

Course Description

The overall design and building processes are intricate and interconnected with various disciplines. Each architectural design is unique and encompasses its own considerations in terms of design and construction processes. Given these perspectives, this course, while taking into account ethical and legal frameworks, aims to assist students in enhancing their professional outlook. This includes their participation in integrated design teams and the exploration of innovative approaches to managing complex designs within building environments.

This course delves into the content and context of ethical principles within architectural design and building processes, as well as their interactions with stakeholders. It also encompasses concepts and methods related to design management, design and construction planning, project organization, and the management of knowledge, time, cost, quality, and risks, all grounded in the realities of professional life. Furthermore, the course is expected to make a meaningful contribution to the professional field by addressing ethical concerns.

Course Objectives

The course aims to highlight the responsibilities of architects to the public, encompassing aspects such as registration laws, building codes, contracts, environmental considerations, preservation, and open spaces. It serves as a platform for defining both legal principles and ethical concerns in architectural practice. Additionally, the course places a strong emphasis on imparting foundational knowledge to offer insights into the intricacies of design and construction processes.

Furthermore, the course is meticulously structured to provide a comprehensive overview of design management skills, competencies, and tasks. Its objective is to analyse systems, strategies, and management principles within the building environment, all while adhering to ethical values.

Learning Outcomes

1. Defines principles of design and building/construction management with its processes
2. Defines ethical values and norms for architects in building environment.
3. Identifies project management concepts and methods commonly used in design and be able to apply them to processes planned based on ethical values.
4. Plan design strategies for complex processes for integrated design teams.
5. Determine balance between time, cost, quality in design management.
6. Analyse risks in design and building/construction processes.

Academical Ethics:

In the context of the joint educational and learning process of this lecture, it is essential to uphold proper academic behaviours, which are outlined as follows:

- Demonstrate respect for others, ensuring that everyone can derive maximum benefit from educational opportunities.
- Avoid presenting or claiming anyone else's work as your own.
- Always provide proper references when using or showcasing someone else's work.
- Be responsible and considerate toward your group members when collaborating on projects or assignments.
- Attend and actively participate in all scheduled studies, meeting deadlines and fulfilling your commitments.
- Acknowledge and appreciate the contributions and achievements of others.

-Above all, maintain honesty and an openhearted approach in all academic endeavours, recognizing the importance of integrity in your work.

Opposite behaviour may cause failure and disciplinary executions.

(*adapted from Prof.Dr. Selahattin Önür 's work on academic ethics.

Teaching Policy:

Study: The primary objective of this class is to facilitate the analysis and synthesis of design and construction processes within the building environment. This will be achieved through the integration of theoretical knowledge with practical skills.

Education Method: The course will employ various teaching methods to achieve its objectives, including lectures, assignments, presentations, discussions, self-study, and self-education.

Reading Assignments: Students will be assigned a series of texts, including articles and papers, to enhance their understanding of the subject matter.

Case Studies: The course will revolve around case studies, with assigned tasks directly related to the course content. These case studies will provide practical insights and real-world applications.

Guest Professionals: To enrich the learning experience, visiting professionals relevant to the course topics will be invited to share their expertise and insights with students

Grading:

Each student fails in case of not attending %30 of total course hours

Mid-Term Exam.....(40%)

Final Exam - Case Study (Project Delivery Process in Turkey)(60%)

(submission will be made during the final weeks)

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SCHEDULE

Week

1 / 30-09-2025

Introduction, Design, Design management concepts and methods

2 / 07-10-2025

Architectural Design Process

Building process, design/construction/ in use

Building programming, stakeholders / processes

3 / 14-10-2025

Architectural Design Process

(the stakeholders/parties involved and their roles, responsibilities, capabilities and tasks)

Management Acts / Planning, Problem Solving, Decision Making, Control, Communication

4 / 21-10-2025

Management Facts/ Organization, Coordination, Efficiency, Standardization, Constraints

5 / 28-10-2025

National Day

6 / 04-11-2025

Integrated design team organisation

Turkish legislation and regulations for design and construction

(Guest professional)

Legal rights and responsibilities of architects in Turkey

7 / 11-11-2025

Project Management

Project specifications including front end documents

Financial- cost management / fee bidding, Negotiation, Financial Monitoring
survey, estimated cost, progress payment

(Guest professional)

8 / 18-11-2025

Project Management, BIM Integration

(Guest Professional)

9 / 25-11-2025

Architectural Ethics in Professional Life

10/ 02-12-2025

Architectural Ethics in Professional Life

11/ 09-12-2025

Architectural Ethics in Professional Life

(Guest Professional)

12/ 16-12-2025

Quality management, total quality management, Quality assessment tools (DQI, + Green Building Certifications LEED, BREEAM) + Case Study

13 / 23-12-2025

Project delivery process

Building Contracts / design and construction
(Guest Professional)

14 / 30-12-2025

Discussion

Case Study (Project Delivery Process in Turkey)