Connectivity
the state or extent of being connected or interconnected

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Atrium, Edelstone Center
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Luke Joyner is a lecturer in the University’s Urban Architecture & Design studio initiative, and teaches studio/seminar hybrid courses based in the Art History department. He has a Masters in Urban Design from the City University of New York, and has been a teacher at every level from preschool to college. He’s been interested in cities since at least the age of 3, and loves more than anything to explore them.