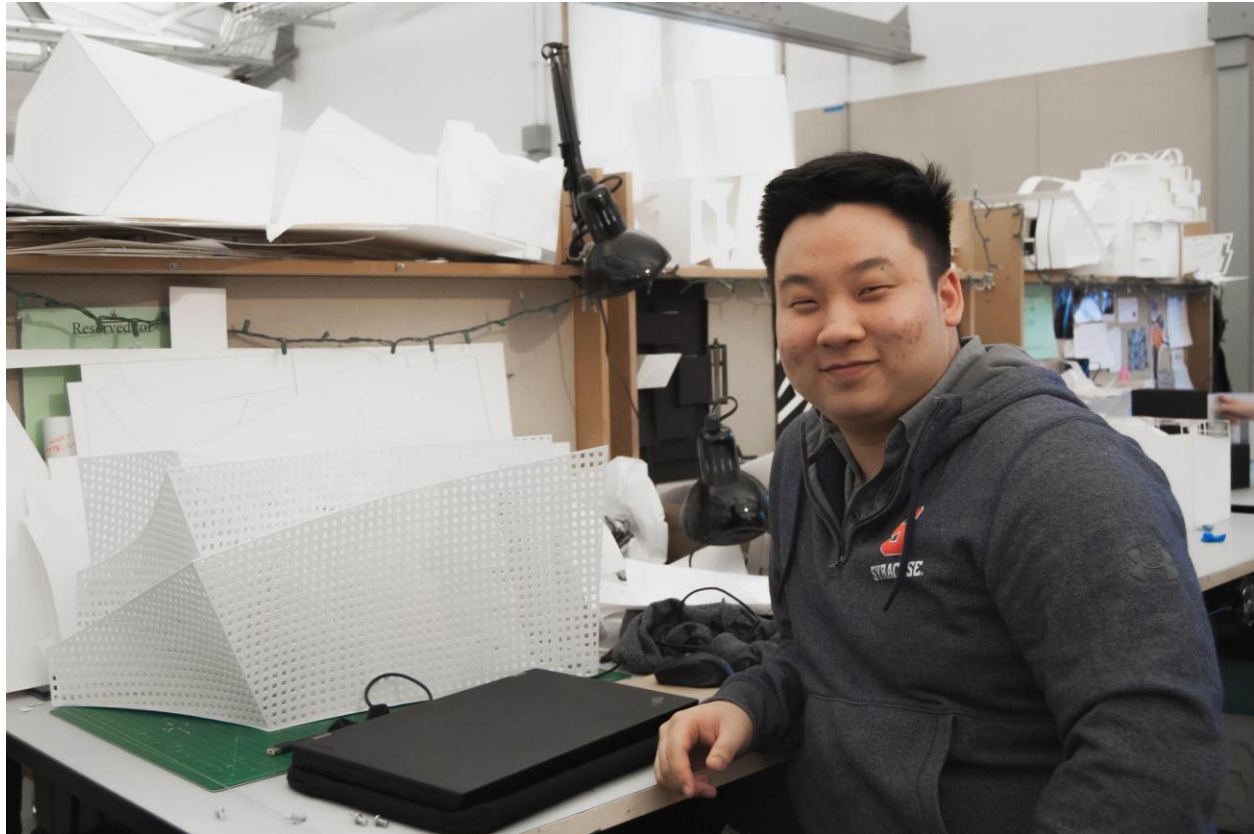


My name is Stephanie Wagner, and I'm a 5th year architecture student from Long Island, NY. Other activities I participate in at SU are marching band and pep band, and I love to meet new people through all of our student organizations. I look forward to meeting all of you in the Fall!

Benjamin Wang

McLean, VA

Class of 2022



Hello, admitted students! My real name is Benjamin, but I go by Ben. I have lived in Washington D.C. most of my life, but I have also lived in Boston and Philadelphia. In high school I played baseball, but I love to play and watch all sports, including esports. I also know how to play the viola and saxophone, being a part of the orchestra and jazz band. Deciding on Syracuse architecture was an easy choice, having both fun and serious aspects, engaging my competitive side. I also attended various summer pre-college programs like VA Tech, RISD, and Syracuse. From the beginning, I knew Syracuse would be my home and family not only for 5 years, but for life. See you soon!



Heather Warren

Moorestown, NJ

Class of 2021



Hi everyone, I'm Heather and I'm a third year student here at Syracuse. I'm from South Jersey, right outside of Philly, but I was actually born in England and have dual citizenship between here and the U.K. While I spend a lot of time in architecture doing work, giving tours, or serving as a peer advisor, I also do a lot outside of architecture. For starters, I'm minoring in sustainable construction management at SUNY-ESF. Outside of the classroom, I'm on the gymnastics team here, I'm a part of U100 (the campus tour guides), I'm helping out with getting an architecture fraternity started on campus, and I also have a job at the mall. I'm so excited to be part of the peer advising program again this year, and I can't wait to meet all of you!



Katherine Weeks

Fogelsville, PA

Class of 2022



Hello! My name is Katherine Weeks, Katie for short, and I'm a second year in the School of Architecture. I love baking, ice skating, and musicals. I've lived around the United States in places like Ohio, Florida, Pennsylvania, and now, Syracuse. I chose Syracuse because of its welcoming atmosphere and, of course, the phenomenal architecture program. Adjusting into this program can be difficult, but this school is one big family, everyone is so helpful and supportive, and you never have to worry about being alone. I've come to know that long studio hours are unavoidable. However, even at the craziest of hours, your desk lamp isn't the only one on, and after my first few semesters, I'm proud to say I've never pulled an all nighter. If you're like me, you'll come to know nearly everyone in your class in no time, and find yourself laughing, crying, watching vine compilations, and working your hardest in studio with a great group of friends.



Omri Winkler

Livingston, NJ

Class of 2021



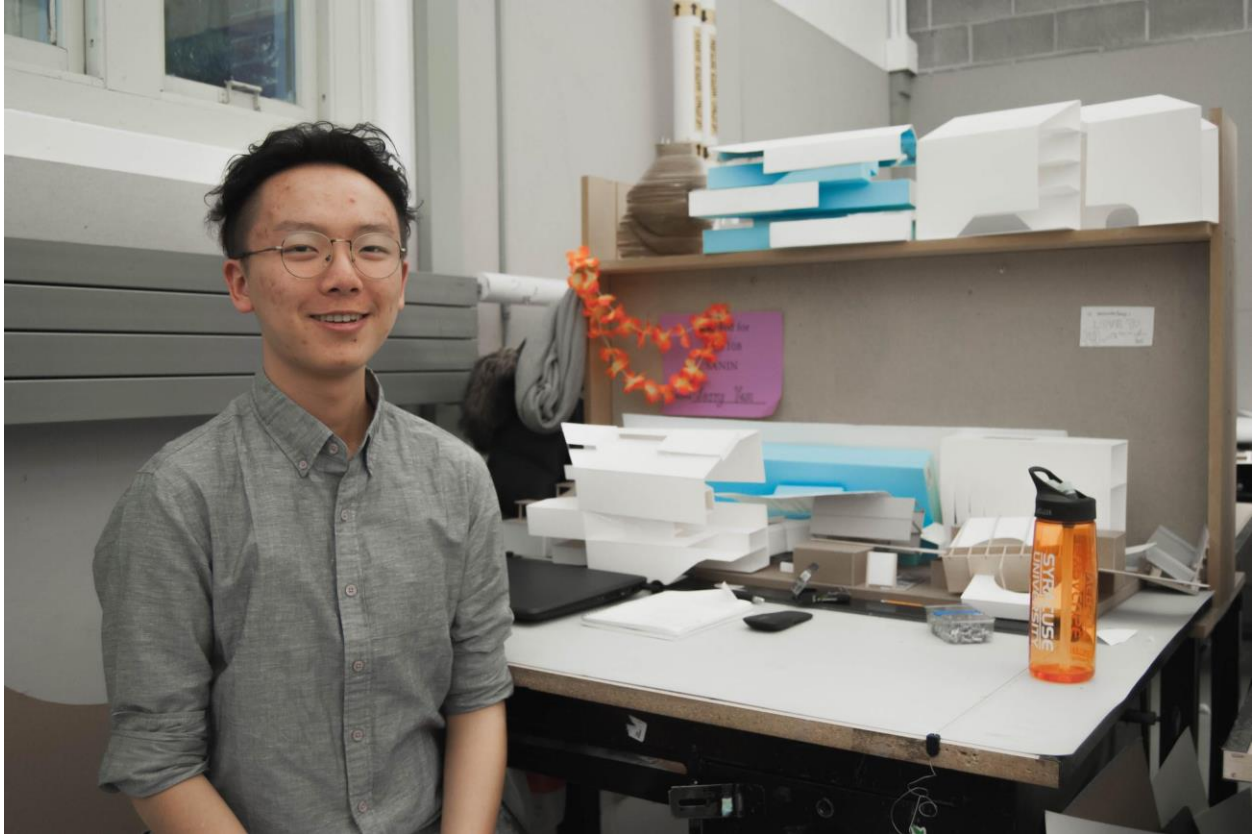
Hi! My name is Omri Winkler, I'm a junior in the School of Architecture, and this is my second year as a Peer Advisor. I live in Slocum Hall. Just kidding! I live in Livingston, NJ, but was born and raised in Israel and moved to America when I was six years old. I'm multicultural, my family is Romanian and Israeli, and I speak Hebrew, Romanian, and English. I have tri-citizenship, I have an Israeli, Romanian and US passport. My love for architecture began after taking an Architecture CAD class during my freshman year of high school. I decided on architecture after participating in the Summer College program here at Syracuse, where I fell in love with the program and the school. Architecture for me is a family. Everyone learns and struggles together. We strive to succeed and bring our peers up with us, no one left behind. This culture among the students and faculty at Syracuse is what makes the transition from high school to college smoother and makes the late nights worthwhile. If you ever see a kid walking around wearing a shirt with the recipe for hummus in Helvetica font, that's me. Actually, you might hear me before you see me, that's what people tell me. Come talk to me! And bring food :)



Jerry Yan

West Chester, PA

Class of 2022



Hi, everyone! Congratulations on getting into the SOA! My name is Jerry and I'm a second year in the class of 2022. I was born and raised in Chongqing and spent my last four years living in West Chester, PA. The reason why I chose Syracuse Architecture is the atmosphere the University provides. Not only is it a comprehensive university, but the school also creates a cooperative environment for students and faculties. My experience at the School of Architecture so far is full of ups and downs, but I absolutely enjoy every second of it. At the SOA, every day is a challenge, but it's amazing to see how everyone overcomes these challenges and become lifelong friends. As much as I LOVE my life in the studio, I always try do more than just architecture. Next year I'll start minoring in theatre, which will be even a larger challenge on top of the Architecture program, and most likely you'll find me running back and forth between Slocum and Syracuse Stage. Welcome to Syracuse!



Eryn Young

Morrison, IL
Class of 2021



Hey! Congratulations on your acceptance! I'm part of the class of 2021 here at the Syracuse University School of Architecture. I'm from a really small town in Illinois called Morrison. There, I played volleyball and softball and at Syracuse, I am a part of the university pep band, Sour Citrus Society. I have enjoyed my time at Syracuse so far, and I am excited to keep going. I originally chose the school because of all of the friendly people I met when I visited, and the great community aspect I saw among the students.