

AAE 453/653 VISIONARY AND UTOPIAN ARCHITECTURE: PLATO TO BLADERUNNER

Assignment #1: More's *Utopia*

a) Draw an image of one element of Utopia's built form, based on Sir Thomas More's text. You may choose the particular element/aspect which you depict; the scale can range from an aerial view to an interior space.

b) Prepare a 5 minute presentation explaining what you have drawn; the purpose of the presentation is to explain/justify the choices you have made in giving a visual form to More's words.

Parameters:

- The drawing may be either an axonometric (cut-away or solid, as best suited to depicting the scene you choose) or a bird's-eye "perspective."
- Your image must fit on an 11" X 14" sheet.
- You may use any media you like, so long as the final result can be reproduced by xeroxing (color xeroxing is okay).

Evaluation:

Your work will be evaluated based on the following:

- accuracy in adhering to More's descriptions
- creativity in filling in what More doesn't say when describing the built form/space you select
- quality of graphic presentation
- content and clarity of your presentation

Have fun!