

## KNOWLTON STUDIO CULTURE POLICY

The Knowlton School educates students to shape and serve the architectural profession, contribute to the intellectual and creative purposes of the University, and promote the improvement of design on the campus, in the region, and in the world. Knowlton is a learning environment that values optimism, respect, collaboration, engagement, and innovation.

### **Studio**

The design studio is a central feature of Knowlton and the architecture curriculum and a unique educational model. It is a place of exchange: studio projects are common ground for discussion and all studio members participate in their evolution. Critique is intrinsic to project development and an opportunity for students to join with peers, faculty, and guest critics in an open spirit of innovation. Critique also allows students to appreciate how their work can be interpreted from different, often unanticipated, perspectives.

### **Intellectual Diversity**

Knowlton values the intellectual diversity of its faculty and students, and supports diverse approaches to studio instruction. A respect for individual rights is the foundation of an intellectual community, and all members of the community conduct themselves with the highest ethical principles and regard for others.

### **Collaboration**

Design studios promote collaborative learning experiences that strengthen design solutions and anticipate professional practice. Students working jointly on one design problem learn how to work with others in successful collaboration. Students working on individual design solutions learn from and are supported by peers outside class time as well as faculty during class time. Knowlton values the involvement of other disciplines and professionals who contribute knowledge from unique perspectives.

### **Interdisciplinary Opportunity**

Knowlton supports and encourages interdisciplinary research and design opportunities through which students acquire a broad range of skills and experiences.

### **Leadership**

Students are encouraged to engage in school and community organizations and have a variety of opportunities to do so through active roles in committees, events, and service projects. Involvement in organizations such as AIAS, SERVitecture, and Habitat for Humanity enhance the learning environment and expand abilities.

### **Healthy Lifestyle**

Knowlton recognizes that time management is central to a rewarding design education and a healthy lifestyle. The school encourages faculty to guide students in developing the capacity to reconcile competing demands in their work and lives, while encouraging students to engage the wide range of opportunities available at The Ohio State University.

### **Integrity**

Knowlton School holds its students to the highest standards of academic integrity in their school work and ethical conduct in their daily lives. These standards are to guide behavior in all aspects of school life: fulfilling course assignments, maintaining buildings and equipment, interacting with peers, staff, and faculty; and behavior within the building and the broader academic and civic community.