COURSE OUTLINE

(1) GENERAL

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INDEPENDENT TEACHING ACTIVITIES
if credits are awarded for separate components of the course, e.g. lectures, laboratory exercises, etc. If the credits are awarded for the whole of the course, give the weekly teaching hours and the total credits

| Lectures - Theory, Laboratory Exercises-Design Practice-Project | 6+6 | 12 |

Add rows if necessary. The organisation of teaching and the teaching methods used are described in detail at (d).

COURSE TYPE
private background, special background, specialised general knowledge, skills development

General background

PREREQUISITE COURSES:

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LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION
and EXAMINATIONS:

Greek

IS THE COURSE OFFERED TO ERASMUS STUDENTS:

Yes


(2) LEARNING OUTCOMES

Learning outcomes
The course learning outcomes, specific knowledge, skills and competences of an appropriate level, which the students will acquire with the successful completion of the course are described.

Consult Appendix A

• Description of the level of learning outcomes for each qualifications cycle, according to the Qualifications Framework of the European Higher Education Area
• Descriptors for Levels 6, 7 & 8 of the European Qualifications Framework for Lifelong Learning and Appendix B
• Guidelines for writing Learning Outcomes

Architectural design constitutes the core of architectural studies. In it, architectural questions are addressed in a way synthesising the individual knowledge and skills that students acquire along the other courses.

Architectural design may be epistemologically defined as a decision-making process negotiating the possible synthesis of the conflicting requirements of aesthetics, function and technique. This specificity identifies a distinct identity, characterising architecture as an independent mental process, distinct from both art and science. At the same time, architectural design produces the spatial and social configuration of human desires (in other words, human representations of needs) in their correlation with nature. Therefore, ekistics, in general, are identified as the spatial configuration of human culture(s).

This, hands-on, laboratory design course is based on the direct dialogue and interrelation of theory and practice, in the sense of applied reasoning and critical acting. Students are expected to follow a primarily analytical path, in order to construct a conscious architectural ‘language’. Following the same
analytical pedagogy with the first semester, students are asked to understand and reiterate architectural questions and to be able to argue for and against specific design positions. The overall theme of the course, along the different exercises and lectures, is human dwelling as a cultural practice and an architectural problem. In this semester, the overall multiple synthesis of Anthropos, society, nature, networks and building shells is contextualised in the light of 20th and 21st century architectural discourse. Students work towards constructing a concise architectural array of methods.

Aims and Objectives:

On a theoretical and an applied level, the course aims and objectives are defined as follows:

a. theory of architectural design: The aim is to introduce students in architectural speech (written and designed) through their familiarity with basic diachronic components of architectural thinking (with emphasis on the 20th and the 21st century). In the specific context of the second semester, students are asked to situate architectural practice and methods in their interrelation with parameters defining the inherent and external dynamics forming space.

b. design practice: through a series of step-by-step exercises, students are invited to work on fundamental concepts, such as those mentioned in the theoretical entity of the course. It is considered crucial that, before students facing integrated architectural problems, should acquire a basic efficiency in their ability to understand and properly organize a creative approach. During this term, students have to deal with the proper use of design codes and systems, the drafting of proposals that may be placed accurately within the architectural community, the clear presentation and support of their ideas, the ability to review the work of others, the ability to operate both in groups and individually, the productive use of available resources and the appropriate organization of workloads and the available time. Students are asked first to redesign a project they had worked on during the first semester (following a critical colloquium). They then follow with the analysis of a specific architectural project as far as both its architectural attributes and its context of inscription and production are concerned. They are then asked to analyse (following a concise bibliographical and field research method) an example of a larger scale architectural and urban project, in order to finalise their studies with an attempt to apply specific design methods at a series of interconnected urban voids at the dense urban network of Ioannina.

These two modules of the course are treated on the basis of promoting the unity of theoretical and applied architectural thinking and practice.

Method:
The course invests on the cultivation of both, group and individual participation, in a creative interaction with the teaching team. Lectures, screenings, textual references and design case studies act as triggers for discussion, practice and experimentation. The relevant exercises climax in their complexity and the multiplicity of the factors at hand. Students’ empirical knowledge is triggered together with the latter being informed in a more formal way.
General Competences

Taking into consideration the general competences that the degree-holder must acquire (as these appear in the Diploma Supplement and appear below), at which of the following does the course aim?

- Search for, analysis and synthesis of data and information, with the use of the necessary technology
- Adapting to new situations
- Decision-making
- Working independently
- Team work
- Working in an international environment
- Working in an interdisciplinary environment
- Production of new research ideas
- Project planning and management
- Respect for difference and multiculturalism
- Respect for the natural environment
- Showing social, professional and ethical responsibility and sensitivity to gender issues
- Criticism and self-criticism
- Production of free, creative and inductive thinking
- Others...

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(3) SYLLABUS

i. Course and Teaching Group Presentation.
   Projection-discussion: *Reappraising our work*
   First exercise: Announcement, elaboration and discussion.

ii. Lecture: *From the Spoon to the City*
   First exercise: elaboration and supervision.

iii. Lecture: *Architecture and Nature*
    Video projection - Discussion
    First exercise: elaboration and supervision.

iv. Visit at Aspra Spitia, by C. A. Doxiadis
    Lecture: *Ekistics and architecture in transition*

v. Presentation and discussion on field research.
    Projection – Discussion
    First exercise: elaboration and supervision.

vi. Presentation and critique of the first exercise.
    Lecture: *Architecture and Anthropos*

vii. Lecture: *Architecture and “Architecture”*
    Second exercise: Announcement, elaboration and discussion.
viii. Lecture: Architecture and Society  
Elaboration and Supervision of the second exercise.

ix. Lecture: Architecture and Technology (Machines and Networks)  
Elaboration and Supervision of the second exercise.

x. Reading Seminar  
Interim presentation of the second exercise.

xi. Lecture: Architecture as the Field of Synthesis: Between the Scales  
Elaboration and Supervision of the second exercise.

xii. Elaboration and Supervision of the second exercise.

xiii. Final Presentation and Critique. Review of the Course.

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### (4) TEACHING and LEARNING METHODS - EVALUATION

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<td>• e-class: use of an electronic platform for continuous documentation, management of the educational material and communication of the teaching team members with students.</td>
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<td>• Weekly feedback via email.</td>
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<td>• Group function in social networks for continuous posting, updates, and other material information and discussion in real time regarding issues arising at the interval time between class meetings.</td>
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<td>• Provision of School website and social media use to post educational material aimed at opening the course also to the wider community.</td>
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| TEACHING METHODS | The manner and methods of teaching are described in detail. Lectures, seminars, laboratory practice, fieldwork, study and analysis of bibliography, tutorials, placements, clinical practice, art workshop, interactive teaching, educational visits, project, essay writing, artistic creativity, etc. | |
| Activity | Semester workload |
| lectures | 30 |
| Seminars (essays, projections) | 30 |
| Design practice | 80 |
| Project development | 100 |
| Presentation-critique | 30 |
| independent study | 20 |
| Bibliographic Study | 10 |
| Course total (25 hours workload per credit unit) | 300 |

| STUDENT PERFORMANCE EVALUATION | Description of the evaluation procedure |
| I. Semestrial Interim Task (exercises) | |
Language of evaluation, methods of evaluation, summative or conclusive, multiple choice questionnaires, short-answer questions, open-ended questions, problem solving, written work, essay/report, oral examination, public presentation, laboratory work, clinical examination of patient, art interpretation, other

Specifically-defined evaluation criteria are given, and if and where they are accessible to students.

Presentation (70%):
- Evaluation Language: Greek
- Evaluation method: Continuous formative assessment-evaluation

II. Public Presentation / Final Work Support (30%):
- Evaluation Language: Greek

The methods and the evaluation criteria are presented and explained at the introductory presentation of the course and are accessible through the electronic e-class platform of the course.

(5) ATTACHED BIBLIOGRAPHY

- Suggested bibliography:

- Related academic journals:
  - DOMES, International Architecture Review
  - El Croquis
  - AD
  - Casabella
  - DOMUS
  - Detail