

Community Organizations Group Project Ideation

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Idea 1:

In what ways might we critique in a better way so that our ideas are taken in a good way and not as an offense?

Idea 1: What is the problem?

- Are we avoiding confrontation?
- Are we afraid of being judged because of our feedback?
- Are we staying in our comfort zone?



Idea 1: How will we explore the problem?

- Share experiences of “constructive critique” vs. “unhelpful critique”
 - Research an author or keynote speaker in this area of expertise.
 - Organize an event that brings students together:
 - Encourage students to have a conversation about what critique means.



Idea 2:

In what ways might we practice the sustainability operations we preach in a classroom setting?

Idea 2: What is the problem?

- The school exercises some sustainability operations.
- We do not apply what we learn on our day-to-day projects.



Idea 2: How will we explore the problem?

- Overlap classes: sustainable systems and space/materiality
- How can we cross apply the information?
- How can professors design projects that work with materials in a sustainable way?



Idea 3:

In what ways might we encourage school spirit and increase activity for school functions?

Idea 3: What is the problem?

- Unique focus on academics and career exploration.
 - Rarely any school spirit initiatives.
- Students do not feel a sense of community like traditional colleges enjoy:
 - Universities like NYU or Columbia University.
 - School gear and school council-led events.



Idea 3: How will we explore the problem?

- Market The New School merchandise other than store.
- Monthly, communal lemonade stand.
 - Collaboration with The New School's "First Fridays."
- Work with Parsons Student Senate.
 - Increase participation from students:
 - incentivizing
 - competitions, etc.



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