

URBAN SOCIOLOGY

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Teaching Language:

English

Course Content:

The course of Urban Sociology promotes a critical approach to urban planning, architecture and design.

The course has both a theoretical and a methodological approach. Students are first introduced to a set of concepts of sociology and other social sciences and to a theoretical framework on the relationship between people, space and the city. Then the course presents a wide range of research tools to study what people do to and with architecture.

Suggested Readings:

The reading list is available in the course online page at:
<http://sociology.and.architecture.googlepages.com/>

Learning Objectives:

The course aims to develop students' sensitivity about the multifaceted relationship between their intentions and the interpretations of those intentions by final users/inhabitants of what they design. Students will acquire methodological knowledge of research tools to study social production of space.

Teaching Methods:

The course promotes students' active involvement, through class discussions, group work and fieldwork to practice empirical research methods.

Type of Assessment:

Students attending the course will be graded through individual and group works, deliveries and presentations to the class.

Students who cannot attend the course can take a written exam on a list of readings. The reading list is available in the course online page at:
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Program:

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