

## arch\_weekly note



Photo of the La Concha Hotel in San Juan, Puerto Rico, courtesy of Matt Knox.

Last week I was at the [ACSA Administrators Conference](#) in Puerto Rico. Yes, I know...what a great place, but I promise I only *looked* at the beach. What I did do was learn great new information on procedures for our upcoming NAAB accreditation visit in 2017. As you can imagine, we are already preparing, so don't be surprised if your professor asks to retain your project (after you photograph it, etc. of course) as evidence for the visit. We are in a good place with the quality of our program, but the visit will allow us all to reflect on what we are doing well and what we can do better.

At the conference I attended a keynote by Joshua Prince-Ramus of [REX-ny.com](#). Check out their work. His presentation focused on the power of iteration in producing the best work. A good reminder that architecture is a process requiring constant exploration, research, and having no fear of throwing it all out and trying a new approach. (However, please don't try this at a point where you will not finish your project, please).

Next week is a well-deserved break so please, travel safe and revel in the chance to be with family and friends on Thanksgiving.

Best,

Matthew Knox AIA  
Professor and Department Head

## arch\_apdwest

Please be aware of the APD West holiday building schedule. [Click here for a visual schedule.](#)

The Dean's Office has made adjustments to the Fall Break/Thanksgiving holiday schedule for APD West. The building will be open regular hours on Monday, November 23rd and Tuesday, November 24th. The building will be open on Wednesday, November 25th from 7:00 am to 5:00 pm and will then close for the holiday. The building will reopen Saturday, November 28th at 10:00 am to 1:00 am, but **no shuttles will be operating during this time**. On Sunday, November 29th the building will open at 8:00 am to begin the 24-hour open period.

## arch\_announcements

Thanksgiving break/student holiday is November 23rd through November 27th and no classes will meet during this time. The university will observe the holiday on Thursday, November 26th and Friday, November 27th and campus offices will be closed, including the Architecture Department office. Campus and classes will resume normal schedules on Monday, November 30th. Be careful when traveling and enjoy your holiday!

Weigel holiday hours\_ Saturday and Sunday, November 21 and 22, Weigel will be closed. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday November 23-25 Weigel will be open 8 am to 5 pm. Thursday through Sunday, November 26-29 the library will be closed. Regular hours will begin again at 8 am on Monday, November 30.

Weigel position open\_ Weigel Library is accepting applications for one student assistant for Spring Semester 2016. The number of hours of employment for student library assistants typically ranges from 7 to 10 per week. A job application is available in Weigel, Seaton 323. Completed applications are due in Weigel by Wednesday, December 16. The hiring decision will be made in January, at which time all applicants will be notified of the decision.

Mark your calendars for "Pizza Out West" on Thursday, December 3rd beginning at 9:30 pm, an adaptation of the annual pizza event hosted by Weigel Library. There will be pizza and treats in rooms 116 and 119 at APD West for all students. Don't forget to thank Maxine!

Congratulations to Professor Vladimir Krstic and the Kansas City Design Center 2014-2015 students for receiving the AIA Kansas City Design Excellence Concept Category Merit Award for last year's vision study for Kessler Park!

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# arch\_upcoming events

## NOVEMBER

23-27 Thanksgiving break, no classes!

## DECEMBER

1 Faculty meeting at 2:30 PM in room 207 in the Union

3 APDesign Alumni Honorees visit K-State

9 Bowman Forum at 1:00 PM in the Little Theatre

11 Manko Competition at 1:30 PM in the Little Theatre

14-18 Final examinations

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