

Course Syllabus

Course Code	Course Title	ECTS Credits	
ARCH-141	History of Architecture I	4	
Prerequisites	Department	Semester	
None	Architecture	Fall	
Type of Course	Field	Language of Instruction	
Required	Architecture	English	
Level of Course	Lecturer(s)	Year of Study	
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Mode of Delivery	Work Placement	Corequisites	
Face to face	N/A		

Course Objectives:

The main objectives of the course are to:

- Present the historical development of Architecture from Prehistory and up to the Industrial Revolution.
- Emphasize the theoretical aspects of Architecture.
- Highlight key historical moments in the evolution of Architecture.
- Study the interrelationship of Architecture, Urban Development, Culture and Technology through selected and comprehensive historical paradigms.
- Assist students in developing the basic skills required in Architectural Historical Research.
- Promote critical thinking capacity through discussion.
- Present students with the necessary tools to write and speak clearly, concisely and logically about seminal historical concepts of architecture.

Learning Outcomes:

After completion of the course students are expected to be able to:

- 1. Recall the main architectural historical periods from the prehistoric times to the Industrial Revolution.
- 2. List the main stylistic characteristics of each historic period
- 3. Summarize the social, economic and technological environment affecting architectural evolution.
- 4. Describe verbally and in writing the main characteristics of historically seminal buildings.
- 5. Produce sketches and diagrams highlighting principal ideology, aspects and key



features.

- 6. Analyze the characteristics of architecture's historical evolution.
- 7. Point out aspects of architecture utilized as societal, cultural and political statements.
- 8. Formulate a mature and personal stance regarding key moments in the historical evolution architecture, and therefore devise a unique understanding of the present state of architecture.
- 9. Evaluate the appropriateness of historic ideologies utilized in the implementation of the built environment.

Course Content:

- 1. Ancient Egypt
- 2. Minoan, Mycenaean
- 3. Ancient Greece (early)
- 4. Ancient Greece (High)
- 5. Etruscan / Early Roman
- 6. Later Roman
- 7. Byzantine
- 8. Romanesque
- 9. Gothic (early)
- 10. Renaissance
- 11. Baroque / Rococo

Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:

Lectures, individual work, student participation, analytical sketching, annotating, writing, reading

Assessment Methods:

Weekly Assignments, Midterm Exam, Final Exam, Attendance and Participation.

Required Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Architecture, from Pre- history to Post- modernism	Marvin Trachtenberg & Isabelle Hyman	Harry N. Abrams, Inc. (United States)	2002	9780810906075



Recommended Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
The Penguin Dictionary of Architecture and Landscape Architecture	John Fleming Nikolaus Pevsner Hugh Honour	Penguin Reference Books	1992	13: 978-0140513233
Illustrated Dictionary of Architecture	Ernest Burden	McGraw- Hill Education	2012	9780071772938