

## Building Communities *Worldwide*

The College of Design, Construction & Planning has a long history of working with communities throughout Florida and across the United States and the world. Our faculty and students have collaborated with community leaders and stakeholders in countries as they've studied and conducted research on local issues to explore creative solutions. Our students benefit from this outreach as they learn how each community is unique and how to respect and incorporate local culture into the possible solutions.



**PARIS:** Landscape architecture students pose at the Louvre in Paris, France. The students traveled to France as part of the Department of Landscape Architecture's study abroad program at the University of Florida Paris Research Center. Led by landscape architecture professor **R. Terry Schnadelbach**, the program features contemporary design theory and real Paris projects.



**SARASOTA, USA:** Senior interior design students help develop design solutions for rehabilitating and adaptively reusing the original 1958 Riverview High School complex near Siesta Key in Sarasota, Fla. A seminal post-World War II school design by renowned U.S. architect **Paul Rudolph** (1918-1997), Riverview High was scheduled for demolition. Following outcry from the architecture and design community, the Sarasota Architectural Foundation collaborated with UF students on the Riverview High School Adaptive Reuse project to save the building. Advocates for the restoration hope their campaign will serve as a benchmark for the preservation of Modern architecture.



**BRAZIL:** Dr. Fábio Mariz Gonçalves, a professor at São Paulo University (USP), explains to students the process of re-urbanization of an informal settlement implemented by the housing and urban development authority for the State of São Paulo. The students were visiting the settlement as part of the UF Brazil Study Abroad program, directed by **Joseli Macedo**, a faculty member in the Department of Urban and Regional Planning.



Robert MacLeod

**CHINA:** University of Florida architecture students visit the Xi'an University School of Architecture and Technology in Xi'an, China. Led by architecture professors **Nancy Sanders**, **Robert MacLeod**, **Hui Zou** and **Albertus S.L. Wang**, the UF students participated in a design workshop/charrette with the Xi'an University students and faculty as part of the UF School of Architecture's Hong Kong-China Summer Program.

.....**TANZANIA** (See page 8.)



Christopher Silver

**VICENZA, ITALY:** Architecture students work in their studio at the Vicenza Institute of Architecture, a satellite learning program of the School of Architecture. The institute is based in an area with an abundant architectural heritage. The program focuses on evaluating and understanding the historical, social, cultural and physical aspects of this particularly rich urban context through design, research and documentation.



Robert Ries

**SRI LANKA:** A member of Unawatuna, a tsunami-affected coastal village in Sri Lanka, reviews materials at a village stakeholder meeting held by building construction assistant professor **Robert Ries** and doctoral student **Lanka Thabrew**. The goal of the meeting was to understand the current state of Unawatuna and to introduce life-cycle thinking, a way to understand and visualize the broader consequences of development planning and implementation.



Kevin Thompson

**BALI:** In the foothill regions of Bali, change is underfoot. Shifting economies compel changes in land uses that threaten to undermine the significance of important cultural landscapes. On the ground with a small contingent of landscape architecture students, assistant professor **Kevin Thompson** helps produce Community Landscape Documentaries: films that express a community's deep connection to the land. These films serve as new cultural documents, giving voice to the softly spoken and seldom heard.