

UPD 8202 Seminar Series

Description

The course helps students to further reinforce the knowledge acquired in the first seminar series and to enable them to discuss issues pertaining to the Urban Design Project material.

Objectives

The aims of the course are:

- To develop the students ability to carry out scientific research for the Urban Design Project theme
- To develop the students skills in technical writing and design
- To develop the student's presentation skills.

Course Content

The content is both in terms of skill and technical content.

1. Technical content: This depends on the problem addressed. The student is expected to show understanding and comprehension of the subject matter. **[15 CU]**
2. Skill content: a student is expected to show ability to comprehend scientific literature, correctly make a technical design/report and competently prepare and make an academic presentation **[15 CU]**

Teaching and Learning Pattern

Students will be given broad areas of study together with research questions to address by the beginning of the second semester. Each student will be given a senior staff from whom they can get advice and guidance whenever necessary. The student will then be required to address a design project problem. The student will then be required to present his/her work to the staff and his/her peers. As part of the course, the student will also be obliged to attend all (weekly) research talks in the school.

Mode of Assessment

Assessment will be made up of 4 parts:

- Attendance of weekly research talks (Semester 2) 10%
- Report write up 50%
- Presentation 20%
- Knowledge of subject matter 20%

Recommended Reference Books/ Literature

The textbooks and articles will depend on the problem being addressed.