University of Nicosia, Cyprus ARCH-591 Design Project

Course Code	Course Title	Credits (ECTS)
ARCH-591	Design Project	20
Department	Semester	Prerequisites
Architecture	spring	All core & concentration
		courses
Type of Course	Field	Language of Instruction
Elective	MA in Architectural Design	English
Level of Course	Year of Study	Lecturer
2 nd cycle	1st	3 advisors
Mode of Delivery	Work Placement	Co-requisites
face-to-face	N/A	None

Objectives of the Course:

- To enhance theoretical knowledge on practical applications
- All design projects should show evidence of advanced and innovative explorations in a diverse spectrum of fields of investigation, through a detailed examination of a built proposal.
- Identify and debate on the various factors that influence their design decisions.
- To gain knowledge and experience on working on a design project, by responding to a variety of questions such as social, environmental, economic disputes.
- Develop contemporary and innovative perspective in their fields of study.
- Cultivate problem solving skills through "research by design"

Learning Outcomes:

- Develop an ability to apply theoretical research to practical problems
- Be able to apply specialised knowledge into the design of build environments relative to the field of each student's concentration
- Be able to contact a critical analysis and evaluation of the design proposal.
- Be able to think in an innovative and creative way
- Be able to make an oral presentation, focusing on the main theoretical issues that relate to the design decisions.
- Develop the ability to formulate, interpret and communicate appropriate concepts derived from contextual studies and theoretical research.

Course Contents:

- Individual meetings with participants to develop project
- Workshops between all master students
- Seminars that enhance active exchange of views
- Final presentation to a panel of experts
- Development of a design project report (2000 words)

Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:

- Student/tutor interaction (supervision and consultation)
- Individual instruction and meetings
- Workshops
- Small series of seminars

Assessment Methods:

- Ability to complete an in-depth complex design project
- Concept and Project development through the seminars, tutorials and quality of design work.
- FINAL PRESENTATION of the final project
- Final written essay _ DESIGN REPORT
- Portfolio assessment

Recommended Textbooks/Reading:

List ranges on the research interests of individual participant.