

## The Scales of Sustainable Design in Developing Nations:

Design of Akilah Institute in Rural Rwanda

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- Impact of Climate Change in Africa
- Impact of Climate Change in Rwanda
- Renewable Energy Resources
- Akilah Institute Phase I Design
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 To investigate the means by which built-environment professionals can mitigate the effects of climate change and natural disaster.

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- To respond to an equatorial climate with high temperatures, intense solar exposure, sporadic rain fall, and increased seismic activity.
- To provide sustainable access to clean energy, water, and food.
- To improve community knowledge and capacity of local resources through the introduction of sustainable building methods and renewable energy technologies.
- To work with local organizations and other relief agents to develop solutions to create sustainable communities and stimulate market development.

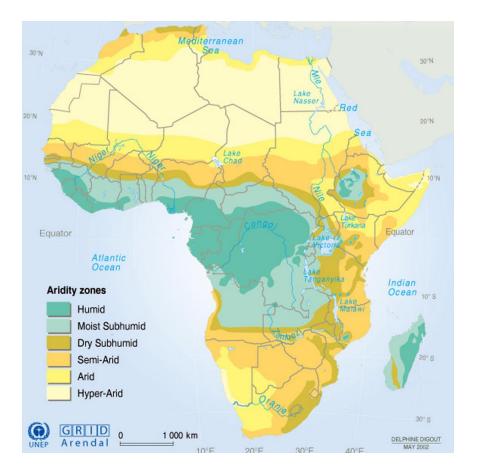


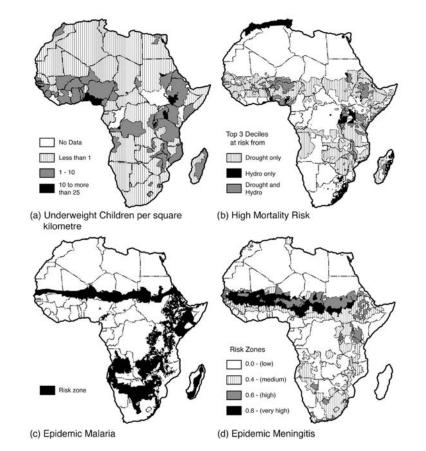
## Impact of Climate Change in Africa

#### IMPACT OF CLIMATE CHANGE IN AFRICA



#### Impacts And Vulnerabilities Associated With Climate Change In Africa





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#### IMPACT OF CLIMATE CHANGE IN AFRICA



#### **East Africa:**

- Rainfall is likely to increase in some parts of East Africa, while other regions are likely to experience increased droughts.
- Previously malaria-free highland areas in Ethiopia, Kenya, Rwanda, and Burundi could experience increases in Malaria with increasing risk of transmission.
- Ecosystems impacts on mountain biodiversity could occur. Declines in Fisheries in some major Eastern Africa lakes could occur.

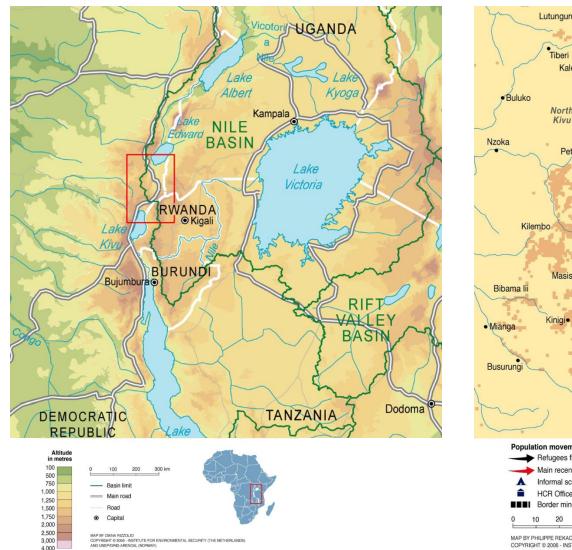


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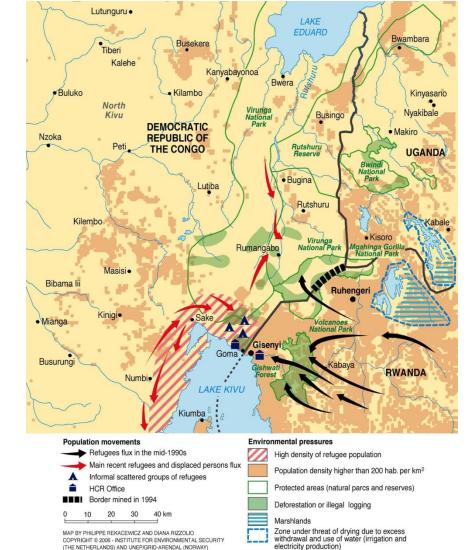
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#### Water Basins



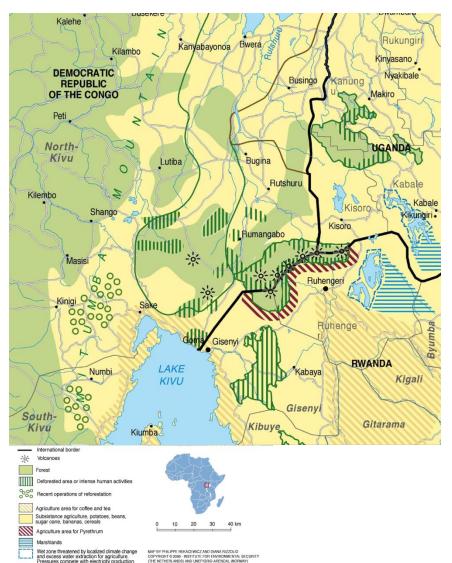
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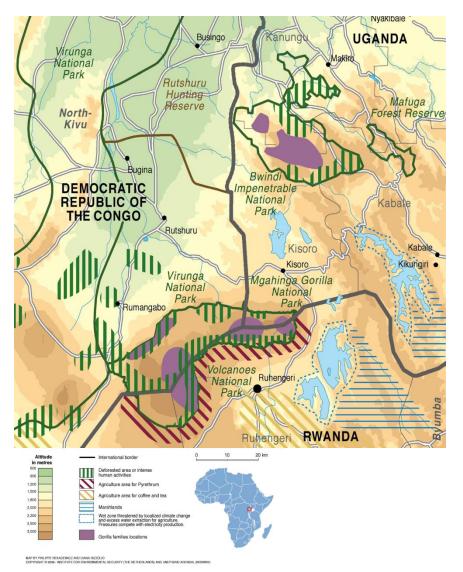


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#### Land Use and Cover





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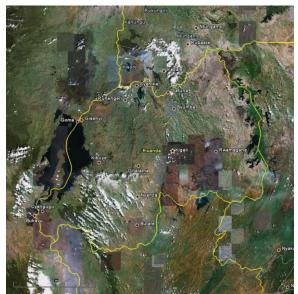


# Impact of Climate Change in Rwanda



#### Overview





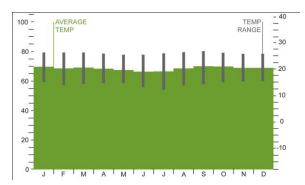
**Climate:** temperate: two rainy seasons; mild in mountains with frost and snow possible.

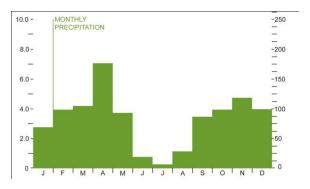
**Terrain:** mostly grassy uplands and hills; relief is mountainous with altitude declining from west to east.

Access to Electricity: 5% of population (10,746,311)

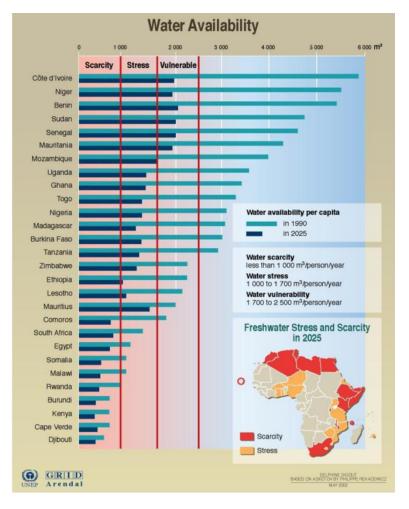
#### Forms of Electricity:

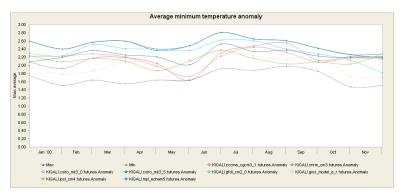
Biomass (Wood, Agriculture Byproduct) - 85% Fossil Fuels - 9% Hydropower - 5% Solar - <1% Wind - 0%





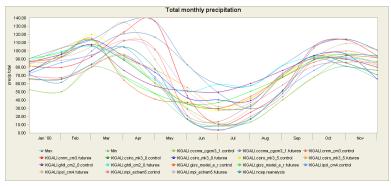
#### Current and Possible Future Variations in Temperature and Precipitation in Rwanda

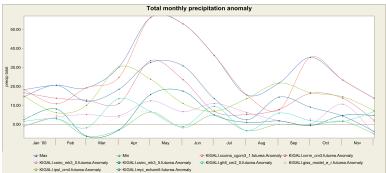




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#### IMPACT OF CLIMATE CHANGE IN RWANDA

#### Current Impacts and Vulnerabilities Associated with Climate Change in Rwanda



CITY IMPRESSIONS OF THE STREET IN KIGALI, RWANDA



CROP FAILURE DUE TO DRAUGHT (2005, EAST PROVINCE)



UNPAVED STREETS WITHIN THE URBAN AREA

CROP FAILURE DUE TO FLOODS (2007, WEST PROVINCE)



RUSUMO FALLS BEFORE RUGEZI'S DEGRADATION, 2000



RUSUMO FALLS AFTER RUGEZI'S DEGRADATION, 2005



DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY (2006, NORTH PROVINCE)



DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY (2007, WEST PROVINCE)

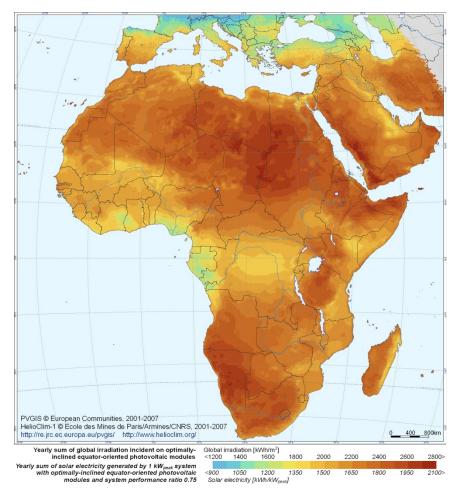
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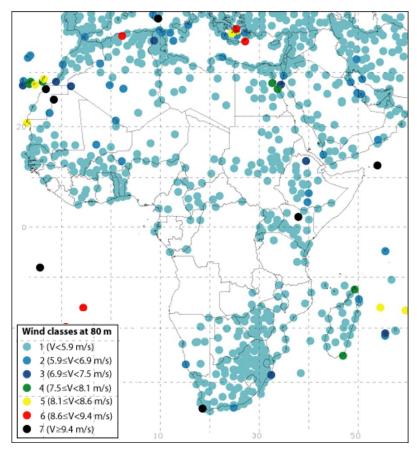
Renewable Energy Resources



#### Solar Energy Potential in Africa



## Wind Energy Potential in Africa



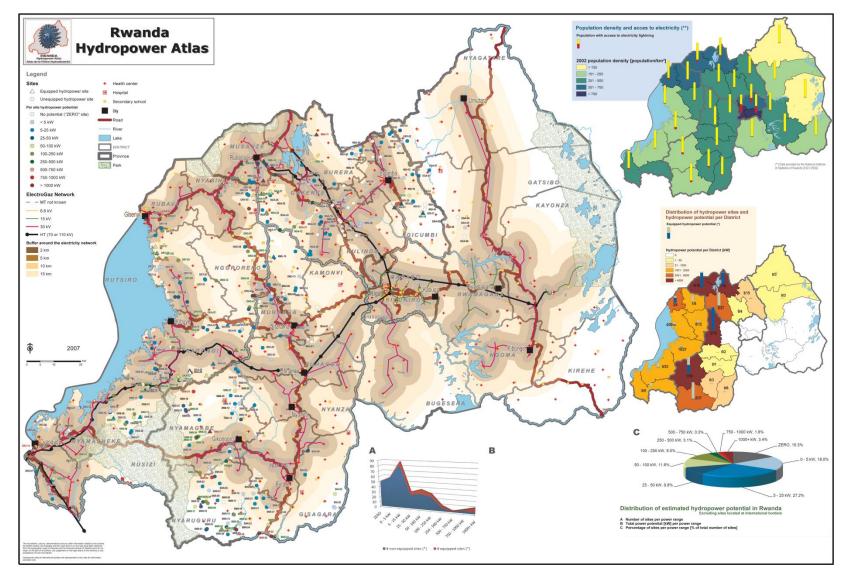
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#### RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCES



#### Hydropower Atlas of Rwanda

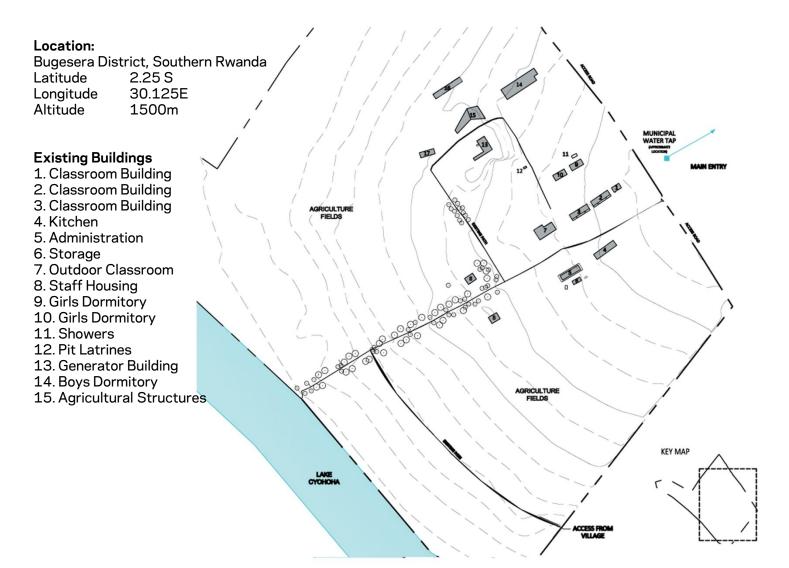




## Akilah Institute - Phase I Design



#### **Campus Renovation - Site Plan**



#### EXISTING CAMPUS AREA CALCULATIONS

BOYS' DORMITORY *	m <sup>2</sup>
TOTAL BOYS' DORM AREA	547
GIRLS' DORMITORY 1	m <sup>2</sup>
BED AREA	82
CLOSET	5
CLOSET	5
TOTAL	93
GIRLS' DORMITORY 2	m <sup>2</sup>
BED AREA	82
CLOSET	5
CLOSET	5
TOTAL	93
TOTAL GIRLS' DORMAREA	370
CLASSROOM 1	m <sup>2</sup>
CLASSROOM A	61
CLASSROOM B	61
TOTAL	122
CLASSROOM 2	m <sup>2</sup>
CLASSROOM A	61
CLASSROOM B	61
TOTAL	122
CLASSROOM 3	m <sup>2</sup>
CLASSROOM A	51
TOTAL CLASSROOM AREA	295
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OUTDOOR WORKSHOP	m²
SPACE A	18
SPACE B	28
SPACE C	19
TOTAL WORKSHOP SPACE	65
CAFETERIA / KITCHEN	m <sup>2</sup>
CAFETERIA	101
KITCHEN	41
STORAGE	9
TOTAL KITCHENICAFÉ	151
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING *	2
	m <sup>2</sup>
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING	120
GENERATOR BUILDING	m <sup>2</sup>
SPACE A	m <sup>2</sup>
SPACE B	
	13
SPACE C	12
SPACE D	12
SPACE E	12
SPACE F	33
SPACE G	33
TOTAL GENERATOR BUILDING	128
TOTAL CAMPUS AREA	1676 m

NOTE: The area for the existing staff housing on campus is not available.



#### Campus Renovation – Existing Classrooms





#### Campus Renovation - Existing Kitchen & Cafeteria



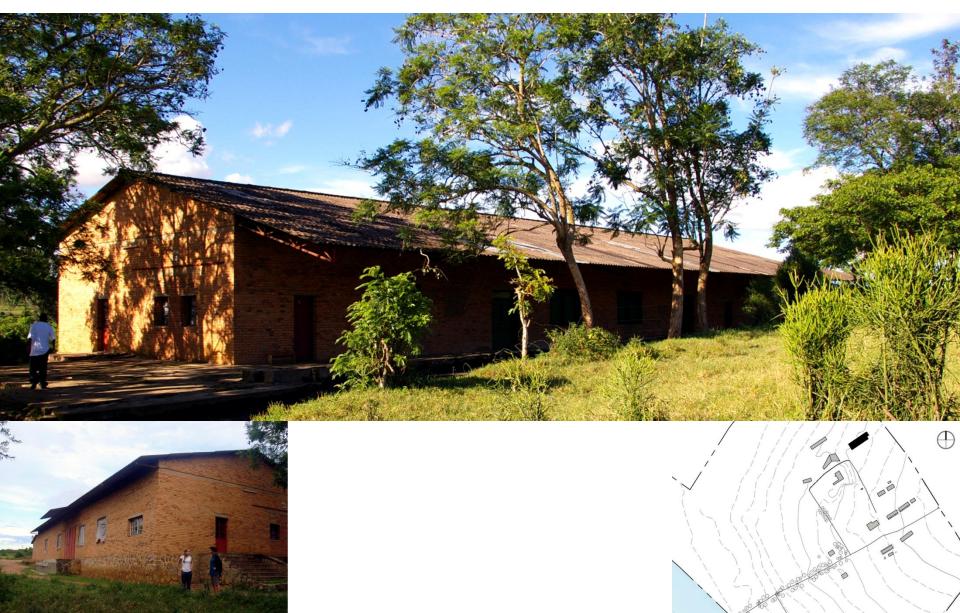


#### Campus Renovation - Existing Administration





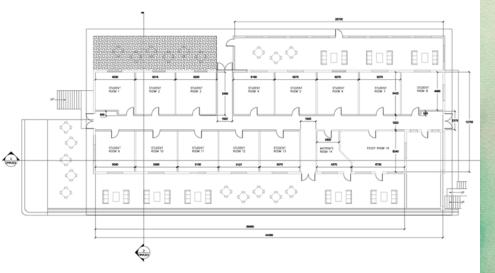
### Campus Renovation - Existing Dormitory





#### Campus Renovation - Proposed Design





COMPOSTING TOILETS

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SHOWERS SUSTAIN GARDEN + GREEN SCREEN

THROUGH GRAY WATER

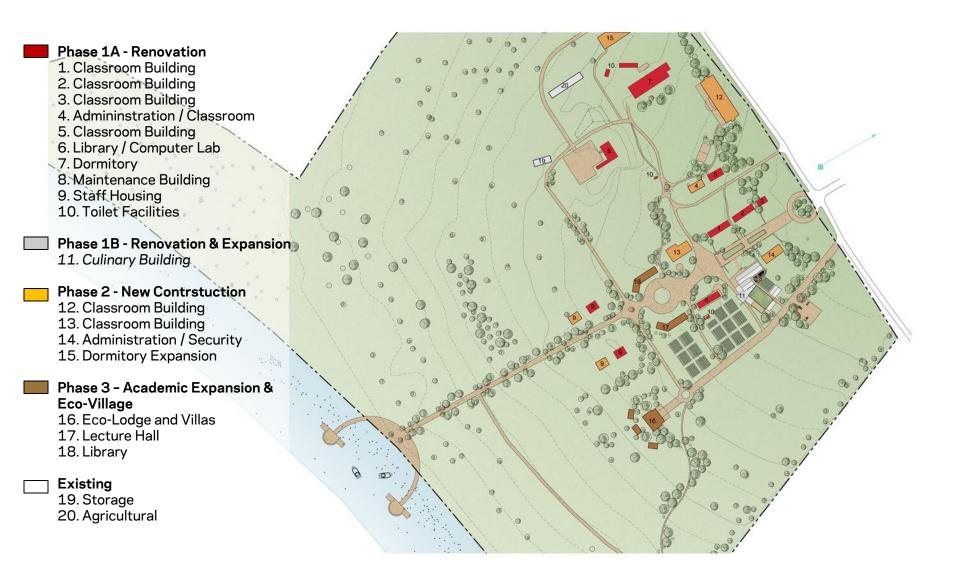
HOUSES STUDENTS THAT MAINTAIN AND UTILIZE RESOURCES USES PASSIVE COOLING STRATEGIES TO MAXIMIZE ENERGY EFFICIENCY



## Akilah Institute - Phase II Design

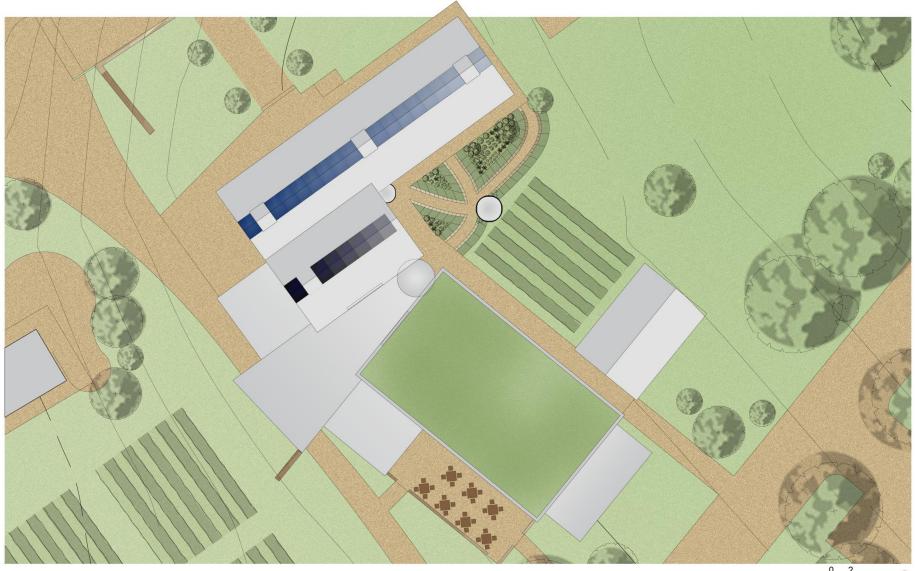


#### Culinary Institute - Site Plan





#### Culinary Institute - Roof Plan & Gardens





#### Culinary Institute - Floor Plan



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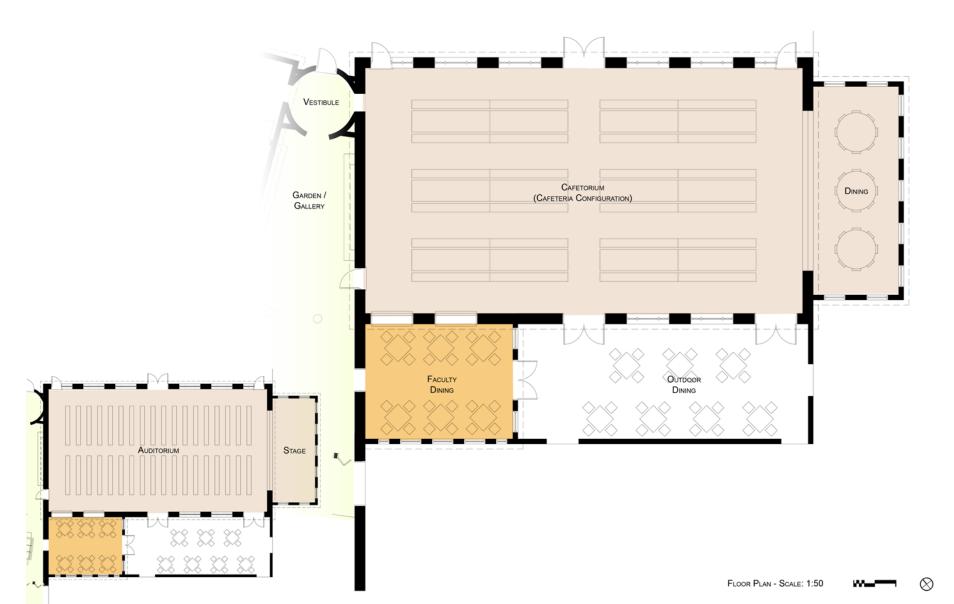


#### Culinary Institute - Enlarged Floor Plan





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#### **Culinary Institute - Elevations**



SOUTHEAST ELEVATION

ELEVATIONS - SCALE: 1:50



#### **Culinary Institute - Elevations**



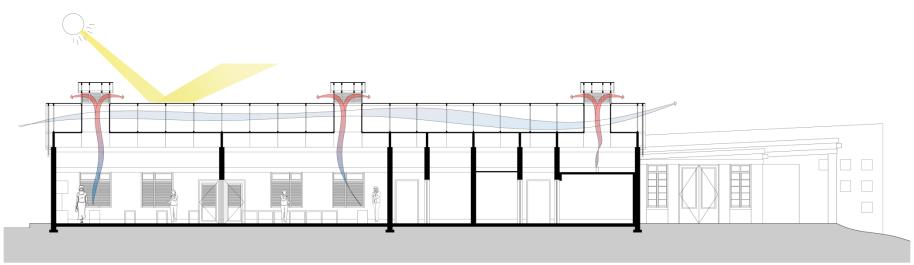
NORTHEAST ELEVATION

ELEVATIONS - SCALE: 1:50

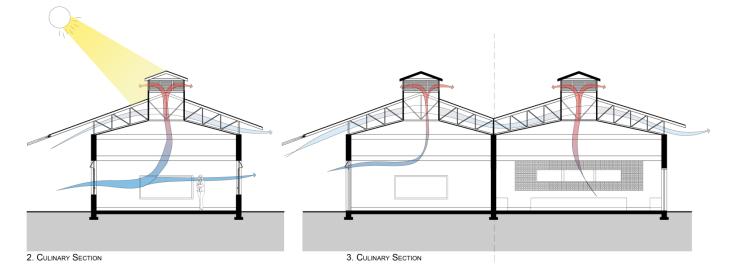


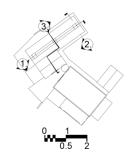


#### **Culinary Institute - Sections**



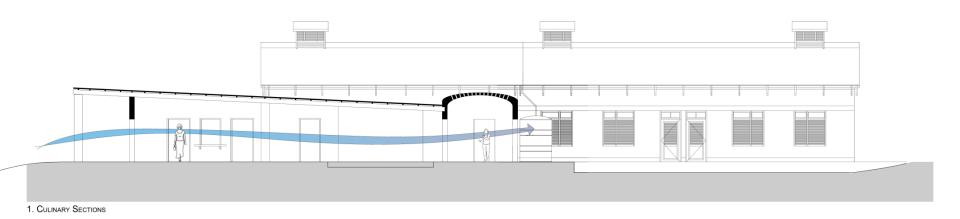
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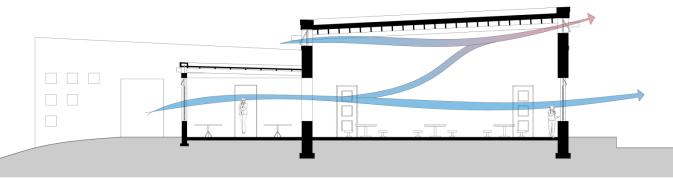


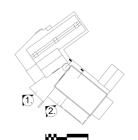




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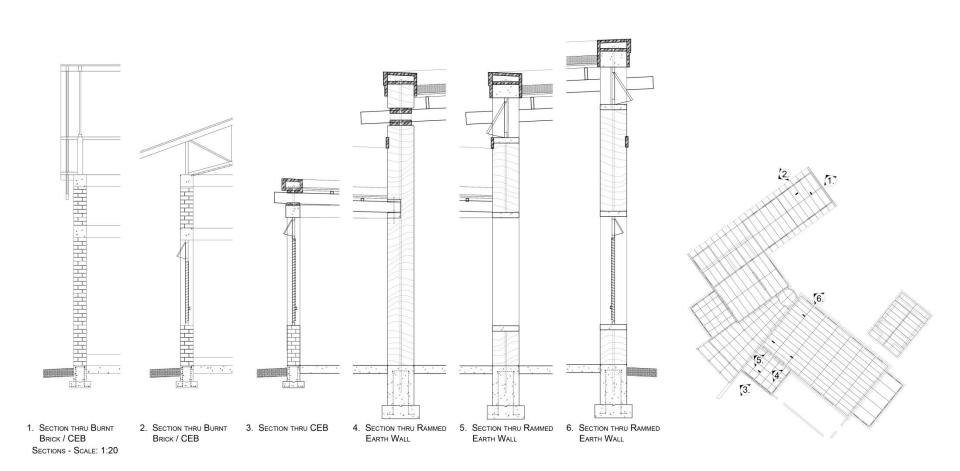








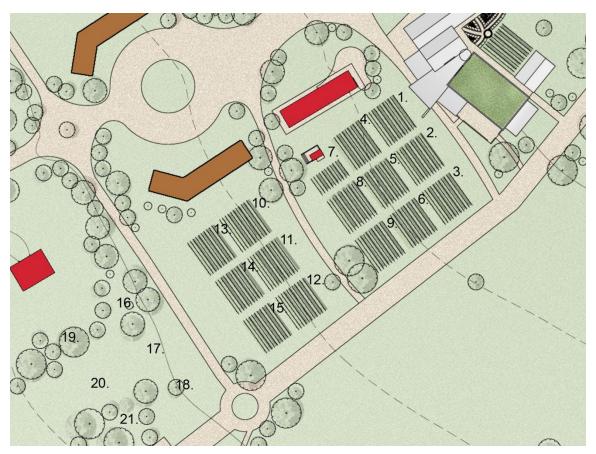
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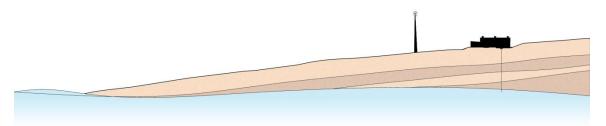




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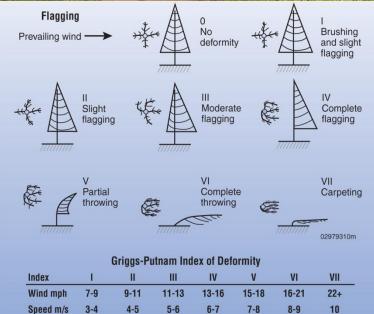


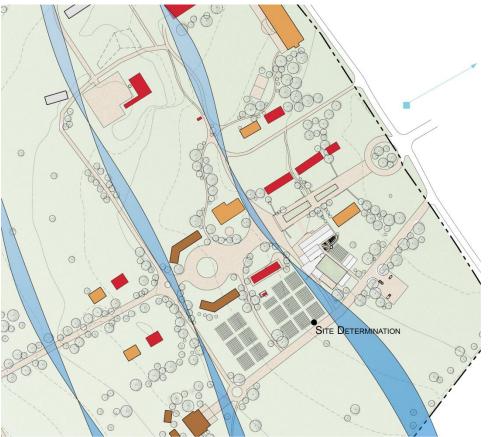


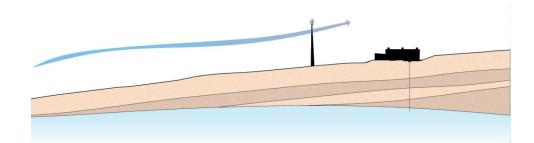


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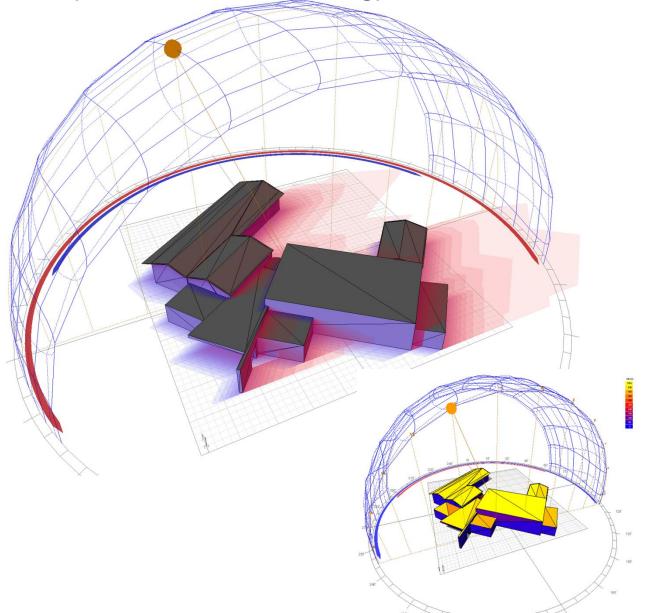


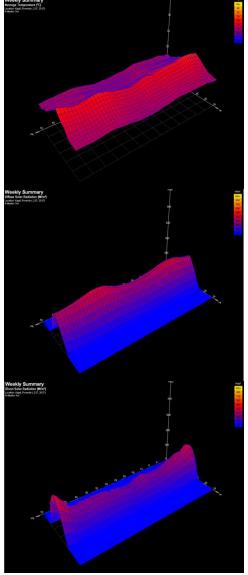




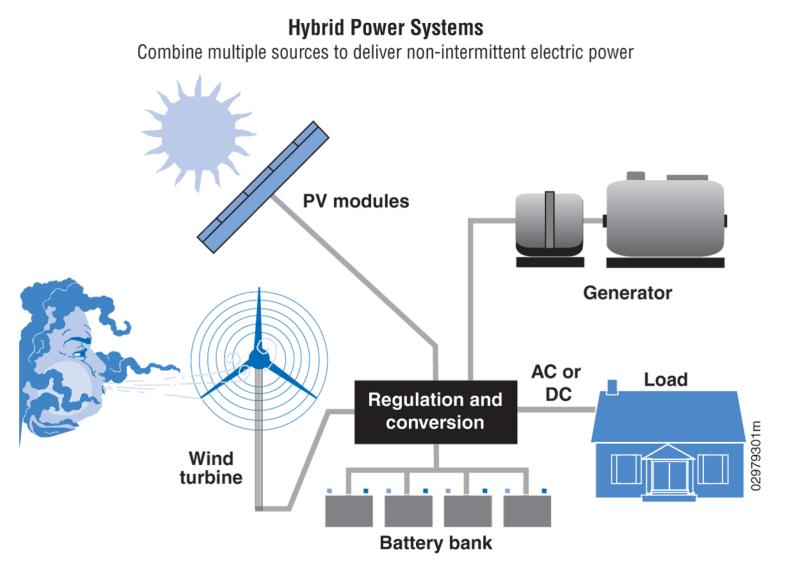


#### Culinary Institute - Renewable Energy Resources - Solar Studies





#### Culinary Institute - Renewable Energy Resources - System Design



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#### SUMMARY & FUTURE GOALS

 A built-environment professional's role is not merely limited to building infrastructure, but also includes the development and empowerment of communities through interaction with them and cooperation with all other relief professionals.

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- The introduction of sustainable building methods and renewable energy technologies in communities that are at risk to the increasing impact of climate change will allow for proper adaptation.
- Continued education and training on the use of resources and infrastructure development will enable development and mitigate the impact of climate change.
- As Akilah Institute continues to develop, the economic model must be studied so that a sustainable strategy can be replicated to apply to other organizations and regions.
- Solar energy economy needs support from the international community and the development of a wind atlas for the country will help enable the Rwandan government to develop a wind power network throughout the country.



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