



Research

Independent Project
Galford Studio
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The goal of this independent assignment is to produce a short publishable work that illustrates a working knowledge of a material, device or building method that is part of the sustainable design palette.

This work should include **text, photographs and drawings** to illustrate your point. You need to research the item, write a summary text that deals with its historical use, if any, its current use, the ways in which it is useful and the ways in which it may be problematic. Most any sustainable practice will have benefits as well as costs. You should analyze the situation and state your position regarding its use. Evaluate it through the lens of the user, through its economic payback, time, availability, etc.

Provide photographs of case study examples. Additionally, provide any needed drawings to increase the clarity of the presentation. This should be a one to two page document at the minimum. **Good graphic presentation is an absolute requirement.**

Your research project **must integrate** with your design project. We can discuss each of your projects and ideas individually. Capture any synergies that you can. Presenting a working knowledge of any incorporated sustainable item will reinforce your final presentation. This project should be part of your final presentation. Have a rough draft of your idea by **Wednesday 29 March.**

Examples: green roofs, daylighting strategies, rammed earth const, composting toilets, recycled materials, etc.etc.etc. See me for more ideas.