Are you passionate about housing? Do you believe that the places people live greatly influence their health and wellbeing? Would you like to explore how amenities can strengthen community?

Join us!
Program Scope:
In this graduate studio you will design a multi-family housing building in the city of Chicago. The project will feature 100-200 units with amenity rich programming. The focus of the studio will be exploring the shift in housing amenities in response to health, wellness, economic, and social concerns. Studio projects will propose new directions for how amenities build community within multi-family buildings and their neighborhoods.

Research:
Design solutions will be informed by WELL building standards and the AIA Framework For Design Excellence. You will research these standards and prepare a competition response to the AIA COTE Top 10 for Students.

Culture:
Studio culture will be innovative, collaborative, and rigorous. You will work in teams assigned by the Professors. The course will be held virtually. Research based, data informed solutions will yield positive results through an iterative design process. Sketching and 3D modeling will be utilized. Presentations will be digital.

Professionals + Professors:
The studio will feature frequent visitors including outside speakers in design, development, and construction. Students will gain real world networking experience and an appreciation of how to move projects forward.

The studio will be co-lead by Trina Sandchafer, AIA, Distinguished Visiting Professor, and Professor Christina Bollo, PhD.