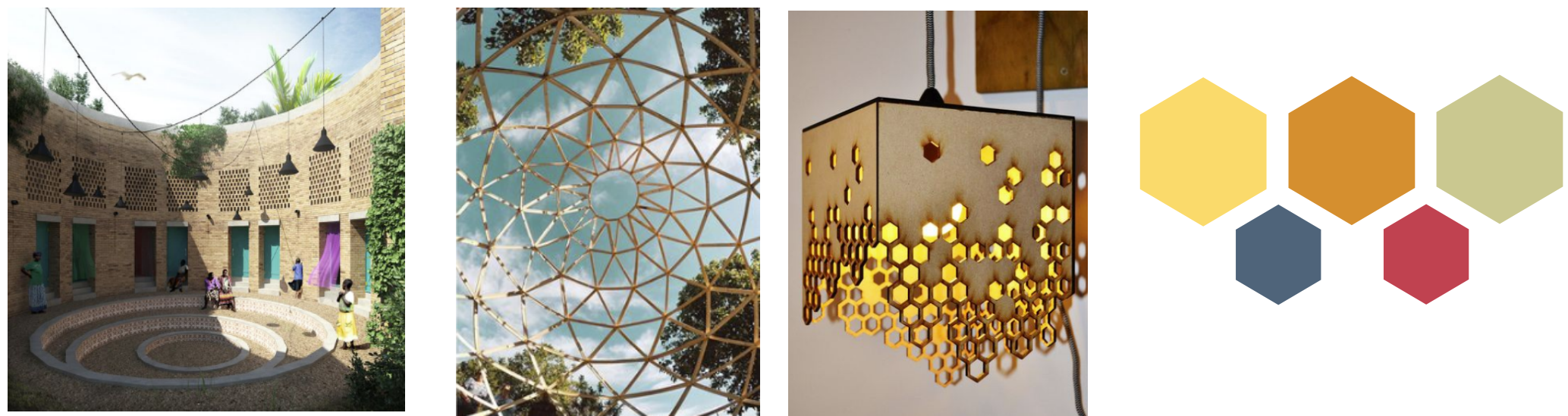


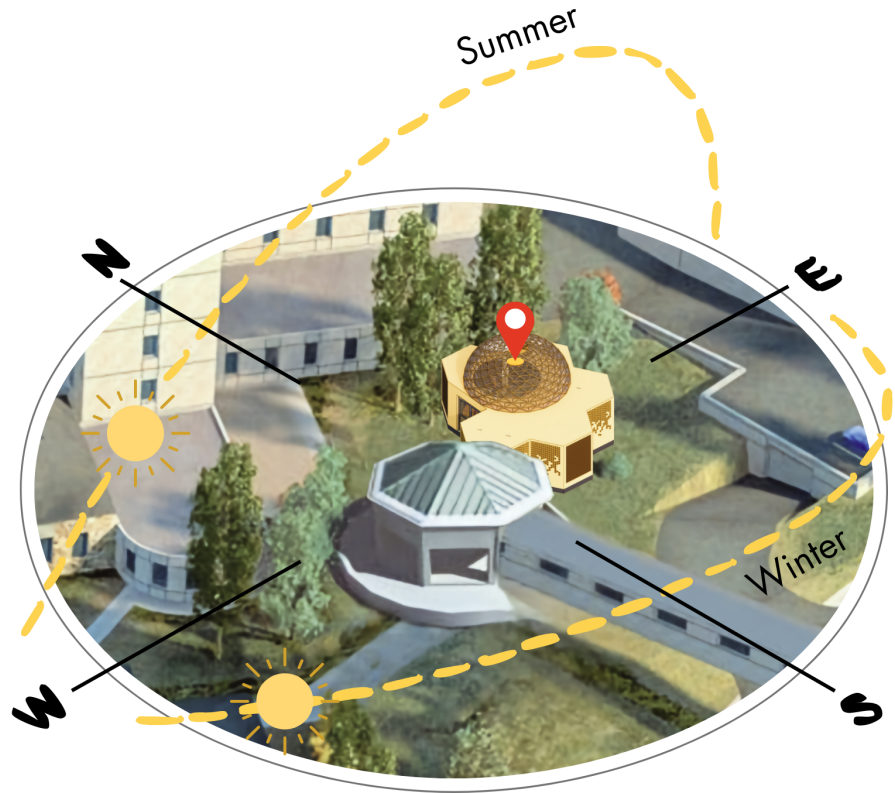
The Hive

Inspiration Board



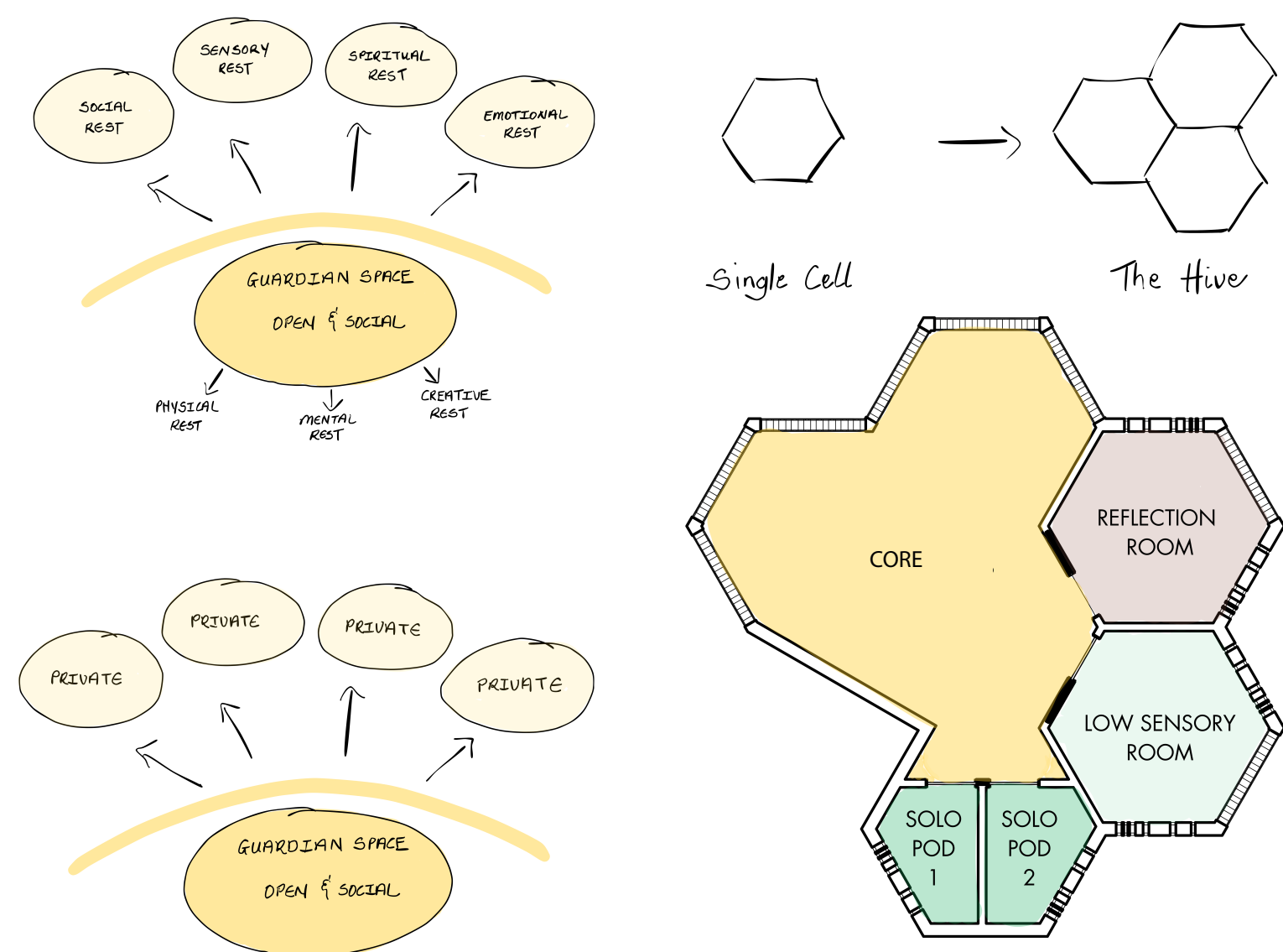
Site Analysis

- Nestled in a corner on campus with high foot traffic
- The glass-framed dome allows central light in the space during summer and winter
- The private areas are oriented towards



Design Concept

Today's college students need to keep their mental health protected. The Hive is an on-campus space and resource for college students to restore and respite themselves through the school day. Inspired from the role of guardian bees, this space allows for socialness and movement in the heart of the design, protecting and creating a “barrier” for the secondary private spaces. Guardian bees are darker in color compared to the rest of the colony so the colors in the smaller - private spaces will be darker colored than the public community-centered area. This represents the protective characteristic guardian bees have in the smaller spaces, and the socialness and movement aspect of guardian bees in the public space.



Core Room
(295 SF)

Reflection Room
(84 SF)

Low - Sensory Room
(84 SF)

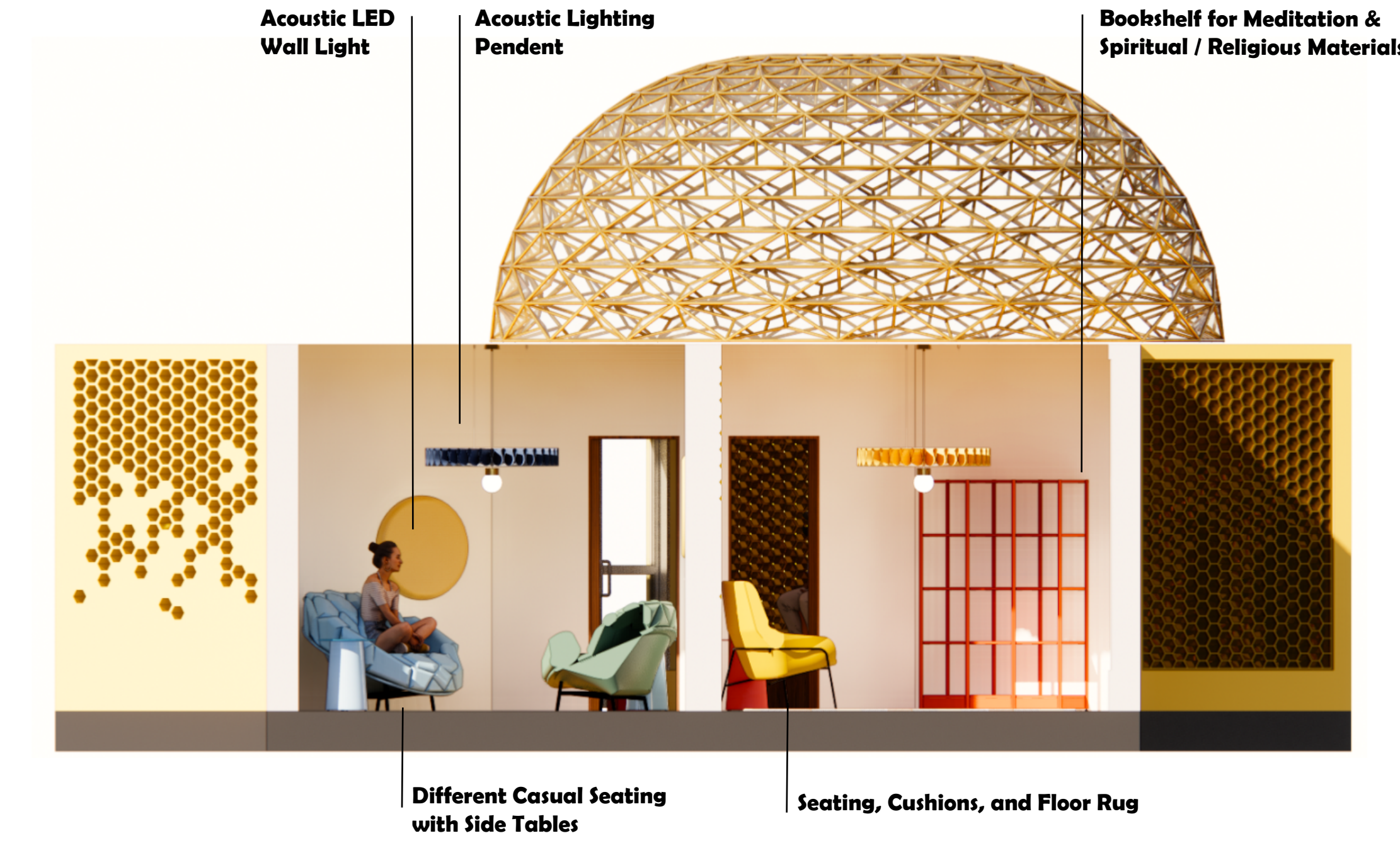
Solo Pod
(30 SF)

Floor Plan (NTS)



Core Perspective

Acting as both the entrance and social hub, the flexible seating and unique shape of the Core encourages conversation between users.



Section (NTS)



Low - Sensory Room Perspective

Utilizing blues and softer edges, users can take a mental sensory break away from the stressors of college life.



Solo Pod Perspective

A solitary space is provided for those who need alone time to rejuvenate and revitalize themselves.

Narrative

The overall design is inspired by the hexagonal prismatic cells of the honeycomb, as this shape is often associated with transformation. Working within the beehive are **guardian bees** located at the front whose primary role is protecting the beehive from threats. They are generally larger and darker in color. In keeping with the characteristics of the guardian bee, **the front of the space protects the other private areas** in the space. This Core space also acts as the heart of The Hive and the social hub, creating a community environment. Movable furniture exists in this area, so people can use the space based on their interpretation, whether in a group or individually. The space is generally larger than the other private areas, reflecting the guardian bees' larger size.

While the Core Room of The Hive aids **physical, mental, and creative rest**, the other private areas aid **social, sensory, spiritual, and emotional rest**. This was designed to cater to individuals' different needs for rest and restoration. These spaces are intended to be darker in color to reflect the guardian bees within the beehive. Although these spaces are not active working spaces, they are spaces where individuals can work on their mental health and wellness.

Remembering that nature also plays a big part in restoration and wellness; the Core room has a glass dome that lets **diffused light** enter the space. This allows individuals to feel the sun's warmth and see the sky through its seasons. Private areas have **controlled sunlight** access with hexagonal glass cutouts that allow natural light to come in. **Overall, The Hive is designed to be a transformative space that heals, relaxes, and restores.**

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