

assigned September 12, 2006

due September 19, 2006

HOMEWORK #1 Thinking about daylight

Select three interior spaces that you know well (e.g. at MIT, at home, in a public building) and for each one:

1. Describe its function (what it is used for) and its general properties (size, situation in the building, type and arrangement of furniture if any, wall colors, specificities if any)
2. Give your own opinion about its (day)lighting quality: adequate or inadequate, what is right and wrong in the way (day)lighting is treated
3. Define what you would think of an adequate lighting treatment for this particular space in terms of atmosphere, effects, requirements for being comfortable and/or for performing activities, and of energy savings issues

Design project: Get together !

By September 19, decide whom you will team up with for the design project in the Stata Center. Preferably 3 students per team.

Also, if you haven't already, walk around in the building, explore different floors, and pick up a few spaces (3-4 spaces, preferably quite different in their characteristics) that raise your interest as far as daylighting and solar gains issues are concerned.