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CIDS, an award winning facility, provides the opportunity to interweave scholarship with academia, professional development with research and service at local and national levels, and infuse creativity into collaborative student teamwork. CIDS establishes a theoretical and procedural foundation for the effective utilization of digital media in the design and collaborative process. As important are the skills, awareness and attitudes that students need to develop to succeed in the current media driven environment.

CIDS exists as a bridge between diverse disciplines and systems of learning. Its focus on digital media is a necessary enhancement to the design process, and decisions made concurrent with that process.

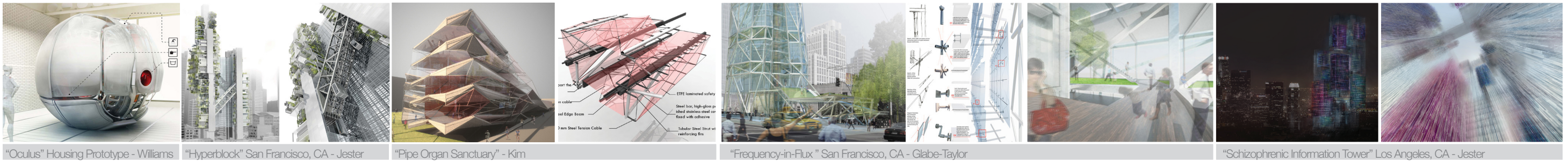
CIDS hires 1-2 work study students a year who are guided in developing selected proposals and who assist both with the development of the longer term design/build projects, as well as relevant daily activities. CIDS makes for an unique learning environment which continually assists students in giving voice to individual creativity, and which evolves as the learners grow.

1,500 students from 11 disciplines have developed over 80 projects, with in-kind donations from faculty and industry professionals. Since the program began in 1997 this has amounted to well over 12,000 hours.

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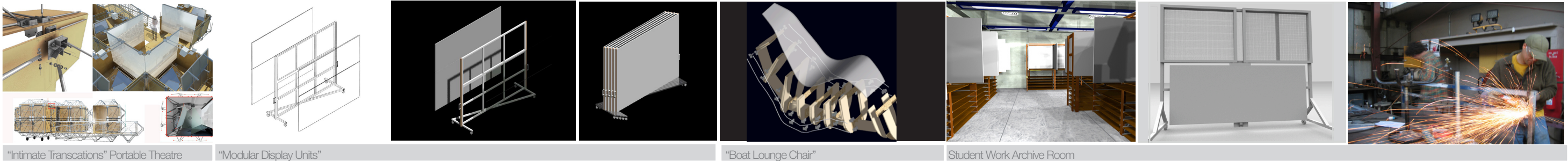
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