

Micro-climatic Elements on Site

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Max Temp (°C)	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	37	36	35	34
Min Temp (°C)	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	28	27	26	25
Annual Rain (mm)	100	150	200	250	300	350	400	450	400	350	300	250
Annual Humidity (%)	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	84	83	82	81

Air Temperature

- Hottest in MAY, with 29.8 °C Mean Temperature and 29.4 °C Dry Bulb Temperature
- Annual Mean Temperature is 27.8 °C
- Annual Dry Bulb Temperature is 27.4 °C

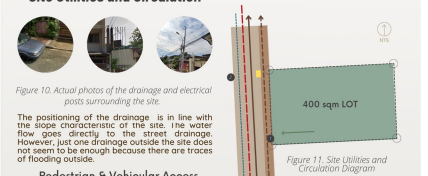
Atmospheric Humidity

- Relative Humidity - 78% (ANNUAL) - is the ratio of the amount of water vapor actually in the air to the maximum amount the air can hold at that temperature
- Highest Relative Humidity in AUGUST with 85% RH

Precipitation

- Highest number of rainy days during the months of JULY, AUGUST, and SEPTEMBER 21 rainy days
- Lowest number of rainy days during the month of FEBRUARY
- Annual number of rainy days is 143 days.

Site Utilities and Circulation



Prevailing Wind Direction

The Southeast prevailing winds are observed during the monsoon season, with a speed of 1 m/s. Southeast winds are more frequently observed from March to May. In an annual scale, Northern winds are the most frequently observed direction, with a speed of 1 m/s as well.

Pedestrian & Vehicular Access

The site has direct access for pedestrians from the street. It is facing in the west side, Matimatum Street. There are no public transportation routes like jeepneys that pass along Matimatum Street, except for the barangay tula. Private vehicles are mostly seen along the street.

Sewage

Barangay Teacher's Village is tapped to the East Avenue Sewage Treatment Plant.

Demographics

Student users at college level, under a parent or legal guardian, who have a monthly allowance of Php 18000.00 (De La Salle University, n.d).

Needs:

- Study spaces that are conducive for flexible learning setups.
- Dwelling spaces that can accommodate the lifestyles of a middle class individual living in solitude.

Middle class single users in Quezon City who have an average monthly income of Php 54,100.00 (Salary Explorer, n.d).

Needs:

- Spaces that are conducive for both flexible working and learning setups.
- Dwelling spaces that can accommodate the lifestyles of a middle class family living in solitude.

A middle class family unit that earns Php 62,245.93 monthly (Adrian, 2021).

Needs:

- Spaces that are conducive for both flexible working and learning setups.
- Dwelling spaces that can accommodate the lifestyles of a middle class family living as a single unit.

Legal Codes Size and Zoning

Size

- 16m by 25m
- 400-square meters

Zoning Classification

- Medium Density Residential Zone (R-2)

Road Right-of-Way (RROW)

- Quezon City, Teacher's Village, Quezon City
- 7.8 meters + 2 meters (both sidewalks)

Setbacks

- 3 meters with along the entire length of its property line adjoining an RT and R-1A district.

Building Height Limit (BHL)

- Not exceed twenty one (15) meters or five (5) stories

Allowable PSD

- 60% without Firewall at 240 sq. m.
- 70% with Firewall at 280 sq. m.

About the Project

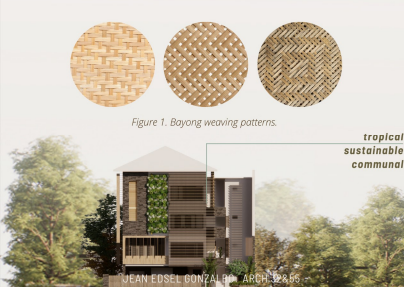
In response to the demand for urban residential spaces, cities have been revising land uses toward increasing residential densities. This project aims to design a multifamily housing project that will respond to the challenges of residential comfort and urban density.

Its objectives include: (1) adapting into the design the application of passive cooling, natural daylighting, and other climate-appropriate features; (2) Integrating conceptual structural, electrical, plumbing, mechanical, and waste disposal systems into the design; (3) providing safety, security, and privacy for all the users.

Design Concept

Paghbi is a multi-family dwelling that is essentially inspired by the Filipino basket weaver. It is wrapped around by several solar shading devices that emulate the form of a bayong. The crisscrossing vertical and horizontal patterns are deconstructed to form separate groups of louvers perpendicular and parallel to the ground. This building skin serves as the focal point of its entire exterior.

Paghbi aims to provide a space for dwelling for people of various demographics, intertwining concepts of sustainability, tropical architecture, and communalism.



Micro-climatic Considerations on Site

Topography & Water

The site is relatively flat. It is gently sloping down towards the street.

Surrounding Structures

The directly adjacent house to the left has 2 storeys, and is built through light-frame construction and only the first floor is made of concrete. The directly adjacent house to the right has 1 floor and it is made completely of concrete.

Ground Surfaces on Site

- Concrete road and concrete paved sidewalk in front of the site.
- Unpaved soil that allows for site vegetation inside the lot.

Soil Bearing Capacities in Quezon City

The surface geology of Quezon City is reported as turf, it can be generalized that the city is mostly made up of rocks. It is in this premise that the estimated soil bearing capacities in the different areas in Quezon City are relatively high.

High-rise buildings can be easily built in the area without many struggles in the foundation design. Because of this, settlement in the said area can be considered minimal, thus, structures can be built confidently to resist such phenomena (Dungca, 2020).



Development Cost

AREA/SPACE	SPACE FACTOR
Living Area (fully finished space)	1.20
Bedroom	1.00
Living Area	1.10
Common Area	1.00
Office Space	1.00
Kitchen	1.00
Bathroom	1.00
Storage	1.00
Laundry Area	1.00
Garage	1.00

General Space	Area	Space Factor	Use Cost Per Spm (PHP)	Total (PHP)
Kitchen	20.95	1.20	2500	62,625.00
Living Area	11.35	1.00	2500	28,375.00
Master Bedroom	30.40	1.00	2500	76,000.00
Bedroom 2	20.15	1.00	2500	50,375.00
Bedroom 3	16.80	1.00	2500	42,000.00
Bathroom 1	10.10	1.00	2500	25,250.00
Bathroom 2	10.10	1.00	2500	25,250.00
Laundry Area	8.30	1.00	2500	20,750.00
Garage	85.11	1.00	2500	212,775.00
TOTAL				678,850.00

Sustainability Goals & Manifesto

WATER

- Add rainwater harvesting system
- Redesign site vegetation
- Address signs of soil erosion

AIR

- Design according to the new normal
- Provide natural ventilation
- Use EDGE to cross-check the projected reduction in energy usage

ENERGY

- Provide natural lighting
- Use EDGE to cross-check the projected reduction in energy usage

This project is guided by several sustainability goals focusing on five main factors: WATER, AIR, ENERGY, GROUND, and HEALTH AND SAFETY. Every overlapping space means that a certain goal falls under those 2 categories. The accomplishment of these goals will be discussed as they appear in the

EDGE Sustainability Attainment

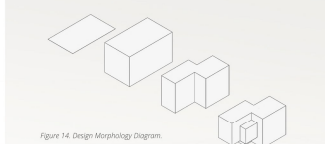
44.24% Meets EDGE Energy Standard

41.35% Meets EDGE Water Standard

40.23% Meets EDGE Material Standard

Paghbi, the multi-family dwelling meets significant EDGE standards for sustainability. This is a result of using certain materials and implementing specific building technologies for construction and design.

Design Morphology



The form started as a rectangle covering the maximum buildable area on site. It is extruded upwards, even more maximizing the site's buildable space in three dimension. It is cut around to give space on the site's entrance in front, and the site's present vegetation at the back. Finally, it is molded into what seems like a combination of blocks forming a unique shape in itself.

Zoning and Distribution of Spaces

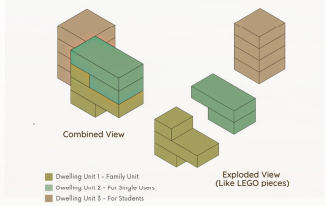


Figure 15. Zoning and Space Distribution Diagram.

- High window-to-wall ratio to allow for natural ventilation in the building
- Use of water-efficient faucets and showerheads, having a flow rate of 6L/min, equipped with aerators.
- Implementation of External Shading Devices that will collect solar heat gain.
- Use of water-efficient toilet bidets and water closets having flush rates of not more than 4L/flush.
- Use of easily sourced out materials like steel and concrete to lessen carbon footprint on local construction.
- Construction of windows that are primarily made of aluminum which is easily sourced out from the local market.
- Designing interiors that allow good natural ventilation. This project specifically prioritized cross-ventilation.
- Implementation of floor and wall insulation systems to effectively minimize heat gain and heat transfer.
- Use of EDGE-certified energy efficient appliances and electronic and mechanical devices (eg. ceiling fans and smart meters).
- Implementation of roof insulation with <100 mm insulating air gap.
- Construction of a rainwater harvesting system that will collect stormwater from the roofs.
- Use of reflective roofing material in order to minimize heat absorption of the roofs.

ARCHITECTURAL PLANS

Longitudinal Site Section

The site section is not cut orthogonally to show the depth of space and provide more details of the cut interiors.

- Master's Bedroom
- Bedroom
- Bedroom
- Bedroom
- Kitchen
- Living Room
- Master's Bath
- Master's Bedroom
- Master's Bathroom
- Kitchen
- Laundry Area
- Laundry Room
- Blue Parking
- Garage

Ground Floor Plan on Site

Second Floor Plan

Third Floor Plan

Fourth Floor Plan

Accurate window and door details were not shown well in these styled plans. For better precision, see Systems Integration.

Tropical Design Strategies

Orientation, Programming of Spaces, and Ventilation Solution

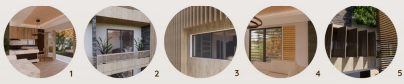


Figure 16. Rendered Floor Plans with Wind Flow Diagrams.

The spaces are designed primarily according to their orientation. 10 out of 11 bedrooms are placed facing the north side of the site to minimize extreme sun exposure. The other was not oriented towards north but is still protected, nonetheless, by effective solar shading devices. The balconies of the students' dwellings are facing North and East, with the best vistas (the greenery of the communal garden), because connecting with nature positively impacts mental health, especially that the target users are university students. Kitchens, dining areas, and living rooms are designed with an open layout to lessen the construction of interior walls. This will help in better air circulation and will facilitate for cross ventilation.

The ventilation solution in this housing project is shown through its space programming and choices of wall openings. Cross ventilation is present in all main spaces like kitchen and dining areas, living rooms, master bedrooms, and communal spaces like the student lounge and office spaces. There are five different wall openings present in this building that will help allow good air flow.

1. Accordion Louvered Doors - Present in Dwelling 1 kitchen which opens directly to the garden at the rear side of the site, and Student Lounge area.
2. Sliding Glass Doors for balconies
3. Sliding Glass Windows
4. Louvered windows - Every space with a sliding glass window is paired with a louvered window.
5. Balcony Louvered Single-Swing Windows - Also used as a sun-shading device.11



All windows are operable and are designed to give the users a choice whether they will open the space for natural air flow or choose to use the HVAC at their own discretion.

BEDROOM DWELLING UNIT 1

SECOND FLOOR, FACING BOTH SOUTH AND WEST.



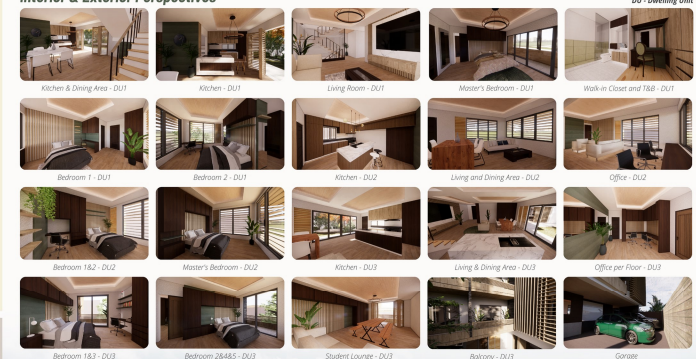
As stated, this is the only bedroom in the whole building that is not oriented towards the north; however, with an effective sun shading device in place, it is protected from the harsh afternoon sun. Photo on the left shows December 22 at 4pm, the sun with the lowest angle. Without the louvers, it clearly shows that the sunlight fills the room completely.

LIVING ROOM DWELLING UNIT 1

SECOND FLOOR, FACING BOTH NORTH AND EAST.



Interior & Exterior Perspectives



- ### Materials for Interiors
- Composite Wood for Cabinetry with Walnut Veneer Finish
 - Synthetic Basalt Stone for Accent Walls
 - Laminate Wood Flooring with Light Colored Wood
 - White Stucco Cement Plaster Finish
 - Larch Wood for Wall Vertical Aesthetics



Rainwater Solution

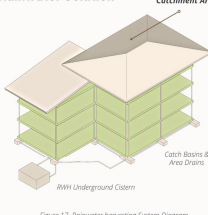


Figure 17. Rainwater Harvesting System Diagram.

A rainwater harvesting system will be constructed in the multi-family dwelling project. Constructing a RWH system provides many benefits. As a tropical country with abundant rain, rainwater collection is a must. It will help in decreasing the consumption of mains water.

As per the Climatological Normals From PAGASA, there is an annual precipitation of 2785 mm in Metro Manila. With a 233 m² catchment area, this RWH system can potentially save an annual accumulative amount of 64800 liters of rainwater.

Rooftop Catchment Area (in m²) x Annual Precipitation (in mm) = potential water collection (in liters)

Additionally, a rainwater harvesting system helps protect ground health. Having the storm water flow through a planned plumbing system lessens the surface runoff. This will address the signs of soil erosion found on site. The diagram shows the drain pipes directing rainwater from the roof to a catch basin all going to the underground rainwater cistern. See the Systems Integration for the detailed plans.

The Skin



The design concept of this project in terms of its form and exterior aesthetics focused mainly on its series of solar shading louvers, acting like the outermost skin of the building. In order to achieve the 100% solar ray coverage, multiple sun and shadow simulations were done. It arrived to having several patterns of vertical and horizontal louvers around the exterior.

Aside from louvers there are other shading devices used as well. Located at the balcony on the west side of site (front) is the operable wooden window that can shield even the balcony itself from sun's heat (A). On the same side of the building there is also a vertical green wall that can possibly serve as a first layer protection from the sun's heat (B).

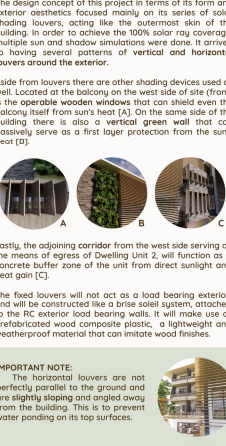
Lastly, the adjoining corridor from the west side serving as the means of egress of Dwelling Unit 2, will function as a concrete buffer zone of the unit from direct sunlight and heat gain (C).

The fixed louvers will not act as a load bearing exterior, and will be constructed like a brise soleil system, attached to the RC exterior load bearing walls. It will make use of prefabricated wood composite plastic, a lightweight and weatherproof material that can imitate wood finishes.

IMPORTANT NOTE: The horizontal louvers are not perfectly parallel to the ground and are slightly sloping and angled away from the building. This is to prevent water ponding on its top surfaces.

Paghabi, A building covered with Exterior Sun Shading Louvers and other Solar Shading Devices.

Sun Shading and Heat Gain Solution



Sun and Shadow Simulations



SYSTEMS INTEGRATION

Structural Plan

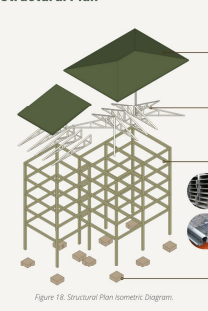


Figure 18. Structural Plan Isometric Diagram.

Electrical Plan (Power Layout Plan)

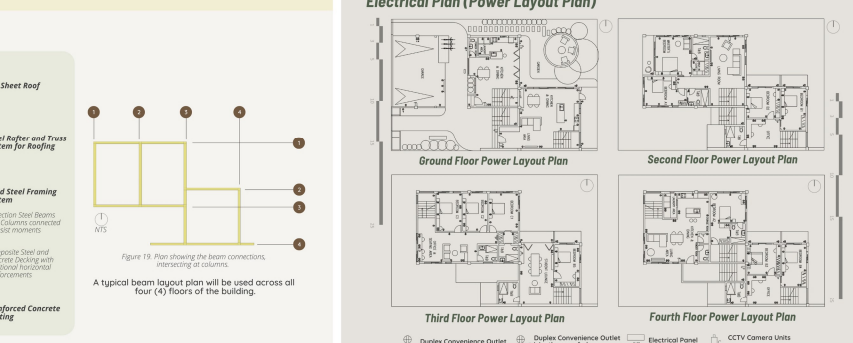
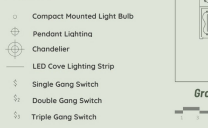


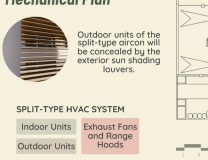
Figure 19. Plan showing the beam connections, intersecting at columns.

A typical beam layout plan will be used across all four (4) floors of the building.

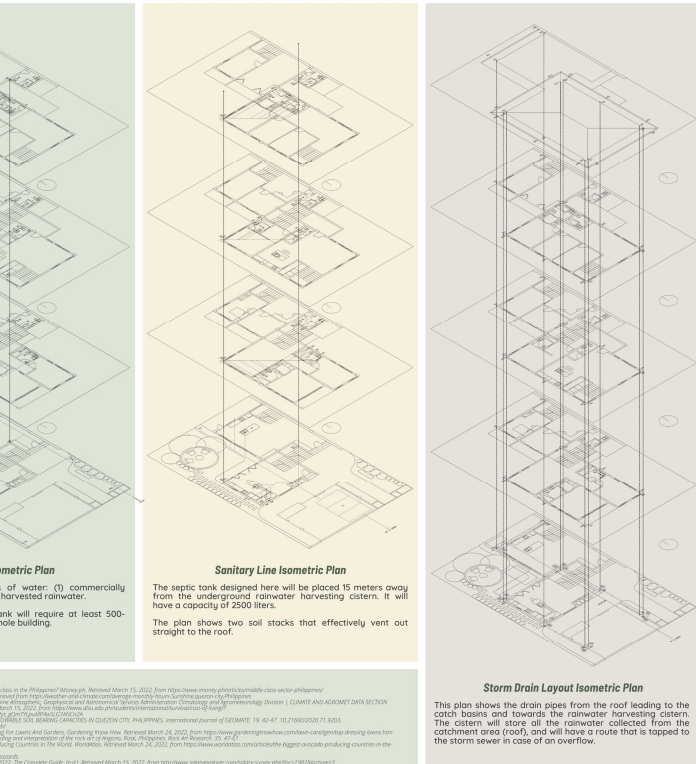
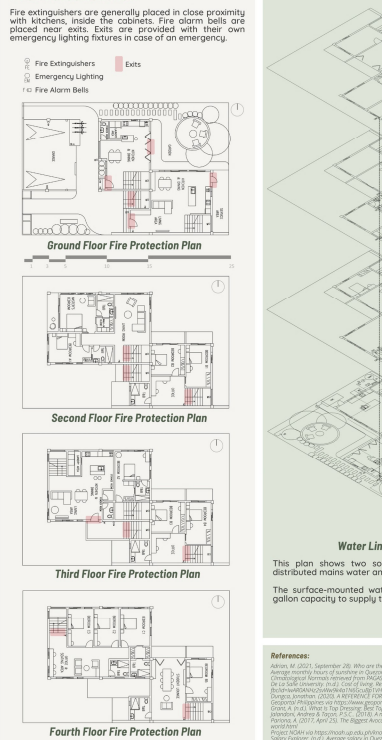
Electrical Plan (Reflected Ceiling Layout)



Mechanical Plan



Fire Protection Plan



Storm Drain Layout Isometric Plan

This plan shows the drain pipes from the roof leading to the catch basins and towards the rainwater harvesting cistern. The cistern will store all the rainwater collected from the catchment area (roof) and will have a route that is tapped to the storm sewer in case of an overflow.

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