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SECTION 1: PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

1.1.1 History and Mission

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, the nation’s oldest technological research university, was established as The Rensselaer School in 1824 by Stephen Van Rensselaer “for the purpose of instructing persons … in the application of science to the common purposes of life.” It is “… the first school of science and school of civil engineering, which has had a continuous existence, to be established in any English-speaking country” according to Palmer C. Ricketts in his preface to the second edition of his History of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (1914). In 1833, the school became the Rensselaer Institute, and in the 1850s, its purpose was broadened to become a polytechnic institution. In 1861, the Institute’s name was changed to Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

Over time, Rensselaer has evolved into a fully realized university of 5,557 undergraduates and 1,471 graduate students. They are drawn to the sciences and technology, and to disciplines ranging from architecture and engineering to business and the arts. Benefiting from a legacy of bold exploration, the university is comprised of a diverse community of students and faculty committed to moving theory into practice, with the larger aim of contributing to the world on a transformative level.

A nonsectarian, coeducational institution, the university offers degrees from five schools: Engineering; Science; Architecture; Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences; and the Lally School of Management; as well as an interdisciplinary degree in Information Technology and Web Science. Institute programs serve undergraduates, graduate students, and working professionals around the world. Nearly 31% of 2015 undergraduates come from areas outside of the Northeast. First-year students hail from 43 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and from countries all around the world.

Rensselaer offers more than 145 programs at the bachelor’s, master’s, and doctoral levels. Students are encouraged to work in interdisciplinary programs allowing them to combine scholarly work from several departments or schools. The university provides rigorous, engaging, interactive learning environments and campus-wide opportunities for leadership, collaboration, and creativity.

For almost 200 years, Rensselaer has maintained its reputation for providing an undergraduate education of undisputed intellectual rigor based on educational innovation in the laboratory, classroom, and studio. Driven by talented, dedicated, and forward-thinking faculty, Rensselaer has dramatically expanded the research enterprise by leveraging existing strengths and focusing on five signature research areas: biotechnology and the life sciences; energy and the environment; computational science and engineering; nanotechnology and advanced materials; and media, arts, science, and technology.

The Institute is especially well known for its success in the transfer of technology from laboratory to marketplace, where new discoveries and inventions benefit human life, protect the environment, and strengthen economic development. From the design of the Ferris Wheel and the Brooklyn Bridge to the inventions of the digital camera, silicon transistor and network email, Rensselaer’s distinguished alumni have offered have offered life-changing technological and profoundly important contributions to the world.

The mission of Rensselaer is to: “… educate the leaders of tomorrow for technologically-based careers. We celebrate discovery, and the responsible application of technology, to create knowledge and global prosperity.” Its institutional goal is: “To achieve greater prominence in the 21st century as a top-tier world-class technological research university with global reach and global impact.”

Since 1999, under the visionary leadership of Dr. Shirley Ann Jackson, the 18th President of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, the institute has been rigorously guided by two strategic planning frameworks: The Rensselaer Plan, and The Rensselaer Plan 2024, which should be credited for transforming the institute.
into a world-class technological university. Over the last 15 years, more than $1.25 billion has been invested in realizing The Rensselaer Plan, and the campus has been transformed by state-of-the-art research platforms including the Center for Biotechnology and Interdisciplinary Studies, the Curtis R. Priem Experimental Media and Performing Arts Center, and the Center for Computational Innovations, which houses the most powerful supercomputer at a private university in the U.S.. Dr. Jackson prepared Rensselaer for leadership in areas of research that are of fundamental significance in the 21st century by focusing on “signature thrusts” in computational science and engineering; biotechnology and the life sciences; nanotechnology and advanced materials; energy, the environment, and smart systems; and media, arts, science, and technology.

The Rensselaer Plan 2024 serves as a guide as the university moves towards the bicentennial of its founding in 2024. It is intended to make Rensselaer transformative in the global impact of its research, in the lives of its students, and in its pedagogy. Towards that end, forward-looking research initiatives at Rensselaer are underway to address the greatest challenges of humanity in energy, water, and food security; national and global security; human health; climate change; and the allocation of scarce natural resources. These initiatives include The Rensselaer Institute for Data Exploration and Applications, or “The Rensselaer IDEA”, which brings together the strengths of the university in web science, high-performance computing, cognitive computing, data science and predictive analytics, and immersive technologies—and links them to applications at the interface of engineering and the physical, life, and social sciences—in order to answer complex questions that never could be answered before—questions at the root of global challenges.

In accordance with The Rensselaer Plan 2024, the university offers a complete student experience for graduate students as well as undergraduates, through Clustered Learning, Advocacy, and Support for Students [CLASS]. Rensselaer also is taking the lead in pedagogical innovation, including creating the multiplayer and mixed-reality classroom, as well as cyber-enabled discovery and learning—all of which are informed by the cutting-edge research at Rensselaer in data science, immersive environments, artificial intelligence, and cognitive science.

Guided by The Rensselaer Plan 2024, the institute is committed, in the words of Dr. Jackson, “to the vision of the The New Polytechnic: a new paradigm for teaching, learning, and research” for the 21st century in support of, “a view of the technological research university as a fresh collaborative endeavor across disciplines, sectors, and global regions. Such a university leads by using advanced technologies to unite a multiplicity of disciplines and perspectives, in order to take on large, multi-faceted challenges.”

**School of Architecture History**

The School of Architecture’s history dates back to 1848 when Benjamin Franklin Greene, the senior professor and director at Rensselaer at that time, traveled to Europe to undertake the first systematic study of educational models, examining, among others, the École Des Beaux-Arts and École Politechnique in Paris. Upon his return, he wrote, The True Idea of a Polytechnic, premised on looking forward to the creation of a new world. He proposed the “Rensselaer School” become “The Rensselaer Polytechnic of Engineering and Architecture,” asserting Architecture to be essential to any polytechnic “worthy of the name.” While fulfillment of this vision would have made our School of Architecture the first in North America, Greene’s recommendation finally became reality in 1929. The first architecture students graduated in 1933.

The Department of Architecture, later renamed the ‘School of Architecture’, remained small in its early years, placing emphasis on a more pragmatic approach for the study of architecture. Professor Turpin Bannister, a founder of the Society of Architectural Historians, introduced the study of history into the program in the 1930s. After World War II, the program grew in size and developed depth in the areas of
structures and building construction. A design emphasis emerged in the 1960s, with greater concern for urban design and social issues.

More recently the School has become more aligned with the institute’s larger commitment and long-term legacy surrounding science, engineering and technology. Three distinct graduate research programs were established in Lighting, Architectural Acoustics, and Built Ecologies, broadening the intellectual diversity of the school as well as promoting a larger vision of architecture as a constellation of interdisciplinary exchange. Committed to the proposition that architecture at its best is a combination of art and science, where building design is rigorously informed by a strong technological and environmental underpinning, the RPI graduate is well prepared as a future practitioner, to respond forcefully and creatively to the unique challenges of our time.

School of Architecture Mission

The School of Architecture’s mission is “to prepare creative, culturally and technologically astute and socially conscious practitioners of architecture and its related fields, for international practice in the 21st century.”

In preparing our students to become future leaders in the profession, we ensure that they are: 1) creative innovators; 2) proponents of integrating design and technology 3) open to interdisciplinary collaboration and emerging practices in a variety of allied fields, 4) aspire to well-designed buildings capable of contributing on the highest level to the built environment and 5) conscious of the profound contribution architecture makes on a cultural, ethical and environmental level around the world.

To participate internationally and have global impact, architects must be nimble and prepared to recognize and address the unique context specific to a broad range of communities around the world.

School Portfolio

The School offers two professional degree programs leading to NAAB-accredited Bachelor of Architecture (B.Arch) and Master of Architecture (M.Arch) degrees. The B.Arch program has been continuously accredited by NAAB since 1945. The M.Arch (first professional degree) has been continuously accredited by NAAB since 1979. In addition, the school offers a B.S. in Building Science, a Master of Science and Ph.D., in Architectural Sciences with concentrations in Lighting, Architectural Acoustics and Built Ecologies, a M.Arch II degree in Architecture with concentrations in Ecological Urbanism and Environmental Parametrics and has two research centers: the Lighting Research Center [LRC] and the Center for Architecture Science and Ecology [CASE].

B.Arch Program – Beyond offering a comprehensive and rigorous architecture program in preparation for professional licensure, the program draws upon an extensive amount of disciplinary expertise from all three graduate research programs in the school portfolio: Lighting, Architecture Acoustics and Built Ecologies. Representing a broad diversity of important associated knowledge, students have the opportunity to broaden their intellectual diversity by studying at CASE in NYC for one full semester, or to pursue a minor in either Lighting or Architectural Acoustics.

In addition, the Institute has made it possible for high-achieving students to participate in “co-terminal” degree programs that allow architecture students simultaneously (typically after 6 years) to obtain concurrent B.Arch and Masters degrees (e.g. Masters of Engineering, or M.S. in Architectural Sciences with a concentration in Lighting or Architectural Acoustics, etc.).

M.Arch Program – Also conceived as a premier professional program, significant efforts have been made on the part of the leadership to develop a more distinct and unique identity. As a result of recent curriculum changes, our M.Arch program (pending approval from NYS) will be a 3-year program. It is a first professional degree program for students holding bachelor’s degrees in alternative fields. Applicants
with previous architecture study may be considered for advanced standing. M.Arch students are required to spend one of their semesters embedded in the Built Ecologies program, at the Center for Architecture Science and Ecology [CASE] in New York City.

**Graduate Research Programs** – Our School’s three internationally renowned graduate research programs provide an exemplary educational experience for our M.S. and Ph.D., students, as well as an impressive constellation of intellectual diversity invaluable to both the B.Arch and M.Arch professional programs. Undergraduates are encouraged to take courses, acquire minors, and pursue co-terminal degrees in any one of these three outstanding research programs.

The Master of Science in Architectural Sciences degree provides opportunity for advanced studies in a research context related to the Ph.D. program concentrations in Architectural Acoustics, Lighting and Built Ecologies. The Doctor of Philosophy degree in Architectural Sciences is designed for graduate students prepared to undertake innovative and substantive research that adds to the body of knowledge drawn on by the design disciplines, and who desire a career in teaching, research, specialized professional practice or consulting. The doctorate is an inherently inter-disciplinary degree in which research is informed by both disciplinary depth and trans-disciplinary integration. The program is structured to foster a community of students and scholars, a collaborative environment in which lateral flows of ideas and influences enrich the research agenda of each member of the community.

**Architectural Acoustics Program** - Established in 1999, it offers a rigorous curriculum in acoustics for effectively shaping sonic environments to achieve optimum acoustic performance and sound quality. Offering studies toward both Master of Science and Ph.D. degrees, this unique program provides the knowledge and skills required for the next-generation of acousticians involved in room acoustics, psychoacoustics, acoustic and vibration measurement techniques, and sound reinforcement to excel in a career of advanced practice and/or applied research.

**Lighting Program** - Established in 1988, as an academic and research outgrowth of our Lighting program, the Lighting Research Center [LRC] is considered the premier lighting research center in North America. Work focuses on the areas of LED development, Light and Health, and lighting product testing and validation. Forging strong ties with public benefit non-profit organizations, manufacturers, utilities, and government agencies worldwide, the LRC maintains a global network of funding support, educational outreach initiatives and innovative approaches in lighting that have contributed significantly to strengthening the performance of energy in the built environment. Acquiring over $100 million dollars in research awards from federal and industry resources since its inception, the center sustains a highly productive research agenda with global impact. Advanced studies research degree programs offered at the LRC are educating the next generation of lighting leaders.

**Built Ecologies Program** – Established in 2008, as an academic and research outgrowth of our Built Ecologies program, CASE (Center for Architecture Science and Ecology) is co-located at the offices of Skidmore, Owings & Merrill [SOM] in NYC and the Troy Campus. CASE became an Institute-wide Center in 2014. Its work focuses on accelerated innovation of radically new sustainable built environments through the development of next-generation sustainable building systems. CASE unites advanced architectural and engineering practices with scientific research through a unique and intensive collaboration between multiple institutions, manufacturers and professional offices within the building industry. At CASE, actual building projects are used as research test beds. In addition to its research enterprise, CASE is home to the M.S. and Ph.D. Built Ecologies programs. All M.Arch students and select B.Arch students spend a semester there, taking courses and participating in research under the guidance of faculty and graduate students.
Ways in Which the School Benefits the Institution

School-based Pedagogically Innovative Initiatives - In recognition of the unique challenges facing the profession of architecture today, Rensselaer’s School of Architecture established a series of strategically important programs and initiatives for students throughout our professional programs aimed at strengthening the overall creative and intellectual breadth of our students. With an emphasis on increasing awareness concerning the importance of cultural diversity, interdisciplinarity, the study of architecture as a combination of art and science, collaborative engagement, community outreach, sustainability, leadership and global citizenship, the following activities and initiatives below represent a major educational asset for both the program as well as the institute at large.

1. Commitment to Global Citizenship – The School provides a culture that engages students in a wide array of rich educational and experience opportunities that are global in reach, technologically grounded, linked to research and experimentally progressive opportunities that are prepare them to lead in a changing profession and world. In recent years, some 70% of Architecture students have participated in a study-abroad (Bedford, Brown’s or a semester in Italy, India or China) or the CASE program.

   **Study-Abroad Programs** - Our highly popular programs offer B.Arch students semester-long programs in Italy, China and India, as well as numerous short international academic travel workshops integrated into on-campus design studios. Additionally, the School is finalizing agreements, with a proposed launch date FA16, with architecture schools in Argentina and Chile as a way to increase student focus on Latin America. In recognition of the profound impact an international experience has on our student body, expanding the program into a new region of great cultural significance in the world represents a significant accomplishment for the program.

   **Bedford Traveling Workshop** – Our School also offers students a unique architecture/engineering [A/E] opportunity known as the Bedford Traveling Workshop, which takes select architecture and civil engineering students and faculty to a foreign country in early summer each year to study best practices, and exemplary innovative buildings, bridges and other structures that rely on a constructive interdisciplinary discourse.

   **Brown’s Traveling Fellowship** – Each year the School awards traveling fellowships to several faculty and students on a competitive basis. Substantial funding allows winners to travel to a location of their choice, conduct their study, and make a presentation and exhibit of findings upon returning to campus.

2. **CASE / SOM NYC Program** – CASE, which began in 2008, has now become an Institute-wide Research Center, providing opportunities for faculty and students in other departments to join CASE in a variety of multi-disciplinary research efforts focused on next-generation sustainable building systems. With the recent addition of two new Ph.D. faculty whose expertise is in environmental sustainability, the CASE offers a variety of new research opportunities both on campus and in the CASE offices at Skidmore, Owings and Merrill [SOM] in New York City. Under the direction of Professor Anna Dyson, CASE engages undergraduates and graduate students in research projects with industry, government and other partners.

3. **Bedford Studio, Seminar and Traveling Workshop** – the Bedford Architecture/Engineering initiative creates cross-disciplinary experiences that address the increasing complexity and rising expectations for building performance and design. Under the direction of a visiting professorship designed to engage accomplished engineers with records of effective collaboration, there are three initiatives: 1) an upper-level interdisciplinary design studio, 2) an upper-level interdisciplinary seminar, and 3) an international traveling workshop, that in combination, provide invaluable knowledge and insight into the profound value of a more integrated approach for the profession of architecture.
Bedford A/E Interdisciplinary Studio – An upper-level architecture and engineering students work on a building design project structured to: raise awareness of the diverse responsibilities and agendas of architects and engineers, increase understanding of disciplinary language, and demonstrate the value of interdisciplinary input in the early design phases.

Bedford A/E Seminar – An interdisciplinary course exposing students to progressive historic and contemporary building projects that rely heavily on cross-disciplinary integration. The course requires creative collaborative interdisciplinary engagement.

Bedford Traveling Workshop - This international workshop sponsors the travel of six architecture students and six engineering students to an international location where concentrations of best practices and projects can be found. The workshop includes seminars at accomplished architecture and engineering practices, visits to acclaimed architectural projects, construction site visits, and a collaborative design exercise structured to catalyze interdisciplinary discourse.

The Bedford initiatives promote interdisciplinary discourse between Engineering and Architecture that has resulted in new minors and co-terminal degree options for architecture students while shaping the structural engineering track, with a focus on architectural projects.

4. Capital Region Initiative - To promote community engagement and service, the school launched the Capital Region Initiative in Fall 2010 as an opportunity to extend the ‘classroom’ beyond the Rensselaer campus. The school established a series of collaborative agreements with a broad set of cultural institutions throughout NY State that expressed interest in working with our students and learning more about the potential of building design as a way to transform their respective campuses. The Capital Region Partnerships include: The Shaker Museum in Lebanon, NY; The Hyde Collection in Glens Fall, NY; Sterling and Francine Clark Institute, Williamstown, MA; Storm King Arts Center, New Windsor, NY; OMI International Arts Center, Ghent, NY; and miSci: The Museum of Innovation in Schenectady, NY.

5. ART_X@Rensselaer Initiative - A programmatic and curricular construct with the goal of discovering art in science and science in art through trans-disciplinary inquiry and creative crossover, as outlined in the New Polytechnic. In support of this important Rensselaer initiative, the School of Architecture offers the following school-based interdisciplinary courses below, open to students and faculty throughout RPI.

Performance Installation Production (PIP) initiative – An interdisciplinary collaborative studio that brings together students and faculty from the School of Architecture and HASS/Humanities Art and Social Sciences to create a multi-media event-based performance open to the general public. Experts contributing to the program include: architects, videographers, acoustic/digital composers, musicians, sound artists, poets, choreographers, dancers, graphic designers, and audio and structural engineers.

Mestizo Robotics - This studio is an “art across the curriculum initiative” aimed to promote art, science and design interchanges among the institute’s diverse academic units. Structured as a design-and-build seminar/workshop and studio is dedicated to development of interactive robotic devices with sensory capabilities for group behavior in relation to external forces (i.e. physical, environmental and virtual). This new course is open to students/faculty throughout the institute.

6. BLAST>OFF>off: career development chats - An evening roundtable discussion program between students and selected SoA faculty, with a focus on career development opportunities after graduation. Aimed at increasing student awareness of the broad range of professional opportunities available in the workplace beyond academia, one event is scheduled per semester. Committed to empowering the next generation of Rensselaer alum to assume leadership roles, this initiative is consistent with RPI’s commitment to changing the world.
7. Troy, NY Waterfront Revitalization Project—Urban Furniture Initiative – This initiative with the City of Troy, NY, focused on creating Urban Furniture for Troy’s Riverfront Park. With funding from the Troy Industrial Development Authority, a faculty-led design studio of 15 undergraduates generated a series of proposed play-scape designs for the public park. This effort is part of a larger strategic plan to offer the school’s design expertise to the City of Troy, a historic post-industrial city with potential for revitalization.

8. AD-HOC Campus Design Charrettes - Initiated by the University President, specific AD-HOC campus design charrettes are organized to focus on an area of the campus requiring design reassessment. These have included: a campus-wide sustainability workshop (which included participation from the school of architecture) as well as landscape design proposals for the ’86 field (exclusive to the SoA).

9. School of Architecture Lecture Series – Open to the entire campus and the public, our School’s lecture series provides attendees access to 10-12 leading architects, cultural theorists, historians, structural engineers, technologists, curators, and artists from around the world annually.

10. School-based Summer Outreach Initiatives – The Institute, as part of its mission to offer students the “highest standards of academic rigor and character development as a catalyst for lifelong learning, thoughtful citizenship, and upward mobility,” partners with Harlem Academy to provide students, parents, and teachers an opportunity to explore science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM), on our campus during the summer. Architecture faculty participate in this program annually.

    Career Discovery Program – This program provides high school students a two-week intensive on-campus Introduction to Architecture at Rensselaer. Offered for high schools students interested in architecture as a life-long career, this exciting exploratory workshop provides an ideal initiation into a range of skillsets essential to the beginning student of architecture such as: abstract thinking, schematic design, digital and physical modeling, craft, and presentation techniques.

11. Smart Geometry Conference – Our School brought the 2012 Smart Geometry conference to campus increasing the Institute’s and School’s international reputation as a leader in advanced building technology and innovative pedagogy (i.e. immersive and interactive environments). More than 500 architects, faculty, students and industry experts from around the world joined this weeklong program of research, workshops, and conference symposia and lectures.

12. CRAIVE Lab Initiative - Providing a 360-degree multi-modal immersive environment for academic and research experimentation, simulations and gameplay, the CRAIVE Lab (a Collaborative-Research Augmented Immersive Virtual Reality Environment developed by an Architecture faculty member) represents the next-generation pedagogical classroom. The School has begun to target specific design studios that will use the lab, and researchers and faculty members from other departments/schools are finding ways to make use of this unique classroom and visualization facility.

13. Service to the Institute – Architecture faculty are actively engaged members of the Institution. Though the smallest of five School’s, two Institutional Centers (CASE and the Center for Communication, Cognition and Culture [CCC]) are directed by Architecture Faculty. Committee memberships include the Faculty Senate, Faculty Senate Curriculum Committee, Resource Committee, Tenure and Promotion Committee, and the Assessment and Academic Standing Committees as well as numerous shorter-lived committees and task groups including the Middle States accreditation task group. An Architecture faculty member co-chaired the Institutes Core Curriculum Review and Implementation Committees and Architecture faculty participate widely on Ph.D. committees.

Ways in Which the Institution Benefits the School

The School and its programs greatly benefit from the polytechnic setting offered by Rensselaer. A top-tier technological research university with global reach and global impact, the Institute provides a vast culture of research and innovation that is intrinsically part of the ethos of the School. Well-known for success in
the transfer of technology from laboratory to marketplace so that discoveries benefit human life, protect the environment, and strengthen economic development, the Institute’s culture promotes foundational and applied research, experimentation, innovation and the ethical mandate to address global challenges.

In light of this visionary road map, the Institute focuses on five over-arching signature research areas that serve as a strong organizational framework for all five schools: biotechnology and the life sciences; energy and the environment; computational science and engineering; nanotechnology and advanced materials; and media, arts, science, and technology.

Given the extraordinary emphasis today in architecture concerning: energy and the built environment, next generation building systems, smart technologies, new sustainable materials and environmental stewardship, the opportunity to situate a School of Architecture within a Polytechnic Institute with such a vast technological platform represents an invaluable asset.

The list below represents significant institutional assets that benefit our school:

1. **Highly Selective Admission Standards** – Rensselaer’s highly selective admissions standards ensure that our students are extraordinarily qualified, with a strong science and math background as well as exceptional standardized testing scores. Students admitted to our program are positioned to excel.

2. **Strong Scientific Academic Grounding** – All Rensselaer students take a series of science courses that provide a solid and comprehensive scientific grounding necessary to excel in a rigorous technological institute as well as an architecture program that celebrates the significant role of the sciences.

3. **Critical Perspectives on Technology** - The Science and Technology Studies department, located in HASS, provides courses with a critical perspective on the role and consequences of science and technology in society. The HASS core includes a depth requirement in one area selected by the student and two communication-intensive courses – one outside their discipline and one within.

4. **Premier Technological Platform**
   - **All-Institute Shop Facilities** - Robust centrally managed plotting, rapid prototyping facilities and shops (metal shop, water-jet, laser cutting, 3D printing, vacuum forming, milling, etc.) supplement our school’s Fabrication Lab, providing access to world-class technologies used in design and fabrication.
   - **Super Computer** - The petascale supercomputing system at Rensselaer clocks in at a top peak processing speed of 1048.6 teraflops, making it the 43rd most powerful system in the world, according to the most recent TOP500 list. It is a cornerstone of the Rensselaer Institute for Data Exploration and Applications, known as The Rensselaer IDEA. Related projects span the spectrum of high-impact global challenges and opportunities, including basic research, environment and energy, water resources, health care, business and finance, public policy, and national security.
   - **EMPAC** - The Curtis R. Priem Experimental Media and Performing Arts Center provides an extraordinary cutting-edge technological platform. Conceived as a living laboratory in support of bringing together the arts, sciences and technology, this $250 million dollar building designed by the internationally renowned architect Nicholas Grimshaw provides an exceptional venue for lectures, as well as for next-generation research.

5. **CLASS (Clustered Learning, Advocacy, and Support for Students)** – CLASS is a comprehensive approach to the student experience at Rensselaer. Through ongoing support, guidance, and co-curricular activities, CLASS connects students to a network of faculty, staff and other students, ensuring that they are part of a strong community of learners striving to become the leaders of tomorrow.

6. **Robust Extracurricular Activity Opportunities** - Rensselaer has more than 160 clubs, sports, and organizations available for students, including: intramural sports clubs, extracurricular clubs, model railroad society, performing and visual arts clubs; a student-run newspaper; and service organizations
including Habitat for Humanity, Engineers without Borders.

7. Sports and Recreation - Athletics participation is a vital part of the student experience at Rensselaer. Programs help student-athletes excel athletically and academically, while building leadership and teamwork capabilities. Seventy percent of Rensselaer undergraduates participate in athletics. Rensselaer offers 23 varsity teams and 50 intramural and club sports.

Integrated Study of the Liberal Arts and the Specific Discipline of Architecture
The school provides students with a larger critical cultural liberal arts perspective. Course content within required history/theory/criticism and design studio sequences, the international study abroad program and elective offerings contain invaluable knowledge and insights required to obtain a holistic understanding of the discipline across historical moments in time. The following course offerings subscribe this priority:

1. History / Theory / Criticism Courses - Beginning students must take the following courses addressing the relationships between Architecture and society, the human condition, philosophy and the development of various technologies in relation to culture: The Ethos of Architecture, Architectural Media, Contemporary Design Approaches, Case Studies, The Building and Thinking of Architecture, and An Architectural Genealogy 1 and 2. Additional required courses include: Modernity in Architecture and Culture 1 and 2 and Cities/Lands, as well as their complementary master's level courses (History. Theory, Criticism 1, 2 and 3), focus on the interrelationship between architecture, culture, society and the environment.

2. Elective Offerings - Electives that offer connections between architecture and a wider cultural context include courses such as: Duchamp Seminar: Anarchism Umped; Architecture in the Time of Synthetic Biolig; The Man Next Door: Hitchcock and the Architecture of Fear; and Latin American Architecture, etc.

3. International Study-Abroad Program – Semester-long study abroad options enjoy wide student participation as they provide an immersive cultural experience that extends beyond the classroom. Programs provide access to both ancient and contemporary architecture through on-site visits, intensive collaborative engagement with students from our host schools, and cultural studies taught by our partner school faculty, Rensselaer students acquire invaluable insight into the unique and diverse cultural heritage around the world. Often prefaced by language studies and concerted efforts to engage and learn about the cultures in which they are embedded most programs feature a direct interface and team collaborations with students and faculty at a local partner institution. Master's students have the opportunity to apply for funded international travel workshops and research grants, and to participate in international workshops with partner institutions.

4. Cross-Listed Student Enrollment - Minors in Science and Technology Studies [STS] as well as other areas of [HASS] Humanities Arts and Social Sciences are encouraged for students in their final year. These students undertake a final project in a directed research area that is extra-disciplinary and engages integrated research of disciplines outside and within the discipline of architecture and urban studies.

I.1.2 Learning Culture

Studio Culture Addresses Time Management, Health/Well-Being, School-Life Balance and Professional Conduct - The School recognizes the significance of providing a vibrant, inspiring, nurturing and healthy studio culture for all of our students. Beyond our commitment to providing a top-tier educational experience for our students, great emphasis is placed on ensuring that both students and faculty are well-informed on the importance of time management, general health, well-being, work-school-life balance and professional conduct. The following outreach initiatives used to disseminate these important messages:

1. Dean’s All-School Meetings – At the start of every semester, the Dean hosts an all-school meeting
attended by all students, faculty and staff in the School. Besides sharing his visionary perspective, the Dean makes a point of addressing, at each of these public events, the importance of a strong and responsible studio culture. The critical importance of learning time-management skills and subscribing to a healthy life-style are priority themes communicated to the entire school.

2. Faculty Advisors - Each entering freshman is assigned a faculty advisor for the duration of the program. Providing invaluable mentorship, the advisor addresses plan-of-study concerns, course selection, co-terminal opportunities, study-abroad options and a range of issues concerning the student’s ability to effectively balance their school and life priorities.

3. Student Mentorship Program - Each entering freshman is assigned an upperclass student mentor who provides invaluable mentorship from a student’s perspective. These older students help address the complex and often daunting challenges of balancing school and life priorities.

4. Dean’s Student Advisory Council – the Council is comprised of student representatives from the professional and graduate research programs. Selected by their peers, they represent their constituent community at meetings held at least once per semester. They address the Studio Culture Policy as well as student input and recommendations, which are then considered by the Dean and school leadership.

5. Online Studio Culture Policy - The current Studio Culture Policy is available online for all the students and faculty as a primary means of dissemination.

A Description and Assessment of the Learning Culture within the Program
Beyond the success of the curriculum as the primary source of educational instruction in the School of Architecture, the overall ‘learning culture’ within both the B.Arch and M.Arch programs has grown significantly over the past several years yielding a great deal of energy and enthusiasm around events within and between coursework. A growing number of exemplary student-led initiatives and well-attended co-curricular events are evidence of a genuine desire to learn. These student- and faculty-led initiatives have contributed greatly to the teaching/learning culture and the vibrancy of the School:

1. Section-Cut / All-School Pin-Up – A group of students, seeking to increase awareness of the exciting and innovative design research taking place, created the all-school “Section-Cut Pin-Up” event. Presented every semester in the school’s main gallery, the event features two students per design studio section in a poster session pin-up and public discussion. This highly popular initiative has generated much enthusiasm and provided students an overview of the diversity of the curriculum.

2. Position Series – (Student-Curated Lecture Series) - Established as an opportunity for the students to curate their own lecture series, expanding access to emerging architects, theorists, historians, landscape architects and urban planners, the Position Series features a Saturday afternoon presentations. Entirely student driven, this new initiative is testimony to our students as independent thinkers enthusiastically committed to the attainment of knowledge.

3. Student Organizations - The American Institute of Architects, Student Chapter [AIAS] and The National Organization of Minority Architects, Student Chapter, [NOMAS] are extremely active in promoting events including portfolio reviews, conversations with career specialists, and travel to regional lectures and events. Significant participation in (not-for-credit) charrettes, internal competitions and CANstruction further illustrate a culture of desire to learn. Student mentoring, organized by the AIAS, matches upper level students with those entering the B.Arch and M.Arch programs.

4. SoA Lecture Series – The Lecture Series, mentioned above, is an enrichment opportunity for all students and faculty, as well as the public. Lecturers represent a wide variety of world-renown artists, engineers, architects and others involved in related fields. On lecture days, select undergraduates join the lecturer for an informal luncheon and discussion. Later in the day, graduate students join the lecturer
for “Coffee and Conversation” in the Architecture Library, and, after the lecture and a reception at EMPAC, selected faculty and students join the lecturer and Dean for dinner and discussion.

5. Browns Traveling Fellowship - The culture of learning is greatly enhanced by the Brown Traveling Fellowship awarded annually to three faculty (one contingent, one tenure-track and one tenured faculty) and three students from the professional programs. Applications are reviewed by a selection committee that awards fellowships based on the merits the applications. Upon the completion of their fellowships, awardees present their work in an exhibition and public lecture open to the entire school.

6. BLAST>off: career development chats - As mentioned above, these events pair two faculty together every semester to engage in informal conversation (during pizza supper) with students on topics related to career development. The program has become increasingly more popular since its inception and represents an invaluable learning opportunity concerning the ‘big picture’ after graduation.

7. Design Studios - Studios, where knowledge from a broad range of courses is synthesized in the form of design proposals, are at the core of Rensselaer architectural education. Curated by a diverse roster of distinguished faculty with many pedagogical perspectives, studios expose students to the merits of: precedent research, analysis, iterative design, analog and digital practices, risk-taking, and important environmental, technological and cultural issues underlying the development of extraordinary architecture.

8. Architecture Tours - The School places great value on the architecture tour as a powerful alternative strategy for the transmission of knowledge. Examples of tours that have shown significant impact include; study-abroad programs in Italy, India and China; visits to NYC architecture offices and on-site construction tours (as part of the Integrated Design Development Studio) a site analysis tour (associated with the 2nd year design studio / capital region initiative) and building tours associated with each of the courses in the Environment and Ecology course sequence and Building Systems course.

9. Unique Pedagogical Instruction - The program has initiated a series of ‘Hands-On-Learning’ exercises associated with several courses. Both the Environment Comfort and Energy and Environment and Ecological Systems courses generated enthusiasm for the subject and a better understanding through direct measurement of environmental phenomena. Structures I and II use unique gaming strategies to test 3D physical structural assemblies to failure in real-time, giving students a first-hand understanding of the anatomy of ‘structural demise’. Hands-On-Learning also is used extensively in studios, Performance Installation Production [PIP] initiative, and the Bedford A/E Seminar.

10. Course Assistants Program - Although nascent, a recent shift in the definition of our course assistants program from a for-pay program to a for-credit program, has led to a new initiative requiring learning outcomes for the learning skills associated with teaching alongside an assigned instructor.

11. URP Program – The Institute’s Undergraduate Research Program (URP) provides real-world, hands-on research experience for students interested in contributing to faculty-led research. Students have an invaluable opportunity to work with leading academics and practitioners on project based research in areas ranging such as: building design, performance, lighting, acoustics, structure, built ecologies, or sustainability, etc.

12. Dean’s Student Advisory Council – Discussed previously, the Council’s role is to increase communication between the student body and the Dean to strengthen the School’s academic vitality.

13. Student Participation on Faculty Committees – Students serve as members of the Library and Interactive Pedagogies committees, and periodically participate in Curriculum Committee discussions.
Studio Culture Policy

How it is Distributed - The Policy, provided in supplemental materials, discusses studio-based learning as the core of the architecture student's professional education. As noted above, the policy addresses matters of respect, modes of learning, time management, collaborations, research investigations, review and assessment of work, and studio spaces and furnishings. The Policy is online, distributed by email, discussed by the Dean at the all-school meeting at the beginning of every year, and is discussed by studio faculty and students at the beginning of each semester.

Level of Community Understanding and Engagement - Understanding the purposes of the document and following it do not always align. While its purposes are with little doubt unassailable by faculty, staff or students, it is fair to question whether in every situation students make best and highest use of the studios and that every faculty member remains cognizant of the fact that students have other courses and should be leading rich lives outside the studio. While this is in the majority true, there are exceptions that the leadership of the school address with individual faculty members each semester, just as there are concerns that faculty address with individual students as a part of the learning experience.

Evaluation and Update Process - The policy is evaluated and updated every two years by the Curriculum Committee with input from staff and the Dean's Student Advisory Council. The committees assess the level to which faculty, students, and staff understand the purposes and intent for which the policy was established and whether it requires revision.

I.1.3 Social Equity

Institute Initiatives for Diversity / Inclusion and how the Program Benefits
The School of Architecture abides by the Institute’s policy on Institute Diversity as stated by President Shirley Ann Jackson (www.rpi.edu/dept/diversity/): “Rensselaer must and will achieve true intellectual, geographic, gender and ethnic diversity in our students, faculty and staff, in order to draw upon the best talent available, and to prepare our students to work and lead in a global economy.” The President said further that: “For any institution to reflect an entire world of intelligence and perspectives – to achieve global reach and global impact – it must, by its very nature, reflect, represent and respect people and viewpoints from every walk of life. Rensselaer, as part of its official mission, aspires to such diversity – not just of cultures, races and genders, but of thoughts, disciplines ad ideas. Nothing less.”

In light of the institute's unwavering commitment to strengthening diversity, the Rensselaer Plan 2024 (http://www.rpi.edu/plan/RensselaerPlan2024.pdf) provides a compelling list of aspirations, including to: (1) recruit, empower, and competitively compensate a diverse faculty and staff, (2) recruit substantially more women, and ethnically and culturally diverse students, (3) focus participation in research as a means to cultivate underrepresented groups to pursue academic careers, (4) provide for our students an inclusive community, within a residential college model, that supports them in their personal growth and success, (5) provide all members of the Rensselaer community with the opportunities for professional development and growth, and (6) create a lively community discourse on important cultural, social, gender, and geopolitical issues.

For many years, the Institute has worked proactively to ensure a healthy, inclusive environment for students, faculty and staff who are LGBTQ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transsexual, and Questioning their sexuality). The Institute provides “Safe Zone” training several times per year to faculty and staff, to ensure an open, inclusive and productive environment for all. Training includes basic education as well as sensitivity training and ways in which faculty and staff may serve as advocates. The School of Architecture sponsors “Safe Zone” training sessions in the Greene Building, and the Dean requires all faculty and students to attend.

In addition, the Institute has recently updated its Sexual Harassment policy (http://www.rpi.edu/dept/hr/policy/17_Sexual_Harassmen_Policy.pdf) and has distributed procedures for
reporting instances of sexual harassment. The Institute has established hearing boards to review cases of sexual harassment. Dean Evan Dougis is the chair of the all-institute Hearing Board.

Each of Rensselaer’s five schools is charged with preparing yearly Performance Plans aligned to the strategic framework of the Rensselaer Plan 2024 [9](http://www.rpi.edu/plan/RensselaerPlan2024.pdf). There are firm expectations of the School of Architecture to show progress in this area from one year to the next. In response, the School has made ‘a commitment to diversity’ a cornerstone of its own strategic plan.

The School has taken deliberate steps to increase diversity in its student population, as well as in faculty hiring. In 2013-14, the Institute made it possible for the School to hire three new tenure-track faculty. We hired three outstanding female faculty (Dr. Alexandra Rempel, Dr. Nancy Diniz, and Dr. Lydia Kallipoliti) who contribute to the intellectual and gender diversity of the School. With the addition of these new faculty this brings the number of tenured/tenure-track female faculty to 5 out of 19, or 26%.

In addition, we note that currently 1 (5%) faculty member is Black/African American, and three (15%) are Hispanic. Since the last NAAB visit, Professor Mariana Figuerio was promoted to Full Professor increasing female representation among our senior faculty from 1 to 2. Of our 5 full professors (not counting our Dean), 2 (40%) are female.

This is in keeping with the Institute’s commitment to diversity and its strict adherence to affirmative action and diversity hiring. This also is a reflection of the commitment on the part of our Faculty Search Committee to seek highly qualified female faculty who will serve as extraordinary role models especially to our growing number of female students.

In addition, it is noteworthy that one of our female faculty members, Professor Anna Dyson, is Director of the Institute-wide Center for Architecture, Science and Ecology [CASE], a long-term research partnership with the firm of Skidmore, Owings & Merrill in New York City. She was promoted to full professor in 2011.

### Plans to maintain / increase the diversity of faculty, staff, and students

- **FT Faculty Recruitment** – The school will continue its commitment to diversity hiring by being proactive throughout its solicitation in search of outstanding women and underrepresented minority candidates.

- **FT Faculty Mentoring** – The school will continue its commitment to faculty mentoring throughout the P&T process, in support of enabling our FT faculty to excel in the three primary categories for promotion; teaching, scholarly research and service.

- **Contingent Faculty Hiring** – The School recognizes the invaluable contribution provided by women and underrepresented minority hires among our part-time faculty, and therefore will make every effort to seek out outstanding candidates to teach at the school from one academic year to the next.

- **External Guest Critics** – In support of increasing the intellectual, gender and ethnic diversity throughout the school, we will continue to seek out a broad range of outstanding and diverse guest critics for our mid-term and final juries.

- **All-School Lecture Series** – In support of increasing the intellectual, gender and ethnic diversity throughout the school, we will continue to seek out a broad range of outstanding and diverse guest lecturers for our all-school lecture series from one semester to the next.

- **Student Diversity Data** - Regarding our student population, the School of Architecture is proud of its ability to attract and retain female and minority students. Charts provided in our supplemental materials [http://www.arch.rpi.edu/naab/04-StudentDiversityCharts.pdf](http://www.arch.rpi.edu/naab/04-StudentDiversityCharts.pdf) reflect the Institute’s and the School’s
commitment to increase diversity. The statistics clearly show that the School of Architecture leads the Institute in percentages of female and minority students.

Harlem Academy Initiative - Rensselaer, and in particular the School of Architecture, have worked diligently to increase the numbers of female and minority students. Our admissions office targets high schools with high diversity populations and in the School of Architecture, we have begun working directly with several highly diverse high schools in order to encourage students to enroll in our programs. In addition, the Institute sponsors the Harlem Academy annually, bringing a group of high-potential 7th and 8th grade students to campus for a 3-day program introducing them to Architecture, Engineering, and Science and Technology Studies.

Student Organizations - The School of Architecture supports two student professional organizations: AIAS, the student segment of American Institute of Architects; and NOMAS, the student segment of the National Organization of Minority Architects. Both of our student organizations are very active and in Fall 2014, the School sponsored travel for 3 students to attend the NOMAS conference in Philadelphia. Our NOMAS organization has grown from 10 to 27 in the past 2 years.

Multicultural Student Clubs - The Institute has 25 multi-cultural clubs on campus and 10 religious organizations. The Institute hosts many diversity events annually including: Black Family Technology Awareness Day, Hispanic Heritage Month, Women's History Month, Safe Zone Training, Cultural Pride Night, Asian Awareness Week, and others. The Institute’s Office of Minority Student Affairs [OMSA] publishes a “Minority Resource Guide,” which is available online at www.rpi.edu/dept/diversity/resources/html.

Latin American Study Abroad Initiative - In support of the program’s commitment to increasing diversity among throughout the student population, the School of Architecture is currently in the process of finalizing study abroad agreements with schools in Chile and Argentina in anticipation of a start date of FY16. The larger objective is expose our students to the brilliant and inspiring cultural and architectural legacies of our friends in South America as well as increase awareness of our program in support of establishing student recruitment feeder opportunities for our B.Arch, B.S, M.Arch and II programs.

Brazilian Exchange Program – Rensselaer has agreed to welcome a selection of students from Brazil every academic year as an opportunity to reaffirm the university’s commitment to promoting cultural exchange around the world. In light of that all-institute initiative, the School of Architecture currently has a total of 7 Brazilian students in the B.Arch program for the full academic year 2015-16.

Increasing Student Diversity – In the context of increasing the total number of women and underrepresented minority students in the School of Architecture, the leadership overseeing recruitment has made a significant effort every year to target high schools throughout the U.S with diversity populations (i.e. DASH High School, Brooklyn Tech, Bronx Science, etc.).

Staff Diversity - The staff in the School of Architecture includes administrative, clerical, business, research, and shop professionals and supervisors. The School works closely with the Division of Human Resources to ensure that Affirmative Action policies and procedures are followed in all hiring decisions. All six of the professional administrative staff for the B.Arch and M.Arch programs are female; none is a member of an under-represented minority group. The staff in the Lighting Research Center includes 19 research/scientific/administrative professionals. Of those 19, eight are female and two are Hispanic. Of the two Hispanics, one is female, and one is male. Of the three Communications staff in the Lighting Research Center, two are female; none is a member of an under-represented minority group.

The Process by which Plans are Developed and the Individuals Involved in the Process

The Dean prepares yearly Performance Plans that include a comprehensive outline of proposed
initiatives associated with increasing student and faculty diversity throughout the School. Plans are submitted in narrative form to the Institute’s senior leadership. After these presentations, Deans present budgets linked to their Performance Plans. The process is rigorous and requires extensive commitment throughout the first half of every academic year. The Dean, in consultation with his leadership team (comprised of the Associate Dean, Head of Graduate Studies, M.Arch and II Directors, Dean’s Executive Assistant, and Business Manager), devises messaging, recruitment and hiring plans to address the school's commitment to diversity.

The Dean is extremely proactive in his communication and charge to the Faculty Search Committee regarding the school’s commitment to diversity and his expectation that they make every effort to solicit and consider as many qualified diversity candidates as possible for every one of the searches. Additionally, upon the launch of every faculty search, the school’s faculty search committee receives a representative from Human Resources who provides clear guidance concerning ‘affirmative action and equal opportunity’ institutional and federal guidelines.

How Initiatives are linked to Program Self-Assessment or Long-Range Planning.

The School of Architecture yearly Performance Plans include past performance and future projection charts, providing critical data in order to assess progress from one year to the next. The priority to increase student and faculty diversity is a shared goal that is considered on a continuous level in the context of part-time and full-time hiring, student recruitment, the selection of speakers in our all-school lecture series, promotion and tenure process, and external messaging.

I.1.4 Defining Perspectives

The Defining Perspectives Chart (http://www.arch.rpi.edu/naab/06-M-Arch-DefiningPerspectivesChart.pdf and http://www.arch.rpi.edu/naab/07-B-Arch-DefiningPerspectivesChart.pdf) indicates curricular and co-curricular activities that map to the defining perspectives demonstrating how these values transcend any one course or experience, are over-arching and reach every student in the B.Arch and M.Arch programs.

A. Collaboration and Leadership

Development of Interpersonal Skills to Foster Unity, Communication & Decision Making

Responsible leadership is emphasized from the outset of the educational experience. The sense of individuality that often emerges in courses such as design studios is tempered through a set of designed collaborative experiences requiring collective engagement and exchange. The relationship between the singularity of an architectural idea and the multiple participants involved in the realization of architecture is offered to the student body as a fundamental set of lessons reiterated over successive courses and collaborative experiences both within and outside the studio.

From the beginning, students are instructed in the dynamics of individual and collective engagement that is critical to the development of a set architectural values. Several required courses and studios - including the fourth-semester B.Arch housing studio Architectural Design Studio 4 (second-semester M.Arch Graduate Architecture Design 2), Integrated Design Development Studio (Graduate Architecture Design 4 for the M.Arch), Materials and Design, Materials and Enclosures, and Case Studies - structure collaborative work as a major course component. Other courses provide a balance of individual and collaborative work. Instructors coach students on development of team communication skills, cultural awareness and empathy, fostering unity, developing guiding principles and decision-making.
In some courses, student course assistants (under faculty supervision) organize study groups and serve as mentors, fostering a community ethic of individual and shared responsibility in obtaining knowledge. This component is crucial as it offers students an opportunity to teach and learn from each other.

Beyond the formal curricular structure, students are supported as they form the creative, intellectual, and cultural fabric of the school. Events such as Section Cut Pin-Up and CANstruction allow students to organize learning experiences in which collaborative planning and the exchange of ideas are essential. Such events empower students, allowing them to play a role in establishing dynamic learning environments.

**Conflict Resolution** - Since a central part of an architecture school’s culture involves critique and debate, encouraging the airing of different points of view on various aspects of creating architecture is essential to the intellectual and ethical development of students and faculty alike. The School has taken great pains to establish and encourage a collegial and professional atmosphere among students and faculty where differences of opinion and ideas are dealt with civilly, respectfully, and intelligently. Faculty serve as exemplars in how to deal with conflict, creative differences, and debate in a mature and civil fashion.

Students are made aware of the inevitability of conflict that emerges when individuals enter into a collaboration with the unique dynamic of realizing a work of collective architecture. Students are encouraged to remain respectful and understanding of diverse viewpoints, and the backgrounds of all individuals who form a community. If contrasting ideas emerge within or outside of a curriculum framework, students are encouraged respectfully to debate and assess various solutions to problems.

**Preparing Emerging Professionals to Serve Clients and the Public** - Through the Capital Region Initiative, the importance of serving clients and the larger public is introduced early to our students. In the first semester of the second year studio (first semester of first year for M.Arch students), studios engage institutional cultural client organizations to address their architectural design needs in a collaboration between the students, faculty and institutional leaders and staff. Over the last five years, projects associated with the Shaker Museum, the Hyde Collection, The Museum of Innovation and Science, Troy Riverfront Park, and OMI International Arts Center have given students a means of envisioning a work of architecture while gaining experience addressing and responding to the complexities of a client’s needs and aspirations. Professional architects, trustees, staff and other members of the respective organizations are invited to attend critiques over the duration of the project. Where possible, exhibitions of studio work take place in the facilities of the cultural institutions at the end of the semester. The Capital Region Initiative extends the learning environment beyond the typical boundaries of the studio, and moves the creative search into a larger conversation, where feedback, exchange and input come from a wide range of participants and stakeholders.

**Engage Allied disciplines and Professional Colleagues** – The School is proactive in engaging allied disciplines, most particularly from engineering and the arts. Interdisciplinary engagement and direct interface with the profession are signature attributes of the professional programs as evidenced by:

1. **Bedford Studio, Seminar and Traveling Workshop** - The Bedford Architecture/Engineering initiatives, as noted previously, include 1) an elective interdisciplinary seminar offered by a leading practicing structural engineer (the Bedford Visiting Professor), 2) the required Integrated Design Development Studio (Bedford Studio that is co-taught by an Architecture professor and the Bedford Visiting Professor), and 3) the annual Bedford Traveling Workshop. The seminar enrolls a balance of architecture and engineering students who are exposed to exemplary projects that rely on a close collaboration between architects and engineers and places students on interdisciplinary design teams tasked with the design of a pedestrian bridge or pavilion. The studio teams 5th year engineering and 4th year architecture students on the collaborative design of a building. The Traveling Workshop takes six architecture and six engineering students on a 10-day workshop to best A/E practices and exemplary projects in places such as London, Paris, Berlin, Tokyo and Sydney, etc. In addition to in-office seminars from leading engineering and architectural professionals and visits to projects that illustrate the importance of integration,
interdisciplinary teams of students design a pavilion to enhance the discourse surrounding collaboration. The Bedford visiting professor also serves as a regular consultant and reviewer in the design studios.

2. ART_X@Rensselaer Initiative - The annual PIP initiative, discussed previously, is a design studio collaboration between architecture and art students and faculty who work with an artist of renown in the design, development (fabrication and/or construction) and performance of a live work. In addition, Rensselaer has launched the Art X@ Rensselaer initiative, which aims to move art across the curriculum through interdisciplinary courses. The School of Architecture will play prominently in that initiative. In addition to PIP, the school will is offering Mestizo Robotics, an architecture course and associated seminar that is open to all disciplines.

3. CASE / SOM NYC Program - Few places are as interdisciplinary as the Center for Architecture Science and Ecology [CASE] where all Master of Architecture students and select B.Arch students spend a semester, embedded in the professional culture of SOM, one of the world’s leading A/E firms, and a robust interdisciplinary research culture. Projects are characterized by collaboration between experts as wide-ranging as biologists, physicists, environmental engineering consultants, façade consultants, mechanical engineers, structural engineers, controls experts, experts in optics and architects.

4. Professional Practice Courses - Professional Practice 1 and 2 focus on project and practice management respectively, including instruction on the various consultants and stakeholders that are part of the design and construction team. The sequence focuses on the professional relationships between architects, clients, and other participants in the building process. These courses reinforce professional commitment and service to a client, while also discussing opportunities to engage and understand other disciplines in the building industry.

5. Smart Geometry Conference - The 2012 international Smart Geometry Conference, mentioned previously, provided students with exposure to interdisciplinary leaders and their work. Hosted at EMPAC by the School the conference provided students and faculty opportunities to collaborate and engage with architects, engineers, and computer scientists in the process of researching, conceptualizing and realizing a project. In preparing for the event, students worked months in advance with faculty to determine and organize the activities. Students also had the valuable experience of engaging other students, faculty, and practitioners worldwide in questions of material and technological exploration.

6. Exposure to External Interdisciplinary Expertise - In addition to the broad knowledge and experience student acquire concerning the profession and allied disciplines through courses and related outreach activities, students are encouraged to pursue minors and co-terminal degrees and to participate in a semester at CASE. During mid-term and final reviews, students interact with external guest reviewers who possess expertise and knowledge in the sciences, arts, and humanities, and offer students an invaluable opportunity to gain new insights.

7. SoA Lecture Series - The School’s Lecture Series, curated to represent a wide variety of world-renown artists, engineers, and architects provides an important enrichment opportunity for students, faculty and others campus- and community-wide. Besides attending the lectures, B.Arch and M.Arch students each have dedicated structured opportunities to meet with the lecturers during the day for informal discussions.

B. Design

How graduates are prepared to engage in design activity as a multi-stage process aimed to address increasingly complex problems.
Students Learn Multiple Methods, Skills and Cognitive Processes - The studio is the primary place for the synthesis of the design process. Immersion in design studio helps students form a fluid and dynamic understanding of architecture’s complexities. Studios employ a wide range of approaches to engage and understand the design process. As students progress through the design sequence, they are exposed to numerous tools, methods, intellectual and creative frameworks demonstrating a deep-seated commitment to employing multiple ways of seeing and doing through a complement of digital and analog tools and methodologies, precedent studies, analysis and investigation techniques.

The curricula also integrate a number of co-requisite courses including a four course sequence in Digital Constructs that are mapped to the early design studios; Environmental and Ecological Systems [EES], mapped to the second-year second-semester design studio (second semester first year for M.Arch1); and Professional Practice 1 mapped to the Integrated Design Development [IDD] studio, required for both B.Arch and M.Arch students. In each case, there is a formal interface between select course assignments and the associated studio. As noted in the latest curriculum reform (2013), it is evident that the semi-autonomous course model has great value, allowing non-studio courses to be taught based on first principles relative to a particular body of knowledge while also assisting and informing the particular studio content and methods. In other words, the integrated/dis-integrated model ensures courses will be more than vocational training in how to use a particular digital modeling tool, environmental application or how to perform a code analysis on a single building type, etc. While providing those important grounding application outlets in the studios, the co-requisite courses also remain free to teach at a higher level.

1. Critical Software Practices - Students receive a wide exposure to software applications and their particular biases and strengths, and are expected over time to be flexible, fluid and discerning with respect to their ability to migrate from one to another. In the first semester of Digital Constructs, students learn basic 2- and 3-dimensional skills in Rhinoceros, basic rendering in VRay, and graphics in Adobe Illustrator together with their underpinnings. In the second semester students learn more advanced techniques, and are introduced to procedural thinking through Grasshopper, which is taught both parametrically and algorithmically. Students learn the fundamental difference between these two ways of engaging a design tool. In the third semester, students learn Maya, Fusion 360, and Mental Ray, and are introduced to GIS. In the fourth semester, they learn to use Ecotect and Diva as analysis and optimization tools. Java Script and Python scripting languages are taught to empower students to create their own digital tools. Each semester, students engage one or more of the software applications being taught as well as those they learned earlier in conjunction with, and as a complement to the simultaneous employment of physical modeling and drawing. Integrated Design Development Studio includes instruction in the premises behind, and use of Building Information Modeling [BIM] for their studio projects. There they gain both a working knowledge of Revit, and an understanding of its greater potential for integrated practice.

2. Fabrication Lab - Starting in the first year, B.Arch and M.Arch students are introduced to the Architecture Fabrication Lab through a series of online and onsite safety training and orientation sessions. Coordinated studio projects teach the development of model making skills, including analog tools as well as laser cutting and 3D printing. As students progress, they use the Lab’s many digital fabrication CNC tools including milling, vacuum forming and the ceramics lab. Second-year students are introduced to 3D printing and its advantages and shortcomings, and learn to create digital models suitable for these machines. In Digital Constructs 1, students are introduced to the laser cutter. In Digital Constructs 2, they are introduced to three-axis milling. Digital fabrication is taught as a translational process, not simply an act of recreating a digital model in the physical world.

3. Advanced Environmental and Energy Modeling - In the second year Environmental and Ecological Systems [EES] course students learn a number of environmental and energy modeling and analysis tools that they use as another way of informing their designs.
4. International Building Code [IBC] and Accessibility Standards - In Professional Practice 1 students study the International Building Code [IBC] and accessibility standards, and apply their knowledge of the subject in their ISS studio design projects.

Students Learn to Identify and Frame Problems from a Complex Milieu - The complexity of projects increases as students progress. In early courses, they engage the fundamentals of abstract form, space and program as basic 2- and 3-dimensional representational skills are addressed. Second-year students are challenged with mid- to large-scale projects of cultural and social content, and in which the complexity of geography, site, program, context and culture are simultaneously explored. The core sequence culminates in the Integrated Design Schematic Studio (IDS) and Integrated Design Development Studio (IDD), courses that serve as critical moments of broader yet more specific syntheses of information, regulations, technical and material parameters, practices and values.

Vertical/Option studios open possibility for the consideration of a wide range and scale of architectural problems, and how to frame and propose meaningful responses. By reverse engineering a contemporary project and the motivations and influences that formed it, the required Case Studies course provides students a broader perspective on the diverse influences; technological, cultural, intellectual and other - that shape the architecture of buildings.

In the final project studio(s), within directed research areas set up by faculty, students demonstrate their ability to frame and respond to a contemporary problem that is part of the complex milieu. Students’ work is ultimately presented publically and archived in a book.

Students Learn Generative and Evaluative Strategies – A defining characteristic of design instruction includes teaching students to be cognizant of strategies for generating and evaluating architectural ideas. In studio, students learn multiple ways of framing a problem within the parameters of given conditions and limitations. Generative methods range from the use of a borrowed fragment or metaphor as a beginning strategy, to biomimicry, to the development of mathematically generated systems, structural and/or environmental form-finding. Contextual analysis and bioclimatic design, among others, are introduced, employed and discussed, some premised on working from the whole down to the component, others from the DNA or component code up to the scale of the whole. Students use evaluative analysis and visualization tools and methods to test schemes in relation to specific criteria, whether structural, environmental, regulatory, or in relation to experiential or sensorial criteria. Complementary methods of drawing and making physical study models are coupled with a wide range of digital-modeling, analysis, and visualization techniques.

Methods for generating ideas are mirrored with strategies of critically assessing and evaluating the steps in developing an architectural idea, concept and/or strategy. Students learn to understand the dynamic relationship between the quantitative and qualitative necessities of architectural design. Frequent desk critiques and public reviews allow students and faculty to discuss collectively and shape the progress of each student’s work. Central to this process is the manner in which faculty and students understand the parameters of a given problem, and how methods of critical evaluation are developed. Critique coupled with inquiry and reflectivity is essential to the learning and design processes. Inquiry is essential to critique as the asking of questions broadens the scope of a design response and assists in revealing unintended consequences. Reflectivity is crucial, requiring the designer to stretch beyond his or her current horizon and examine implications and consequence of their own biases on the development of a design response. Inquiry and reflectivity together form an ethical underpinning to the way the design process is taught.

Cycles of Evaluation - Conjecture is essential to imagination. Design is taught as an iterative and critical process that requires the continuous implementation of conjecture on the part of the student. Students are encouraged/required to imagine and partially develop multiple alternatives in response to a design
situation at multiple scales of investigation. They then must submit these alternatives to analysis and
critique on the basis of external criteria (e.g., site, climate, structure, constructability, etc.) identified by the
studio and by their own conceptual ideas and stated objectives for the project. The process of speculation
and analysis typically culminates in a series of possible directions and solutions to a given design project.
Through critical review and feedback, students learn to identify and implement the most effective and
successful aspects of a design. Evaluation and implementation skills are cultivated as students are
challenged to articulate the reasoning for their design decisions.

Methods of Research – Fundamental to the teaching of design process is engaging students in various
modes of investigation. Studio projects typically begin with the necessity to investigate and understand
the basic parameters related to a given project such as site, context, program, precedents, technologies,
client aspirations, social issues, and conceptual possibilities. From this, students build hypotheses and
paths of inquiry to create a coherent, responsive and provocative design.

As students progress, projects increase in complexity and research explorations take on greater depth,
breadth and diversity. Investigations involve conducting site visits in order to understand the physical,
historical and social aspects of a particular place; and may also include the use of library archives,
scholarly literature, GIS data, and/or other resources – primary, secondary and tertiary – that may relate
to specific questions regarding a given project. For example, at the start of second-year studio (first-year
studio for M.Arch), which is dedicated to small institutional buildings (i.e. art and science museums) within
the Capital Region initiative, students are simultaneously charged with conducting rigorous investigations
into the specificity of the institution and site (i.e. archive and building history) as well as programmatic and
typological precedents in the discipline of architecture that could contribute knowledge to the design
considerations.

The Final Project sequence for both the B.Arch and M.Arch students overtly engages research and
design and their relationship. A Methods Seminar focuses on various research methodologies, the
development of a thesis and introduces students to graduate-level research tools and methods with
respect to information access, literary searches, and the proper use and citation of texts and images.
Symposia and lectures focus on the relative criteria and knowledge regarding students’ final project topics
and the relationship to contemporary architectural discourse.

Technical Expertise – The core courses in the technology sequence address the appropriate use of
materials and their relationship to various aspects of design, construction principles, structural principles,
and the ways that buildings respond to and perform with respect to natural and human-made
environmental systems. Students encounter these subject areas throughout the first six semesters of the
undergraduate program and first four semesters of the graduate program. Aspects of these issues are
reinforced in the design studios, and are dealt with more comprehensively in Integrated Design
Schematic Studio and in the Integrated Design Development Studio.

Skillful Action and Judgment - From the outset of the design sequence, students develop the skillsets
and critical concepts necessary to conceive and advance design ideas. Parallel to the skills in
visualization, and fabrication, students are taught to assess critically the decisions and results of the
activities of making and creating formal and spatial artifacts. Faculty establish a framework for continuous
evaluation of student work through desk crits and public reviews. Students learn that though some design
decisions are fundamentally arbitrary, others can and must be made based on sound reasoning. Students
are taught to pursue an understanding of the internal logic of a design situation through diligent
application of thought and iterative practice, and to find ways to capitalize on the external constraints
imposed upon a particular design situation (codes, program, structure, climate, societal imperatives, etc.).
Students are taught that in architecture, even arbitrary decisions are subject to one’s cultivation of a
particular set of tastes and the pursuit of the often-elusive pleasures of design, have consequences.
C. Professional Opportunity

Educating students on the breadth of professional opportunities and career paths - Students are exposed to a variety of best practices, both traditional and alternative, with respect to their underlying biases and aspirations, as well as to the significant differences in size, structure and makeup of different practices. In the required undergraduate Case Studies course, students examine a contemporary building in different contexts including an in depth investigation of the firm and team that designed it. Students study the structure, size, services offered, history, background and biases of the firm and, whenever possible, interview someone from one of the practices (design, engineering or construction manager) who was responsible for the project. Students present and discuss their findings, thereby making each student aware of 10-12 different architecture firms.

In the IDD studio, students participate in a 3-day traveling workshop to New York City where seminars offered by principals/leaders of three to four firms (typically SOM, Grimshaw and Partners, SHoP, AECOM, and/or Snøhetta) give students a first-hand opportunity to experience the setting, hear guiding principles and ask questions.

In addition all M.Arch and select B.Arch students spend a semester at CASE within the NYC office of SOM, where they experience the professional culture of a leading multidisciplinary firm, and engage directly with their personnel, scientists and engineers on joint research projects.

Understanding alternative roles for architects in the building industry - Exposures to allied professions and roles are in part made possible through interdisciplinary courses with Engineering (Bedford) and Humanities (PIP). All professional program students also take required Professional Practice courses where a variety of firm types, diverse practice management models, traditional and alternative career paths and settings are presented and discussed. As indicated in the chart provided (see supplemental materials) numerous additional opportunities to gain exposure to and understanding of professional opportunities range from the previously mentioned Bedford Traveling Workshop, to BLAST>off-Off! events, to the Position Series, to visits to offices associated with our travel abroad programs, portfolio review opportunities and the annual career fair featuring as many as 30 practices on site. In addition, the School Lecture Series features a diverse set of 11-12 lecturers who represent the many ways of practicing in a global landscape.

Preparation for Transition to Internship and Licensure - Each year the School’s Architect Licensing Advisor addresses the incoming class, 1) to make certain they know that he is their Licensing Advisor and available for questions relating to internship and licensing, and 2) to detail the path to licensure and their eligibility to establish an NCARB Record and participate in the Intern Development Program [IDP]. In that session and follow-up communications, students receive links to the NCARB site and IDP Guidelines. A second annual presentation geared toward upper year students who have already begun, or are considering entry into the IDP, discusses requirements for licensure and registration including the Intern Development Program and the variables between jurisdictions. Although Rensselaer is in New York State (where IDP is only counted after graduation), most of our students will license elsewhere. Students are encouraged to establish their record and begin IDP regardless of where they think they may wish to register. The presentation covers recent changes in IDP, the ARE and when students/graduates may be eligible. This material also is covered in the Professional Practice 1 course.

D. Stewardship of the Environment

Courses Addressing the Environment and Design Practices Relating to it - The ethos of sustainable practices is featured prominently in the core curriculum of both the B.Arch and M.Arch programs as well as in elective and other offerings. Two recent tenure-track hires in the area of environmental stewardship and bioclimatic design have enabled us to move forward confidently in developing a scientifically rigorous and ethically principled foundation on which our students are able to act. B.Arch students are introduced
to principles of environmental stewardship in their first year (Energy Comfort and Ecology [ECE]) through discussion of climate-responsive vernacular buildings, classical and architectural ecology, human thermal comfort, fuel types and end-uses in buildings, climate change, and embodied energies of materials. This prepares them for study of passive heating, cooling, ventilation, and daylighting in their second year and high-efficiency mechanical systems in their fourth year. M.Arch students, in lieu of taking ECE, spend a semester at CASE in the Built Ecologies Program where they take Built Ecologies 1, a course focused on environmental and bioclimatic design principles.

Second Year B.Arch and first year M.Arch students take Environmental and Ecological Systems [EES] in conjunction with their design studio. They focus on the use of quantitative climate and microclimate data, material thermal properties, and basic heat transfer and airflow relationships to design high-performance envelopes and controllable passive systems for heating, cooling, ventilation, and daylighting. Analysis and system designs are tailored to each student’s studio project and are evaluated according to their abilities to meet ASHRAE 55 adaptive comfort zone requirements using both hand calculations and introductory-level building energy modeling. Half the instructional time is devoted to laboratory exercises, in which students evaluate performance of envelopes and passive solar heating, daylighting, shading, and natural ventilation systems of existing campus buildings, using research instruments (illuminometers, surface and air thermometers, infrared cameras, solar pathfinders, anemometers, and flow bubbles). These exercises, conducted along with design work, enhance students’ experience and intuition regarding such systems.

In their third year, both professional cohorts take Building Systems and the Environment [BSE], which address high-efficiency HVAC and electric lighting systems, water and wastewater, and acoustics. Topics closely related to environmental stewardship include photovoltaics, air- and ground-source heat pumps, advanced VAV systems, photo-controlled electric lighting, and graywater systems.

Two elective courses, Sustainable Building Design Strategies and Sustainable Building Design Metrics, allow students to explore green building strategies, as well as LEED and other building rating systems, through detailed case studies.

In their final year, B.Arch students select a directed research area in which to undertake their final projects. Many are guided by ecological principles and thinking. The M.Arch students, complementing their semester at CASE, develop a masters project focused on either Urban Ecologies (Regional/Urban Scale) or Environmental Parametrics (Building/Urban Scale), giving the program significant distinction in relation to environment concerns.

Courses with content on the laws and practices governing architects and the built environment – Courses with content on the laws and practices governing architects and the built environment include ECE, EES, BSE, and BE1 all of which include ASHRAE 55: Thermal Environmental Conditions for Human Occupancy, Professional Practice 1 which includes instruction on the IBC, BSE which includes content on the International Building Code content, especially Ch. 12: Indoor Environment and Ch. 13: Energy Efficiency and the Sustainable Building Design Metrics and Sustainable Building Design Strategies which include, among regulatory laws instruction on LEED and other environmental standards.

The Ethos of Sustainable Practices - Students in upper-level sustainability courses are encouraged to prepare for and take the LEED Green Associate exam. Students in Building Science courses are encouraged to join the Society for Building Science Educators (whose mission is promoting education in passive and low-energy architectural design), and to attend conferences in green design, including the Symposium on Simulation and Urban Design, GreenBuild, the American Solar Energy Society Conference, and the Passive and Low-Energy Architecture Conference.

E. Community and Social Responsibility
Examples of public and community projects/programs as structured elements within coursework - The School's commitment to creating better places and increasing livability starts with The Capital Region Initiative in the required 2nd year B.Arch design studio (1st year for M.Arch). Recent studios focused on designs for the Shaker Museum, the Hyde Collection, The Museum of Innovation and Science, Troy Riverfront Park, and Omi International Arts Center.

Studios also regularly engage key sites in the City of Troy, which is transforming from a post-industrial city to a vibrant livable community. Pressures to develop key sites are growing, and our housing studio course has used key sites such as One Monument Square and the hillside between the City and campus to develop students’ understanding of urban design, its relationship between building design and public consequences. Similar urban sites have been taken up by upper-level studios, including one that designed Urban Furniture for Troy's Riverfront Park. This work was presented to the City leadership and has promise to receive a second round of funding to realize several of the designs.

At CASE, environmentally-based research projects also relate to communities, including development of a new building material developed from the byproducts (husk and shell) of the coconut industry that promises to recycle what was previously waste material into a green product while creating an industry for the otherwise unemployed. Other CASE research includes development of novel flexible off-shore (mangrove-like) foundation systems to create artificial barrier islands that have the potential to protect cities vulnerable to sea level rise, and in particular, storm surge.

Examples of public and community projects/programs outside of coursework - Outside of class, students participate in CANstruction, which contributes significantly to the regional food pantry. For several years running, in competition with local firms and organizations, they have been award winners and major contributors to the energy and success of the program, which is locally run by one of our alums. In addition, some students are involved in tutoring Troy High School students.

Nurturing a Calling to Civic Engagement – The Professional Practice courses introduce students to public processes, including zoning and planning meetings, and the significance of informed public input. Students are required to attend and reflect upon at least one public meeting in each course, preferably featuring a controversial project, to reflect on the different players, process and findings, and to take a position. Students are encouraged to become involved in issues related to local initiatives.

The Programs’ Approach to Each of the Five Perspectives

To great extent, each of the defining perspectives characterize Rensselaer’s B.Arch and M.Arch programs well and played a significant role in the 2013 curriculum reform initiative that is now phasing into the curriculum.

Learning Culture - many of the collaboration and leadership initiatives – in particular, student leadership in the Dean’s Student Advisory Council, the AIAS and NOMAS - contribute to a strong culture inside and outside the classroom, through the Position Series and Section-Cut Pin-Up, broad participation of honors reviews, Brown’s Fellows presentations and exhibitions, and lecture series attendance. We have a community of engaged learners who engage in not-for-credit activities as well as their coursework. Within the studios and classrooms, constructive collaboration characterizes the way our students learn. It is a culture of design that builds on the integration of abstract ideas and pragmatic concerns supported by advanced technologies, techniques and workflows aimed at ensuring that students (and graduates) are prepared to think forward. It is a culture that connects to best practices in the professional world. Our students are motivated stewards of the environment and are increasingly responsive to the social responsibility that belongs to those who design built environments.
Curriculum Design, Review, and Development - The defining perspectives played a prominent role in our recent curricular reform, and in our faculty hires. The perspectives were key in affirming and recommitting to the Capital Region Initiative, important in establishing the balance between collaborative and individual work, and in developing ways to execute and assess collaborative work in a learning environment. They were catalytic to creating a semi-autonomous Digital Constructs course sequence, enhancing the professional practice course sequence (from one to three required courses), key to committing to new hires in the area of bioclimatic design and the environment, and in creating a new course in Energy Comfort and the Environment in the first year.

Specific Course Review, Development, or Revision – The defining perspectives had significant impact on the design/re-design of courses including Professional Practice, where in addition to expanding the number of required courses, a new requirement to attend a public meeting exposes our students to public processes regarding development, regulations and the environment. The perspectives also factored into our changes to the fifth-year Methods Seminar course with respect to presenting different Research Methodologies to ensure that students understand their differences of approach and outcome; the splitting and expansion of the Design Development studio into a two-course Integrated Design studio sequence.

Off-campus, Extra-curricular, or Co-curricular Learning Experiences - The Defining Perspectives inform the selection of lecturers [All-School Lecture Series], as well as the addition informal student meetings with the lecturers. The perspectives support the importance of a vibrant student leadership team as evidenced in our Deans Student Advisory Council, the NOMAS and AIAS chapters, and their many recent initiatives, the BLAST>off! initiative, the Brown’s Travelling Fellowship, the three-day IDD trip to various exemplary practices in New York City, and the Bedford Interdisciplinary A/E and PIP initiatives.

Long-Range Planning for the Program – The Defining Perspectives are critical to the long-range planning of the school as evidenced in the latest curricular reform. Faculty agree that the world and our profession are in a phase of significant transition, that we must graduate students with an understanding of overarching outcomes that help them understand that knowledge, technology, techniques and even the scope and possibility of our influence evolve. Students need elastic minds and willingness to engage and lead in those transitions, and to work successfully with others inside and outside their discipline. They need highly developed design and analysis skills, a broad awareness of the range of professional opportunities, and an awareness of the consequences of their actions on the environment and in society.

Self-Assessment Activities for the Program - Continual self-assessment to maintain these perspectives and realize our mission is taken seriously. The next section describes in detail our regular and rigorous commitment to outcome-based learning, and the review and assessment of individual courses, the curriculum and programs at the School of Architecture.

I.1.5 Long-Range Planning

Identifying multi-year objectives within the context of the institutional and program mission. Annual performance planning that moves from the school to the institute level, and through the curriculum committee and associated task group committees.

Performance planning, tied to the development of highest priorities, new initiatives, new and replacement faculty lines, and annual budget allocations is the means by which each Rensselaer portfolio (including the five schools) aligns hires, efforts, initiatives and resources to Institute-wide highest priorities [IWHP], program mission and objectives. In 2015 those priorities are aligned with the grand challenges of our time, pedagogical innovation, the student experience, and resource generation. In addition to providing the current state of the school, the plan is organized by IWHP’s, identifies portfolio (school) related goals and key initiatives, indicates how the school plans to address those goals and the resources required to do so. After presentation and review at the Dean’s Council and President’s Cabinet, and discussion with
the Provost, a budget plan is developed and forwarded to Institute leadership. The annual Performance Plan is used as a guide for recruitment and marketing, and in 2014-15 resulted in the re-envisioning and re-launch of our 4-year Building Science B.S. program, and the re-envisioning of our M.ArchI post-professional program to become a Master of Science in Architecture program. In addition, Performance Plans guide responses to signature thrusts, research programs, and institute initiatives such as the Art_X@Rensselaer initiative. The Performance Plan also guides internal long-range planning in light of institute-wide highest priorities, the state of the profession, the School's mission and ongoing assessment of the programs.

Our Curriculum Committee, which meets bi-weekly, addresses curricular issues including development of new programs, revision of existing programs, assessment of programs in relation to stated mission and goals, accreditation standards, response to Institute initiatives, preparation of documents and presentations of proposed curricular and course changes to the Faculty Senate (Institute-wide) curriculum committee, internal policy changes, and catalog changes. In addition, task groups are charged with issues such as innovative pedagogical methods, School of Architecture tenure standards, etc.

Every few years, the planning process includes a thorough review of programs and curriculum in relation to: state of the profession, state of the academy, accreditation standards, School mission and goals, and Institutional mission and goals. In 2013-14, the Curriculum Committee undertook a comprehensive review of the B.Arch and M.Arch programs, and made (with input and approval from the faculty, Dean and the FSCC) several major changes to strengthen alignment with the School's mission, NAAB SPC's and Defining Perspectives. Recent large-scale changes include: revisions to the B.Arch Program; revisions to the M.Arch Program (pending State approval); re-invention of the post-professional Master's Program; and relaunch of the Bachelor of Science in Building Science Program.

**Process by Which the Program Identifies Student Learning Outcomes**

Outcome-based learning is important in planning and assessment at both the program and course levels. Rensselaer's focus on learning outcomes is strongly reinforced at all scales of the Institute through the hire of a Student Learning Assessment Specialist (who operates out of the office of the Provost), the creation of a standing Assessment Committee with members from each school, and the use of Digital Measures [DM], a centralized online system for mapping learning outcomes to courses and their assessment. With the exception of agreed-upon program level outcomes that are mapped to required courses, faculty are responsible for developing learning outcomes that meet the standards of the Institute, namely that each student demonstrate learning in a particular area. Much attention is paid to the difference between intentions (objectives) and accomplishments (outcomes).

The required use of Digital Measures, to create an online record for each course, includes completion of learning outcomes and student assessment. Compliance is monitored by the Assessment Committee, Dean and ultimately by the Office of the Provost. Specific course learning outcomes are not reviewed centrally unless the course is new, being revised, or if there is a comprehensive review initiated by the department or school. New and revised courses must first pass through the department and/or school curriculum committee responsible for ensuring that learning outcomes meet the standard of the institute. Following school-level approval by the curriculum committee and Dean, Associate Deans present new course(s)/program(s) or course/program changes to the FSCC, which scrutinizes, among other things – the learning outcomes for compliance before approving the course or program.

In 2013-14 the school’s comprehensive assessment of the B.Arch and M.Arch programs led to a number of significant changes. Following a thorough analysis of the required course sequences, including a chronological listing of every course learning outcome and content area covered in each of the various required course sequences (Design, History/Theory/Criticism, Technology, and Professional Practice), the committee mapped the school’s aspirations and mission to the NAAB Student Performance Criteria and Defining Perspectives, curricula of peer and aspirant programs and the changing profession, as the
basis for a collective discussion about the realignment, sunsetting and addition of required courses and their learning outcomes. Program level outcomes, relating to the mission of the school and its vision for the development of 21st century leaders in the profession, were addressed at two day-long faculty retreats. This led to an alignment between program-level learning outcomes and revised set of required courses designed to impact the professional programs and all professional program students.

Each affected (required) course was packaged together with its particular program learning outcomes, presented to, reviewed and passed by the FSCC. Program level outcomes were uploaded to Digital Measures and faculty are responsible for 1) listing the agreed upon course learning outcomes in accordance with the associated program level outcomes, 2) mapping assignments and 3) course evaluation criteria (grading) to them. Instructors are encouraged to add course learning outcomes as long as program-level outcomes agreed upon by the faculty are maintained and fulfilled. At the end of each semester, after receiving student evaluations, faculty are required to self-assess their course with respect to each of the learning outcomes, whether they were achieved and how they might improve the next time it is offered. We are currently phasing-in those changes to the curricula. (http://www.arch.rpi.edu/naab/08-Curriculum-Pre-Retreat-Documents.pdf).

Data and Information Sources used to Inform the Development of Learning Outcomes
Data and information used in this process includes: NAAB’s SPCs and Defining Perspectives; a compilation of course syllabi, broken down into learning outcomes and content areas; an analysis of peer and aspirant schools’ curricula; information from the Dean’s Student Advisory Committee; ARE Pass rates published by NCARB; and the results from graduating student exit interviews. In addition, the Curriculum Committee compares best practices by peer and aspirant schools and incorporates the expertise of our own faculty and colleagues in professional practice. Our faculty also provide information they obtain from professional conferences and workshops, while serving as guest reviewers, and in best-practice discussions with colleagues from other schools.

The Role of Long-Range Planning in Other Programmatic and Institutional Planning Initiatives
Long-range planning is a part of the ethos of the Institute, driven by the Rensselaer Plan 2024 that identifies institute-wide highest priorities and ensures, through annual performance planning, that each school Dean map their key initiatives to the overarching priorities of the institute. Within the context of an Institutional commitment to, and strengths in scientific and technological innovation, the School has built graduate research programs in areas of Lighting, Architectural Acoustics, and Built Ecologies. Long-range planning has led to the development of the Lighting Research Center and CASE, the development of a Ph.D. in Architectural Sciences, and all programs and centers that have a direct impact on our learning culture and professional program students.

Recent planning has led to: 1) a recommitment to and redesign of the 4-year Building Science program; 2) direct engagement in the Art_X@Rensselaer (Art across the curriculum) initiative; 3) sustaining and growing our international study abroad options in India, Italy and China including close attention to partnering with peer institutions at those locations; and, 4) development of a Latin American initiative. We also are continuing to build on the Bedford A/E initiatives, expand our marketing initiatives, and use BLAST>off! to expand students’ awareness of professional traditional and non-traditional career options.

At the Institute level, Architecture’s Associate Dean has assumed a leadership role in the review of the Institute’s Core Curriculum, which has led to development of a new set of Institutional overarching outcomes. He is currently co-chairing a committee charged with developing a new institute-wide core curriculum that is linked to the Rensselaer Plan 2024. In addition the curriculum committee is engaged in long-range plan to institute a sophomore summer session that will be phased in over the next four years.

The Role the Five Perspectives Play in Long-Range Planning - The five defining perspectives play prominently in long-term planning and the initiatives of the School. Consideration of collaboration and leadership has led to: 1) increased attention to the balance of collaborative and individual work inside
studios and courses; 2) development of new interdisciplinary collaboration experiences; 3) increased exposure to other disciplines through coursework, research and learning settings; 4) strategic strengthening of course assistantships, and 5) increasing the number of research opportunities that cultivate leadership. Additionally, strategic discussions of design led to an agreement upon a revised, collectively owned core design sequence that structures first- and second-year studies with respect to specific learning outcomes and expands the Design Development studio into a two-course integrated design studio sequence.

Regarding professional opportunities, the school determined to: 1) strengthen the Bedford A/E initiative with full funding of the traveling workshop; 2) reaffirm the Integrated Design Development's field trip to best practices in New York City; 3) affirm the use of the Lecture Series to bring in experts from a variety of allied disciplines; 4) expand from one course in professional practice to three courses, including one dedicated to practice management; 5) create a digital constructs course sequence linked to studios and 6) launch the BLAST>off! initiative.

With respect to stewardship of the environment: 1) long-range planning through the performance planning process secured two faculty-line hires dedicated to areas related to bioclimatic design, 2) the faculty moved to expand the number of required courses in this content area from one to two for the B.Arch students, and 3) to require M.Arch students to spend one semester immersed in environmental and ecological design at the Center for Architecture Science and Ecology [CASE].

Regarding community and social responsibility, the school: 1) created the Capital Region Initiative in the second-year studio, 2) engages key community sites in the City of Troy, and 3) exposes students to civic engagement through required attendance and reflection on public meetings and processes relating to development and the quality of the built environment.

I.1.6. Assessment

A. Program Self-Assessment

With regard to ongoing mission evaluation and multi-year objectives - Self-assessment occurs at every level from faculty, to course, program, school and the Institution. As outlined in I.1.5 long-range planning, individual faculty members are required to self-assess their teaching and course(s) learning outcomes through Digital Measures each semester. For faculty whose course outcomes are linked to program outcomes this is particularly important.

Course Assessment - Within weeks of completing a course, and after receiving student evaluations, faculty members are required to assess their course, course learning outcomes, associated assignments and evaluation (grading) criteria through the Digital Measures course assessment module. Course assessment is designed to trigger course changes. As instructors are preparing syllabi for the next semester, they receive individualized communications, reminding them of program level outcomes that are linked to their courses.

Student Course and Faculty Evaluations - In addition to the Digital Measures course records and assessment (by faculty members), the Institute employs a system of student evaluations. Evaluation forms are given electronically to students at end of each semester. The results of the evaluations are shared with the individual faculty member responsible for the course and their department head. The statistical summary of the course evaluations, which rates the teaching and the course separately, and comments are generally seen as valuable.

Institutional and Program-Level Self-Assessment - Institutional and program-level assessment is ongoing through annual performance planning and through regional accreditation. Program-level assessment is undertaken locally by the schools and/or triggered by the Institute Assessment Committee.
that requires all schools and departments develop and submit and update program-level outcomes for each degree-granting program. Subsequently, program level re-assessment is triggered by an accreditation cycle such as ABET, or NAAB, or may be voluntarily undertaken as was the case for the B.Arch and M.Arch programs in 2013 as outlined above in I.1.5 Long Range Planning. On a 10-year cycle, the Institute is reviewed by Middle States Commission on Higher Education with a focus on course learning, program and Institutional level outcomes and assessment.

In Architecture achievement of program level outcomes are assessed periodically by the Curriculum Committee and leadership team. Part of that assessment includes a review of progress in addressing “causes for concern” raised at the last accreditation visit, progress toward meeting program goals and toward addressing shifting factors and new opportunities. Solicitation of faculty through the recent curriculum reform process was inclusive. Subcommittees assessed various curricular areas in relation to the mission and NAAB criteria. Students provided input via the Dean’s Student Advisory Council, comprised of elected students from each class and program. The Council is engaged in vetting materials and also in bringing student issues to the Dean’s attention.

**How self-assessment is used in long-range planning, curriculum development, learning culture and responses to external pressures or challenges to the institution** - At Rensselaer long-range planning and assessment are closely wed. A description of the manner in which the results of program self-assessment informs long-range planning is integrated in section I.1.5. Not only did the most recent reform influence curriculum development with respect to perceived deficiencies, but was instrumental in finding ways to inculcate a greater sense of a unique architecture culture. It provided students with an early experience in both material and environmental technologies and strategically realigned how digital tools and applications are taught and integrated with respect to our mission of ensuring that our graduates have a highly principled command of computational tools and techniques. It enabled us to better address integrative design in light of increasingly numerous and complex criteria associated with the profession, and to reshape the Final Project research/design experience to help students understand their professional role as agents of change.

**Faculty Assessment** - The Dean executes a performance evaluation of each faculty member in the areas of teaching, research/scholarship, and service annually. Following submission of a self-assessment report, faculty members meet with the Dean and receive a written summary of his evaluation.

**B. Curricular Assessment and Development**

A chart identifying all the parties in the curricular assessment process (http://www.arch.rpi.edu/naab/09-CurricularAssessmentChart.pdf).

**Students’ assessments of the accredited degree programs’ curriculum and learning context**

Assessments of the degree programs is obtained through annual exit surveys of graduating class and periodic surveys of faculty, alumni, and students. A 2015 survey of B.Arch students showed that in general, students strongly agreed that their academic program provides a strong education and understanding of the need for lifelong learning. Students indicate overwhelmingly that they are effectively prepared to develop independent ideas, to consider and solve complex design problems, and to understand environmental impacts and concerns. Students also express great satisfaction with their study-abroad opportunities, as well as curriculum enhancements, including charrettes, lectures and workshops.

The B.Arch students also expressed some concerns. Only 62% agreed or strongly agreed that the program provides ample opportunity to explore their interests in related fields, areas of inquiry, and to pursue minors. 15% disagreed with the statement, and 23% remained neutral, making this a topic to be addressed by the Curriculum Committee in coming months.
Another area of student concern is the statement, “the program provides students with opportunities to engage and learn from and with allied disciplines and professions.” While this may be the result of a tightly controlled and rigorous 5-year academic program, it will be a topic for the Curriculum Committee to discuss, since 7% of students disagreed and 30% remained neutral.

In a similar concern, only 67% of students agreed or strongly agreed to the statement, “the program provides opportunities beyond the studio and classroom that further develop leadership and collaboration skills.” 8% of students disagreed, and 25% remained neutral, making this a topic for the Curriculum Committee to discuss. (It may be that the very full academic program in Architecture does not allow for many extra leadership and collaboration opportunities.)

A 2015 survey of M.Arch students showed that, in general they are very satisfied with the quality of their academic program. 100% of respondents said they agreed or strongly agreed with 11 of the survey questions, covering topics including lifelong learning, collaboration and teamwork, experience with a variety of approaches to Architecture, preparation for licensure and career, and environmental concerns.

On several of the survey questions, students expressed some dissatisfaction. 25% disagreed with the statement, “The program provides students ample opportunity to explore their interests in related fields, areas of inquiry, and to pursue minors.” This may be a reflection of the fact that, in the interest of allowing students to minimize their time to degree completion, the M.Arch program is filled with required courses and studios, setting students on an accelerated path to degree completion.

In a related question, 25% of students were neutral regarding the statement, “The program provides students with opportunities to engage and learn from and with allied disciplines and professions.” Again, this may be a result of the tightly scheduled plan of study, which was established to allow students to progress through the program in a very efficient manner. It may be important, at a future Curriculum Committee meeting, to consider building flexibility into the demanding and rigorous M.Arch schedule.

The following statements, with which students expressed significant disagreement, will be matters for further discussion in future Curriculum Committee meetings: (1) 12.5% of students disagreed with the statement, “Students are prepared to understand how architecture relates to its surrounding communities;” (2) 12.5% of students disagreed with the statement, “The program provides opportunities to understand the role the architect plays in the larger building process.”

Graduates’ assessments of the accredited degree programs’ curriculum and learning context

A 2015 survey of alumni less than ten years out showed that they generally provided very positive feedback about their experiences as students and the long-term value of their Rensselaer education. Similar to the B.Arch and M.Arch students, alumni gave very positive responses about being educated to understand environmental impacts and environmental/sustainability concerns. Although alumni had some specific complaints about too much design focus and not enough practical focus, the comments in general showed that alumni were well educated and reaping the benefits of an extraordinary education.

Alumni indicated that they felt they did not have many opportunities beyond the studio and classroom that were effective in furthering their leadership and collaboration skills. Current students rated this question more positively than the alumni, indicating that progress has been made in this area, although there is more to do, apparently. Similarly, alumni and current students disagreed with the statement that they had opportunities to engage with and learn from allied disciplines and professions.

Only 57% of alumni agreed that the curriculum provided ample opportunity for them to explore interests in related fields and areas of inquiry through minors, majors and co-terminal degrees. Again, this matches the responses of the current graduate and undergraduate students, and may be a reflection of the demanding and rigorous Architecture plan of study. Perhaps it will be a topic of discussion by the Curriculum Committee.
Some 14% of alumni disagreed that the School prepared them for internships, licensure and practice in the architectural profession. This is interesting, since 91% of alumni reported that they are currently pursuing a career in an architecture-related field, and 87% agreed that the curriculum provided them with a strong education based on foundational principles the lead to lifelong learning.

In conclusion, there appears to be overwhelming agreement by alumni that their education has been valuable. While the alumni did point out in the comments and in some survey responses that there are things that might be improved upon in the future, the overall response of alumni is extraordinarily positive.

Faculty assessments of the accredited degree programs’ curriculum and learning context

A 2015 survey of faculty indicated that, in general, faculty have a high degree of satisfaction with the curriculum and the ability of the School to produce graduates who are equipped to succeed and lead in the profession of Architecture. In particular, faculty indicated very strong agreement that the School’s study-abroad and CASE opportunities provide students with important curriculum options.

Regarding curriculum specifics, faculty strongly agree that students are made aware of the environmental impact of building practices, that the program effectively prepares students to engage in and solve complex design problems, and that the program effectively prepares students to pursue architecture on an innovative level. Interestingly, tenured and tenure track faculty rated the program much higher than contingent faculty with regard to preparing students to understand the relationship between design and the other components of the discipline of architecture. One reason for the discrepancy may be that tenured and tenure-track faculty are more familiar with all the facets of the curriculum, including opportunities for interdisciplinary collaboration. Tenured and tenure-track faculty provided a much more positive response to a question about minors, majors and co-terminal programs which, again, may simply indicate that tenured and tenure-track faculty are more knowledgeable about these matters.

It is also important to note that, in one of the few survey questions that deals directly with the professional growth of faculty, there was an overwhelming agreement – 85% - who indicated that supportive mentorship is provided to them.

Regarding financial investment in the School of Architecture, this faculty member said that infrastructure investment has been “low to nonexistent,” and that the Fabrication Shop technologies are in need of upgrading. This faculty member also said that “the poor acoustics of the gallery threatens its viability as a teaching platform.”

On a more positive note, the faculty member expressed satisfaction that the School has been able to hire replacement faculty, and that those hired have been female, addressing a need for increased faculty diversity. Additionally, the faculty member said that the design faculty are united and committed to the reformulated curriculum which has “wide buy-in” and that the design faculty are a cohesive group. In conclusion, the comments of the faculty member mirror the survey results, which indicate strong support for the curriculum and some concerns about the career development path for faculty in the School.

A Description, if applicable, of Institutional Requirements for Self-Assessment - See above in Assessment and Long-Range Planning.
Section 2 - Progress since the Previous Visit

Program Response to Conditions Not Met

CONDITION 3.12 Professional Degrees and Curriculum (M.Arch)

VTR text: The Master of Architecture criterion has not been met. It is a 3 ½ year program which requires an undergraduate degree in any field plus 112 credit hours. The 3 ½ year Master’s program has been continuously accredited since 1979/80. At the time of the visit, the program required an undergraduate degree in any field plus 88 undergraduate credits plus 24 graduate credits. The condition of accreditation requires at least 30 semester credit hours of graduate level by 1 January 2015. The team recommends a transition that will establish an identifiable graduate level curriculum as soon as possible to help promote stronger intellectual integrity and a collective identity within the Master of Architecture program.

RESPONSE: M.Arch 1 curriculum revision.

In 2010 the Master of Architecture curriculum was revised to conform to the requirement of having at least 30 credits of graduate-level coursework. This change in the template was approved by the School of Architecture and the Institute-wide Curriculum Committees and then became part of the curriculum, bringing it into conformance with the NAAB standard. The change was made by adding a requirement for 6 elective credits at the graduate level.

1. **Distinct identifiable Graduate Level Curriculum** - In 2014-15 the School, with approval of its Curriculum Committee, faculty, Dean, and the Institute’s Faculty Senate Curriculum Committee, took the M. Arch through a curricular reform that increases the number of graduate credits to 47 at the 5000-level and 41 at the 6000-level (35 required and 6 elective). The remaining 12 credits are professional and general electives that may be fulfilled with courses at the 4000 (undergraduate), 5000 or 6000 level. Courses taken with B. Arch students (5000-level courses) require faculty to develop unique syllabi and have distinguishing content. We built in an expectation that M. Arch students with greater world experience and a prior degree should be able to reflect on their work and to position it more substantially than B. Arch students. The 6000-level courses are graduate courses unavailable to undergraduates, except by special permission.

2. **Distinct Professional Practice and Research Culture Identity** - To establish an identifiable graduate-level curriculum, we integrated a semester at the Center for Architecture Science and Ecology [CASE] embedded within a professional practice and research culture. Working with Ph.D. students and without undergraduates significantly promotes stronger intellectual integrity and a collective identity of the M. Arch program. At CASE these students take 13 6000-level credits and are engaged in research projects relating to next-generation sustainable building technologies.

3. **Distinct Thesis Level Identity** - Furthermore, and to complement the semester at the CASE, the Final Project has been shifted to an association with the post professional students, placing M. Arch in a uniquely graduate culture for their final year of studio.

CONDITION 13.14 Accessibility (B.Arch. and M.Arch. 1)

VTR text: Ability to design both site and building to accommodate individuals with varying physical abilities. This criterion has not been met, again. The course manuals indicated that students had an awareness of the ADA requirements. However, the studio projects did not clearly demonstrate an ability to design for accessibility. Projects lacked identification of handicapped parking and curb cuts.
Some flat sites might work out to be accessible, but sites on sloping surfaces do not appear to have been closely studied nor solved. Some door and egress issues were not resolved. Areas of refuge in stairwells were non-existent in the majority of the design projects.

RESPONSE: In 2011-12 the school responded by:

1. **New Design Studio Module on Accessibility** - Adding a required 2nd Year B. Arch. (1st Year M. Arch.) design module integrating emphasis on site and building accessibility.

2. **New ‘Tech Talk’ on Accessibility** - The Design Development studio increased emphasis on accessibility through a ‘Tech Talk’ component dedicated to understanding and meeting accessibility standards from the curb to and throughout the building.

3. **Stronger Professional Practice + Design Development Course Interface** - Strengthening Professional Practice teaching on accessibility, including coordination with Design Development Studio to ensure substantial instruction regarding accessibility.

4. **Increased Faculty Awareness** - Awareness of need to include accessibility in studio projects.

Under the 2013-14 curriculum reform:

5. **Site Planning + Site Accessibility / New Learning Outcome** - Site planning and accessibility remained a learning outcome and topic of attention in the 2nd year fall B.Arch Design Studio (1st year fall semester M.Arch) as an integral studio requirement.

6. **New IDS Studio Course w/ Emphasis on Site and Building Accessibility** - Integrated Design Schematic Studio [IDS] includes learning outcomes and project design expectations dealing with site and building accessibility as part of the pre- and schematic design phases.

7. **Stronger Professional Practice + Design Development Course Interface** - Greater integration of co-requisite Integrated Design Development Studio and Professional Practice 1 courses increase emphasis on building and site accessibility through coordinated assignments and evaluation of design of accessible stairs with areas of refuge, and meeting accessibility standards.

**CONDITION 13.17 Site Conditions (B.Arch. and M.Arch. 1)**

*VTR text: Ability to respond to natural and build site characteristics in the development of a program and the design of a project. This criterion was not met. Many projects were presented with sites that seemed like they could work; however, on closer examination projects did not clearly show an ability to respond to natural and built site characteristics. For example, there were no clear examples of ground level development including entrance, landscaping, access, drainage, parking etc. for sloped sites. There needs to be more attention paid to the sloping sites by showing appropriate contours and spot elevations along with building modifications to accommodate the site conditions. RPI is located in a setting where the dramatically sloping landscape forms provide convenient examples for students to visit and get a better understanding of the impact of contour changes."

RESPONSE: In 2011-12 the School responded by:

1. **New Design Studio Module on Site Conditions** - Adding a 2nd Year B. Arch. (1st Year M. Arch.) studio module on site conditions as a requirement, including emphasis on site condition analysis.
and documentation, and ability to respond to natural and built site characteristics, especially on sloped sites with attention to landscape development, access, entrance, and parking.

2. **New ‘Tech Talk’ on Site Development** - The Design Development Studio dedicated a ‘Tech-Talk’ to site development including slopes, vegetation, trees, use of contours, cut and fill techniques, parking, hard and soft-scaping, as well as the development of a site plan. Some student-selected buildings in DD are on zero lot-line urban sites and not effective for this purpose.

3. **Increased Faculty Awareness** - The school also made a concerted effort to increase faculty and student awareness regarding the importance of site conditions in studio projects.

Under the 2013-14 curriculum reform:

4. **Site Conditions and Planning / New Learning Outcome** - Site conditions and planning became a learning outcome and topic of attention in the 2nd year fall semester B.Arch Design Studio (1st year fall semester M. Arch) as part of the studio project requirement. A module teaching design and management of slopes, contours, cut and fill as well as vegetation, roadways, parking, hard and soft-scaping has been added.

5. **New IDS Studio w/ Emphasis on Site Conditions and Planning** - Integrated Design Schematic Studio, required for the B.Arch students, has learning outcomes and teaching expectations regarding site conditions and planning as part of pre- and schematic design phases.

**Program Response to Causes of Concern**

**CONDITION 3.4   Social Equity (M.Arch 1 and B.Arch.)**

*VTR text:* The cause for concern in 2010 is based on lack of faculty diversity. There are only two women faculty who are full time. Both work primarily off campus.

The accredited degree program must provide faculty, students, and staff- irrespective of race, ethnicity, creed, national origin, gender, age, physical ability, or sexual orientation- with an educational environment in which each person is equitably able to learn, teach, and work. The school must have a clear policy on diversity that is communicated to current and prospective faculty, students, and staff and that is reflected in the distribution of the program’s human, physical, and financial resources. Faculty, staff, and students must also have equitable opportunities to participate in program governance.

This criterion was met with concern in the two previous visits and again in this visit. This team finds the original issues have only been partially resolved. Student recruitment efforts have increased the number of women and minorities enrolled in the undergraduate program and there has been a significant increase in the level of student retention.

However, there continues to be an issue regarding the hiring and retention of female and persons from underrepresented groups to serve as full-time faculty members. In addition, no women or minority faculty members have been promoted to the level of full professor, when asked about the historical record of promotion for women, RPI was not able to provide additional information. With the assurances and immediate actions by the new dean regarding recent hires for clinical and adjunct faculty positions and with the diversity hiring goals set forth by the university administration, the team
is confident that the issue of social equity as reflected in the distribution of faculty positions will be rectified within an expedited time span. To temporarily bridge the gap regarding the lack of women and minority role models for the students, women speakers dominate the list of lecturers featured in the 2009-10 All-school Lecture Series. This year’s adjunct and clinical faculty hires reflect a commitment to bring more women and minority architects to RPI.

RESPONSE

SoA’s Commitment to Diversity - The School has taken strong steps to increase diversity among the full-time faculty, in response to the program’s unwavering commitment to intellectual, gender and ethnic diversity. The School of Architecture abides by the Institute’s policy on Institute Diversity as stated by President Shirley Ann Jackson (www.rpi.edu/dept/diversity/).

1. **Diversity Candidate Solicitation** - Specific teaching and research areas were identified as strategically important profiles. An aggressive faculty recruitment drive comprised of advertising in premier architectural journals, an extensive amount of School mailings, and personal outreach efforts helped draw a large pool of diverse candidates. Selected advertisement journals included: *Higher Ed Jobs, Inside Higher Ed, Diverse Issues in Higher Education, Chronicle of Higher Education, ACSA News,* and *Women in Higher Education.* The Dean delivered a clear message to the Faculty Search Committee concerning the school’s unwavering commitment to diversity and the importance of acquiring outstanding candidates with diverse intellectual, gender and ethnic profiles.

2. **Fall 2011 Successful Tenure Track Hires** - The Dean succeeded in acquiring support from the President for five (5) new Full-Time Tenure-Track lines. In the fall of 2011, SoA appointed five (5) new Full-Time Faculty to the program. Two were diversity hires (one female and one African American male). All five were exceptional and represented a major asset to our program.

3. **Fall 2014-15 Successful Tenure Track Hires** - In 2013-14, School was allowed to hire three tenure-track faculty. Working with the Office of Human Resources, we hired three outstanding female faculty (Dr. Alexandra Rempel, Dr. Nancy Diniz, and Dr. Lydia Kallipoliti). This is in keeping with the Institute’s commitment to diversity and its strict adherence to affirmative action and diversity hiring. This brings the total number of tenured/tenure-track female faculty in the SoA to 5 of 19, or 26%. In addition, we note that currently 1 (5%) faculty member is Black/African American, and 3 (15%) are Hispanic.

4. **Faculty Diversity / Promotion 1** - Anna Dyson, who in 2008 was appointed Director of CASE, was promoted to Full Professor in the spring of 2011. This promotion was significant, given that Professor Dyson was the first female Full Professor in the School of Architecture.

5. **Faculty Diversity / Promotion 2** - Since the VTR, another of our female faculty, Mariana Figueiro, was promoted to Full Professor in July 2014. Now, of our 5 full professors (not counting our Dean), 2 (40%) are female.

6. **All-School Lecture Series** – Since Fall 2009, 27 or the 91 invited speakers in our all-school lectures series have been women, which means 30% of our speakers have been female. This sends another clear message to our students and faculty that we’re committed to diversity.

7. **Diversity Task Force** – In Fall 2015, the Dean established a diversity task force to develop an official policy on diversity, which will be distributed to our faculty, staff and students.
CONDITION 7.0 Human Resource Development (M.Arch 1)

VTR text: Students and faculty recognize the effectiveness of the intensive infrastructure needed to advise students at multiple points within the B.Arch. undergraduate program. In contrast, students within the small M.Arch complained of inadequate and inconsistent advising. The Team is concerned about the School’s ability to provide an effective advising program to students. This will become even more challenging as the graduate program increases in size and complexity. A clear and effectual advising system must be developed and implemented to meet the anticipated growth within the graduate program. Schools must have a clear policy outlining both individual and collective opportunities for faculty and student growth inside and outside the program.

The team finds this condition to be met with concern regarding mentorship and student advising for the M. Arch program. The School of Architecture provides abundant opportunities for student involvement in academic and professional experiences beyond curricular instruction nationally and abroad. Some of these events and programs include the Bedford Travelling Scholarship, the Center for Architecture Science and Ecology, foreign study travel to India, China, and Rome. The spring Lecture Series and regional fieldtrips broaden the understating of architecture. Many of these programs and events also contribute to faculty development and professional enrichment. Along with the Lighting Research Center and EMPAC these facilities and initiatives act as both intellectual and physical resources for cross-disciplinary research and creative activities.

Although a strong campus ethos of progressiveness and professional relevancy is shared by university and school administration as well as faculty, a lack of clarity about the internal mechanisms to facilitate the professional development of faculty persists. There is a need for additional articulation and campus-wide advocacy of the expectations for tenure-track faculty in the production of research, scholarship, and creative activities uniquely framed by standards within the field of architecture. However, the team notes that the concern for strengthening or implementing internal mentorship between more senior tenured faculty and junior tenure-track faculty towards tenure is exacerbated by the deficit of tenured faculty.

Both, students and faculty recognized the effectiveness of the intensive infrastructure to advise students at multiple points in their academic experience. It is noted however that this commendation in the area of advisement is limited to the B. Arch undergraduate program. Students in the M. Arch have a different advisement system which needs continual support especially in light of future plans to increase the number of students enrolled in the program.

RESPONSE: M.Arch 1 Academic Advising

The School of Architecture has made a concerted effort to provide a comprehensive, thorough and impactful student mentorship and advising program for all graduate students.

1. Increased Student Advisement – The School expanded the administrative leadership team overseeing graduate studies to include a Head of Graduate Studies and a M. Arch I Program Director who serves as an official academic adviser to each M.Arch student. The Institute’s Office of Graduate Education [OGE] requires the yearly filing of a formal Plan of Study document that mandates a meeting between the student and adviser. Students may also avail themselves of the Graduate Program Administrative Director, who is able to answer questions about degree requirements and School and Institute regulations. In doing this, the M. Arch program duplicates the
formal structure of the B.Arch program, which received the team's commendation. There is now a significant mentorship program in place for all of the graduate students.

RESPONSE: Facilitating Professional Development of Faculty

In response to the school’s commitment to empower the professional development of the FTT faculty, the Dean established a series of important committees that have had a transformative impact.

1. **Tenure-Track Mentoring Program** – In Fall 2010, the Dean established a mentoring program by which all tenure-track faculty are assigned two tenured senior faculty to oversee their progress in scholarly research, teaching and service. Junior faculty are to meet with their mentors at least once per semester. Mentors are expected to provide professional development advising in support of the junior faculty moving toward the promotion & tenure process. The Dean makes a concerted effort from one semester to the next, to share information regarding career development opportunities (i.e. peer-reviewed publications and conferences) with the junior faculty. The program has proven to be a resounding success, given that junior faculty now have strong mentorship support, and senior faculty are far more involved in the entire P&T process than ever before.

2. **Established Architecture Tenure Standards Task Force** - In 2012-13, the Dean created an Architecture Tenure Standards Task Force to develop an outline of standards relating to the diverse expectations for tenure-track faculty in the production of research, scholarship, and creative activities uniquely framed by standards within the field of architecture. The work of the task force was intended to clarify the diverse P&T candidate profiles in our School for the school’s P&T committee, the Dean’s Council, and Faculty Senate.

Program Response to Change in Conditions (if applicable)

The school’s response to changes in the conditions has been significant. A 2013-14 inclusive and thorough curriculum review and reform of the B. Arch and M. Arch programs in the context of NAAB’s Defining Perspectives and student performance criteria led to a number of related changes, including:

1. **Increased Faculty Expertise** - Adding two full-time faculty members in the area of environmental analysis and design, in response to Stewardship of the Environment.

2. **Expanded Core Courses** - Expansion of the core (required) environmental conditions and design courses from two to three, with the additional of a first-year course in Energy Comfort and Ecology for the B. Arch students, in response to Stewardship of the Environment.

3. **Strengthened M.Arch Program Distinction** - Creating a dedicated semester at CASE for the M. Arch students, in response to Stewardship of the Environment.

4. **Expanded Professional Practice Courses** - The expansion of the Professional Practice sequence from one course to three. Professional Practice 1 is re-dedicated to project management and is a coordinated co-requisite with Integrated Design Development Studio. Professional Practice 2 is dedicated to practice management. The Economics of Architecture will address the economics of the design and construction industries and has yet to be phased in. In response to NAAB SPCs associated with Realm C.

5. **Expanded Professional Practice Courses** - The expansion of the core studio sequence with the addition of Integrated Schematic Design Studio for the B. Arch students that serves as a primer and
prerequisite to the Integrated Design Development Studio. In response to *NAAB SPCs including B.1 Pre-design, and B.2 Site Design, and Realm C.*

6. **Strengthened Methods Course** - Specific attention to the methods course in the final year of the B. Arch and M. Arch studies, including focused attention on understanding the various theoretical and applied methods of research.
Section 3 – Compliance with the Conditions for Accreditation

I.2.1 Human Resources and Human Resource Development

Faculty Resumes and Matrices

- Faculty Resumes are available by accessing link [http://www.arch.rpi.edu/naab/10-Faculty-Resumes.pdf](http://www.arch.rpi.edu/naab/10-Faculty-Resumes.pdf).
- Faculty Matrices for 2013-14 and 2014-15 are available by accessing link [http://www.arch.rpi.edu/naab/11-FacultyMatrices.pdf](http://www.arch.rpi.edu/naab/11-FacultyMatrices.pdf).
- A Faculty Matrix for 2015-16 will be made available in February 2016.

1. Human resource development opportunities - At Rensselaer, professional development of faculty and staff is a priority, and for students, human resource development is our very business. The School’s policy is to “broadly educate men and women who will be able to exert constructive leadership in society and to contribute to human welfare. Both for the enrichment of Rensselaer and for the greatest contribution to society, Rensselaer seeks to nurture an environment for Faculty and students from a variety of geographical, intellectual, ethnic, economic, and cultural backgrounds.” ... “Rensselaer strives continuously to attract and nurture a Faculty of outstanding scholarship and educative ability and will work to provide those material facilities and opportunities needed for optimal achievement and intellectual growth.”

Rensselaer has been consistently ranked highly as an employer, in no small part due to its benefits policy which can be viewed at [http://hr.rpi.edu/update.do?artcenterkey=270](http://hr.rpi.edu/update.do?artcenterkey=270). Key components of that policy include generous tuition benefits, a parental leave policy, and sabbatical leaves for faculty.

The Institute and the School of Architecture provide opportunities for faculty to remain current in their knowledge of the changing demands of the discipline, practice and licensure through an explicit understanding that their active employment is nine-months per year, leaving three months for research and scholarly production including the possibility for creative activities and design production. During the academic months it is also expected that a portion of their time be dedicated to research and/or scholarship. In Architecture, one path to tenure is through critical practice that uses design as a form of research production that is disseminated and recognized as significant by one’s peers.

**How Faculty Remain Current in the Discipline** - Faculty remain current in their knowledge of the changing demands of the discipline, practice and licensure by a variety of means including but not limited to professional practice as licensed Architects, practice under licensed Architects, practice as designers and builders at a variety of scales, and through continuing education as required by the AIA and/or licensing jurisdiction. A substantial percentage of professional program faculty engage in design practice as part of their scholarly and research pursuit. In addition, faculty members remain current in their discipline by engaging in research and scholarship, and presenting at conferences and symposia.

Faculty with Architecture and/or Engineering Practices

**Full-Time**
- **Lonn Combs**, co-Founder/Principal, Easton + Combs, Architects, (Licensed Architect)
- **Gustavo Crembil**, Them
- **Demetrios Comodromos**, co-Founder/Principal, Method Design (Licensed Architect)
- **Josh Draper**, founder/partner, PrePost
- **Lydia Kallipoiti**, Principal, **EcoRedux research network + ANAcycle design+writing studio**, (Licensed Architect)
- **Will Laufs**, Founder/Principal, Laufs Engineering Design, (Licensed Engineer)
- **Mark Mistur**, AIA - Founder/Principal Mark Mistur, Architect (Licensed Architect)

Adjunct
- **Koray Duman**, Founder/Principal, Buro Koray Duman (Licensed Architect)
- **Yael Erel**, Design Practice (Licensed architect - Israel)
- **Melanie Fessell**, Director of Design, Terreform ONE (Licensed Architect)
- **Oliver Holmes**, Independent Consultant – Energy and Sustainability, (Licensed Engineer)
- **Carla Leitao**, Founder/Principal, Speculatis Aeterna (licensed in the EU)
- **Murat Mutlu**, Founder/Principal, International Office of Architects (Licensed Architect)
- **Richard Peckham**, AIA, V.P. / Executive Principal, CSArch Architecture (Licensed Architect)
- **Kyle Stover**, Founder/Principal, Kyle Rx Stover Architecture and Design (Licensed Architect)
- **Lauren Thomsen**, Architectural Designer, EYP, (Licensed Architect)
- **Farzam Yazdanseta**, Project Architect, Actual/Office LLC

Faculty with Design Practices

Full-Time
- **Evan Douglis**, Founder/Principal, Evan Douglis Studio LLC
- **Ted Krueger**, Technologist / Interdisciplinary Design
- **Michael Oatman**, Artist
- **Chris Perry**, co-Founder/Principal, pneumastudio
- **Anthony Titus**, Artist

Adjuncts, Lecturers, Professors of Practice
- **Francis Bitonti**, Founder/Principal, Francis Bitonti Studio
- **Adam Dayem**, founder, actual/office
- **Fleet Hower**, Fleet Hower, LLC
- **Serban Ionescu**, Serban Ionescu Studio
- **Ajmal Aqtash**, Form-ula
- **Erik Churchill**, Bldgworks
- **Brian Deluna**, Designer
- **Edwin Liu**, ISOFORM
- **Joachim Mitchell**, Founder, co-president, Terraform ONE
- **Murat Mutlu**, Founder/Principal, INOA/International Office of Architects
- **Stefano Passeri**, Designer
- **Kyle Stover**, Founder, Kyle Rx Stover Architecture and Design

Resources Available to Faculty and the Extent to which Faculty are Able to Use these Resources

**Sabbatical Leave Policy** - Rensselaer’s sabbatical leave policy encourages faculty to take advantage of this plan once in every ten years, “for the purposes of professional development through study, research, scholarly activity or service in government, industry, universities or consulting in the practice.” Tenured faculty with 6 semesters of service, and upon request of the faculty and approval and Provost, may be given leave of one semester with half salary. Tenured faculty with 12 semesters of service, and upon request of the faculty and approval of the Dean and Provost, may be given leave of two semesters with half salary or leave of one semester with full salary. Sabbaticals provide opportunities for practice as well as for fellowships, travel, visiting teaching positions, research and scholarship.

**Sabbatical Information** - The following faculty have taken Sabbatical leaves since 2007:
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| David Bell   | Fall 2010 semester   | 1. Wrote article for JAE.  
2. Worked on writing of three books: *Bernini & Borromini: Theater and Heresy; Jefferson’s University as American Dream; and Adolf Loos: The Irritation of Modernity*.  
3. Wrote an article for a conference attended in January 2011. |
| Ted Krueger  | Fall 2007 semester   | 1. Worked on doctorate.  
| Mark Mistur  | Spring 2014 semester | 1. Autodesk “Educator in Residence Fellowship” at IDEA Studio in San Francisco, CA.  
| Michael Oatman | 2015-16 Academic Year | 1. Work on new materials for his courses, including seminar with EMPAC Artist Laurie Anderson.  
2. New research in his art studio. Develop a website and archive of his work.  
3. Travel to Scotland to develop an art project and conduct research.  
4. Develop new work in his studio in Troy, NY. |

**Start-Up Funds** - Rensselaer’s policy of awarding new full time faculty hires start-up funds as a means to support the early career scholarship, research, and professional development of new faculty hires is particularly helpful. Funds may be used for research activities including but not limited to hiring assistants, purchasing equipment and travel to conferences and workshops. If faculty do not use all their start-up funds in their first two years, they may apply for an extension of time to use the funds. Currently, faculty in the School of Architecture who have start-up funds include; Alexandra Rempel, Nancy Diniz, and Lydia Kallipoliti. Since the last accreditation five (5) other new faculty hires received Start-up funding as well.

**Travel, Conference and Professional Meeting Attendance** - In addition to faculty sabbatical leaves and release time, the School, under certain circumstances, will provide funding towards conference fees and travel support to tenure-track faculty that no longer have any start-up funds available or tenured faculty unable to acquire support funds from research grants. (See list of supported travel below.)

**List of Conferences and Faculty Travel**

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<td>Invited, through peer-review process, to present at the 2015 Daylight Symposium in London in August 2015. Presentation is entitled, “Constructing in Natural Light: the Aesthetics of Well-Tempered Domestic Environments.”</td>
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<td>Gustavo Crembil</td>
<td>October 2014</td>
<td>Presented a paper at the 2014 ACSA Fall Conference at Dalhousie University in Halifax, Nova Scotia. Paper is “Working-Out: Thinking While Building.” Presented work at “Tactical Robotics: Latin American Media Art at the Intersection of the Pedagogy,” an international symposium held at the University of North Texas. Art/Research Residency at the Sachaga Art Center in Peru.</td>
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<td>August 2013</td>
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<td>Mariana Figueiro</td>
<td>March 2015</td>
<td>Keynote speaker at Light Symposium 2015 in Stockholm, Sweden. Traveled to Swedish Energy Agency and met with Nobel Laureate in Physics, Hiroshi Amano. Grand Rounds Presentation at the Mount Sinai Icahn School of Medicine, and at Mount Sinai St. Luke’s Roosevelt Hospital, discussing lighting characteristics affecting the visual and circadian systems of older adults, sleep and behavior problems, and light therapy solutions.</td>
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<td>Jean Paul Freyssinier</td>
<td>February 2012</td>
<td>Presented work at “Strategies in Light 2012,” in Santa Clara, CA. This is a LED lighting conference.</td>
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<td>Ted Krueger</td>
<td>March 2015</td>
<td>Presentations at several schools in Brazil. Presentations included: &quot;Redesigning Human,&quot; and “A Gene for the Anthropocene.&quot; 3-week workshop at University of Brazil that included team-based projects building technologically enhanced wearable sensory devices. Students were from Automotive, Aerospace, Biomedical, Software and Electrical Engineering programs. Presented a series of 6 lectures at several universities in Brazil.</td>
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<td>June 2014</td>
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<td>Carla Leitao</td>
<td>April 2015</td>
<td>Co-organized a “Designed Matter Symposium” held at SUNY Buffalo to explore developments in science and engineering, and how they can be used to re-imagine design of cities, buildings and consumer products.</td>
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<td>Nadarajah Narendran</td>
<td>February 2012</td>
<td>Presented work at &quot;Strategies in Light 2012,&quot; in Santa Clara, CA. This is a LED lighting conference.</td>
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<td>Chris Perry</td>
<td>March 2015</td>
<td>Co-organized and co-hosted a round-table event at Whitebox Art Center in New York, featuring PAJ editor Bonnie Marranca. Chaired a panel, “Disciplinary Centrism” at the ACSA annual conference in Toronto, Canada.</td>
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<td>Mark Rea</td>
<td>December 2014</td>
<td>Traveled to Swedish Energy Agency and met with Nobel Laureate in Physics, Hiroshi Amano.</td>
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<td>Ning Xiang</td>
<td>June 2013</td>
<td>Faculty and students contributed a series of papers to the International Congress on Acoustics, held in Montreal, Canada.</td>
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In 2012, the School of Architecture hosted the SmartGeometry Conference, an international, interdisciplinary event that ran from March 19th-24th, 2012, bringing some 500 attendees and presenters from around the world to the Rensselaer campus. Entitled, “Material Intensities: Simulation, Energy and the Environment,” the conference comprised of (10) research cluster groups, (4) “talkshop” events and (5) keynote lectures, engaged a high percentage of SoA faculty and students throughout the weeklong event. Two of the faculty in the School of Architecture, were selected in a competitive process to serve as cluster leaders: Prof. Dyson (Bioresponsive Building Envelopes) and Prof. Vollen (Form Follows Flow).

- Demetrios Comodromos and Jefferson Ellinger (Co-Coordinators)
- Evan Douglis, Dean, (Keynote Speaker)
- Anna Dyson, (Cluster Leader: Bioresponsive Building Envelopes)
- Prof. Robert Hull of the Materials Science Department in School of Engineering, (Keynote Speaker)
- Mark Mistur, Associate Dean, (Conference Site Director)
- Zbigniew Oksiuta, (Talkshop Speaker)
- Jason Vollen, (Cluster Leader: Form Follows Flow)

**Study Abroad Directorships** - Faculty members also are selected each year to serve as leaders of our Study Abroad programs. Our faculty members have opportunities to go to Italy, China, and India immerse themselves in the culture of the host country, and participate in joint educational opportunities with faculty at the foreign universities where they and the students spend an entire semester.

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<td>Zbigniew Oksiuta</td>
<td>Fall 2015</td>
<td>Rome</td>
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<td>David Bell</td>
<td>Spring 2015</td>
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<td>Elena Perez-Guembe</td>
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<td>Kyle Stover</td>
<td>Spring 2014</td>
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<td>Ted Krueger</td>
<td>Fall 2013</td>
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**Brown's Traveling Fellowship** - The School of Architecture offers an annual opportunity to be awarded a Brown’s Traveling Fellowship. Each year, (3) SoA faculty – (1) tenured (award: $12,000), (1) tenure-track (award: $12,000) and (1) contingent – (award: $7,500) are selected to receive a fellowship that provides them funding to study a topic of their choice in a foreign country. Upon their return, they are required to make a presentation to the faculty, staff and students so everyone may learn from their experiences. Attached is a list of recent Brown’s Fellowship faculty winners and the titles of their travel proposals.

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<td>N. Narendran</td>
<td>2015</td>
<td>Asia/South Asia / Understanding Lighting Practices in Rural Homes of South Asia and Asia</td>
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<td>Anthony Titus</td>
<td>2015</td>
<td>Japan / Projected Futures: Contemporary Japanese Museums and the Art of Display</td>
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<td>Yael Erel</td>
<td>2015</td>
<td>London, England / Constructing Reflections</td>
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<td>Ted Krueger</td>
<td>2014</td>
<td>Brazil / Sensory Substitution</td>
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<td>E. Perez-Guembe</td>
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<td>Netherlands / Real and Imaginary</td>
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<td>Lonn Combs</td>
<td>2014</td>
<td>Germany (has not traveled yet) / Between Form and Belief</td>
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<td>Ted Ngai</td>
<td>2013</td>
<td>Western United States / A Visual Guide to Speleomorphology: The Landscapes of Calcium Carbonate Formations</td>
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Guest Reviewers – In support of the School of Architecture’s commitment to increasing the intellectual diversity throughout the program, distinguished practitioners, engineers, theorists, historians, artists, industry experts, and researchers from related fields, are invited to share their unique perspective and experience with our students and faculty on a continuous basis as ‘guest reviewers’. School of Architecture Faculty also keep current in their fields by serving as reviewers at other architecture schools in the United States and internationally. A vital part of the educational program at Rensselaer’s School of Architecture is the review of student work by outside reviewers. The review process is conducted as a public event and open to the entire school. This is an exciting and important part of the curriculum for each of our studio courses, and it also provides our faculty with important opportunities to meet with colleagues from other schools and disciplines, as well as architects with practices in New York City, Montreal, Philadelphia and other major metropolitan areas.

Our faculty regularly serve on each other’s studio reviews, and as invited guest reviewers at other schools providing them many opportunities for intellectual exchange.

Faculty Serving on Juries as Critics at Other Schools

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<td>Gustavo Crembil</td>
<td>2014</td>
<td>Tectonics &amp; Construction Curriculum Committee, Lawrence Technological University (Michigan)</td>
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<td>2011</td>
<td>International Dual-Degree Graduate Program, College of Architecture and Urban Planning at Tongji University, Shanghai, China.</td>
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<td>One-week design charrette on urban design and development for Iquitos Municipality, Loreto, Peru.</td>
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<td>Also served as guest critic at Rhode Island School of Design, Washington University in St. Louis, Universidad Nacional de Cordoba in Argentina, Universidad Catolica de Cordoba in Argentina, Universidade de Sao Paulo in Brazil, City College of New York, Lawrence Technological University (Michigan) and Cranbrook Academy of Art.</td>
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<td>Anna Dyson</td>
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<td>Yale University, Columbia University, Syracuse</td>
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<td>Ted Krueger</td>
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<td>University, Parsons, University of Pennsylvania, Pratt Institute, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.</td>
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<td>Jury/Nominator Lisbon Architecture Trienale, Premio/Debut/Award.</td>
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<td>Roving Critic at Columbia University Graduate School.</td>
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<td>Mark Mistur</td>
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<td>Anthony Titus</td>
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<td>Art Center Environmental Studies in Pasadena, CA; Barnard College in NYC</td>
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**Tuition Benefits Policy** - For regular full-time employees and their spouses, Rensselaer will pay 75% of the cost of tuition for a maximum of 2 courses per semester up to a maximum of 6 courses in each fiscal year for courses taken at Rensselaer. Rensselaer also offers benefits (External Tuition Policy) for regular full-time employees who take courses at schools outside Rensselaer. Reimbursement is 75% of the cost of tuition, and coursework. All coursework must be job-related and approved in advance by the immediate supervisor and Department Head, Dean or Vice President, The Human Resources website ([http://rpi.edu/dept/hr/tuition_files/TuitionBenefitEmployeesSpouses.pdf](http://rpi.edu/dept/hr/tuition_files/TuitionBenefitEmployeesSpouses.pdf)) describes the details of the tuition policy.
In the School of Architecture, the Business Manager is currently completing a Master of Business Administration program through the State University at Albany. Staff also remain current by attending on-campus workshops and meetings on student advising, diversity, purchasing, and other work and learning-environment related matters.

**Parental Leave Policy** - A parental leave policy provides relief from teaching for one semester with full pay with the potential for a one-semester extension at half-pay (See Faculty handbook for details / http://www.rpi.edu/dept/provost/facultyhandbook1-06.pdf). In the case of tenure-track faculty, a parental leave results in an automatic extension of the tenure clock (unless the faculty member choses to forgo this option), in order to ensure that having a family and being a productive and successful member of the faculty with every opportunity to advance, are not in conflict.

**Professional Development that Contributes to Program Development** - Many individual professional development opportunities also contribute to program improvement. The development of the Bedford A/E seminar and studio can be credited in part to the development of an international network of architectural and engineering professionals through the Bedford Traveling workshops. Sabbaticals have resulted in fellowships that inform the development of new pedagogies relating to the integration of BIM. The Brown’s Fellow program has added richly to the learning culture of the school through faculty and student presentations and exhibitions. Experiences from conferences, workshops and travel regularly enrich the classroom and discourse of the school.

**Faculty Workloads** - At Rensselaer, faculty are responsible for teaching and do not rely on Ph.D. Teaching Assistants for more than assistance delivering the courses. In Architecture, especially the professional programs, even that is rare. There is a rich culture of exchange between students and faculty especially as it relates to studio culture and the many contact hours (typically 8-14 hrs. per week) dedicated to that setting. Architecture faculty are committed educators and apt to make even greater time commitments to promoting student achievement on field trips, workshops and semesters abroad, etc.

Tenure and tenure track faculty nominally have a four-course load per year although this may be adjusted, based upon release time granted by the Dean attributed to the allocation of significant research funding on the part of the faculty or for those assuming an administrative role on behalf of the school. For studio instructors it is typically one 5 or 6 credit studio and one 2-credit seminar per semester. Non-studio instructors in Architecture will typically teach two four credit courses per year.

Each year, workloads and teaching assignments of all faculty are developed in relation to administration loads, service loads and funded research obligations. Associate Deans have a two-course load reduction, program heads and center directors a one course reduction, and faculty with substantial research obligations (> $200k) a one-course reduction, but no faculty member is permitted to teach less than one course per year. The Dean reviews the loading annually and makes provisions for special circumstances relating to service and in some cases relating to the tenure clock, etc., to ensure that faculty have sufficient time to engage in productive research and scholarship.

**A list of past and projected faculty research (funded or otherwise), scholarship, creative activities by full-time instructional faculty since the previous visit.**

For a complete listing see List of Faculty Research and Activities (http://www.arch.rpi.edu/naab/15-Faculty-Scholarly-Activities.pdf).
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<td>April 2015</td>
<td>“Informal Practice(s),” California State University at Long Beach, College of Arts.</td>
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<td>October 2013</td>
<td>Presented a paper, “Mestizo Robotics” at the 2013 RE-NEW Festival and Conference in Copenhagen.</td>
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<td><strong>Evan Dougis, Dean</strong></td>
<td>April 2014</td>
<td>Keynote speaker at the Future Cities conference in London. University of Cincinnati, ACSA Administrators Conference Phila, PA.</td>
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<td><strong>Mariana Figueiro</strong></td>
<td>September 2014</td>
<td>Presented a lecture at Columbia University as part of a History in Architecture course.</td>
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<td><strong>Ralph Ghoche</strong></td>
<td>December 2012</td>
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<td><strong>Ted Krueger</strong></td>
<td>November 2012</td>
<td>Presented a lecture at the New Jersey School of Architecture, NJ Institute of Technology. Chaired the Laskey Charrette at Sam Fox School of Architecture at Washington University in St. Louis. Panelist at “The Future of Food: Redesigning the Food Supply” at Stone Barns Center for Food and Agriculture in Pacantico Hills, NY.</td>
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<td>April 2014</td>
<td>Invited speaker at University of Maryland symposium on future of architecture and relationship between Art &amp; Architecture.</td>
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<td><strong>Russ Leslie</strong></td>
<td>November 2012</td>
<td>Presented a paper at the annual Phyllis Lamber Conference at the University of Montreal.</td>
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<td><strong>Ivan Markov</strong></td>
<td>April 2015</td>
<td>Presented an invited lecture at Harvard University’s Graduate School of Design, and another at Princeton University’s Civil &amp; Environmental Engineering Dept.</td>
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<td><strong>Mark Mistur</strong></td>
<td>February 2013</td>
<td>Invited Lecture at the Rome Center: “Eco-logics: A New Paradigm for the Design of Urban Environments”</td>
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<td><strong>Nadarajah Narendran</strong></td>
<td>November 2012</td>
<td>Presented a paper at the Symposium on Simulation and Urban Design in Washington, D.C.</td>
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<td><strong>Chris Perry</strong></td>
<td>October 2013</td>
<td>Presented an invited lecture at Harvard University’s Graduate School of Design, and another at Princeton University’s Civil &amp; Environmental Engineering Dept.</td>
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<td><strong>Alexandra Rempel</strong></td>
<td>April 2015</td>
<td>Presented a paper at the annual Phyllis Lamber Conference at the University of Montreal.</td>
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<td><strong>Anthony Titus</strong></td>
<td>Fall 2014</td>
<td>“Marginal Tactics,” at University of Wisconsin Milwaukee. “Blank Field,” Bennington College, Bennington, VT. Invited speaker at University of Maryland symposium on future of architecture and relationship between Art &amp; Architecture.</td>
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### Faculty Exhibitions, Installations, Projects, etc.

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<td>October 2013</td>
<td>Opening of exhibition of his students’ work at the MiSCI museum in Schenectady, NY.</td>
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<td><strong>Evan Dougls, Dean</strong></td>
<td>September 2015</td>
<td>Shanghai Biennale (invitational)</td>
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<td><strong>Mark Mistur</strong></td>
<td>May 2015</td>
<td>Opening of Challenger Learning Center, Schenectady, NY – Mark Mistur, Architect - $1.6m</td>
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<td><strong>Michael Oatman</strong></td>
<td>September 2014</td>
<td>Exhibition, Nuit Blanche 2014 (the White Night), a 12-hour art festival showing the works of 40 international artists who were invited to exhibit. Oatman’s project, The 8th Wonder, is a 25-foot inflatable sculpture supported by scaffolding, which serves as the site of a music endurance work by cellist Paul deJong and Prof. Oatman, who plays drums and percussion. Several students assisted with the project.</td>
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<td>Aug-Dec 2013</td>
<td>Exhibit entitled, “An Armory Show,” with Prof. Kenneth Ragsdale (RPI Arts Dept.) at the Opalka Gallery at Safe Colleges in Albany. Project pays homage to “The Armory Show” of 1913, which was held at the 69th Regiment Armory in NYC and presented by the Association of American Painters and Sculptors.</td>
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<td>March 2013</td>
<td>Supervised a student production entitled, The Machine Starts, an interactive performance piece based on E.M. Forster’s 1909 science fiction novella, The Machine Stops. This was part of the School’s PIP program (Production-Installation-Performance).</td>
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<td>Feb-Sept 2013</td>
<td>Exhibit, “Some Assembly Required,” at Albany International Airport in Albany, NY.</td>
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<td>April 2013</td>
<td>“Michael Oatman: Another Fine Mess,” opened at the Thompson Gallery at the Cambridge School in Weston, MA, as part of the gallery’s “Collage at 100” series.</td>
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<td>October 2012</td>
<td>His monumental collage, “The Branch,” or “The Site of our Complete Liberation,” was featured in the inaugural exhibition of the Ruth and Elmer Wellin Muerum at Hamilton College in Clinton, NY.</td>
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<td><strong>Anthony Titus</strong></td>
<td>2015</td>
<td>Group exhibition, Measure, at Storefront for Art and Architecture in NYC.</td>
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<td>February 2015</td>
<td>Exhibit of 20 new paintings at Friedman Benda gallery in NYC.</td>
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<td>Exhibition entitled, “Oblique Strategies,” at the Peter...</td>
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<td>Jonas Braasch</td>
<td>September 2014</td>
<td>Working with Prof. John Wen (RPI) on a project to transform less expensive, human-friendly industrial robots into affordable assistive robots capable of assisting quadriplegics and other disabled persons with daily living and health tasks.</td>
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<td>CASE</td>
<td>Current</td>
<td>Faculty and students are working with colleagues in Ghana to develop building materials from coconut husks (the parts that are discarded after the coconut is harvested). In Ghana currently, most building materials are imported, and the disposal of the coconut husks is creating pollution problems, since the husks are often burned or dumped in rivers. With a grant from NEXUS (New Energy Accelerator for Upstate New York), CASE is working to accelerate commercialization of coconut for integrated building applications and transform building practices.</td>
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<td>Gustavo Crembil</td>
<td>August 2013</td>
<td>Developed a robotic prototype with video documentation ad a book draft, through a project supported by a Production Incentive grant from VIDA 14.0 Art &amp; Artificial Life, the Telefonica Foundation in Spain.</td>
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<td>Lighting Research Center</td>
<td>December 2012</td>
<td>Developed a concept for roadway illumination to provide lighting for crosswalks in traffic circles. Research sponsored by NYS Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) and NYS Dept. of Transportation. Study on Sleep Deprivation for the naval Medical Logistics Command.</td>
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<td>Working with researchers at Duke University, studying sleep and insomnia patterns in lemurs with expectation that it will help researchers understand sleep disturbances in people with dementia/Alzheimer’s and</td>
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## Research Projects

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<td>March 2014</td>
<td>NIH sponsored study entitled, <em>Individually Tailored Lighting Systems to Improve Sleep in Older Adults.</em></td>
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<td>February 2015</td>
<td>Federal Aviation Administration research study entitled “Airport Lighting and Visual Guidance: Technology and Human Factors Research.”</td>
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## Awards and Honors

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<td>Alexandra Rempel</td>
<td>November 2014</td>
<td>She and Prof. Anna Dyson and other RPI partners received a “Knowledge and Innovation Program” seed grant from the RPI Office of Research.</td>
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## List of Faculty Awards, Honors, Etc.

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<td>Lonn Combs</td>
<td>June 2015</td>
<td>His firm, Easton+Combs is among five finalists for Florida International University’s <em>Emerging Architects Initiative Installation</em> at the FIU Modesto A. Maidique Campus in Miami. The installation is to be housed by French-Swiss architect, Bernard Tschumi.</td>
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<td></td>
<td>March 2015</td>
<td>Received the Distinguished Alumni Award for Professional Achievement, from the University of Kentucky College of Design, given to recognize alumni who have made significant contributions to society and whose career and accomplishment have brought distinction to their profession, local community and the College of Design.</td>
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<td></td>
<td>December 2012</td>
<td>His practice, Easton+Combs, was recognized for innovative work in Architectural Record’s 2012 Design Vanguard series. The firm was one of 10 selected by a jury process resulting from an open call of design firms worldwide.</td>
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<td>Demetrios Comodromos</td>
<td>May 2014</td>
<td>Received a national Architeizer A+ Award for</td>
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<td>Nancy Diniz</td>
<td>June 2015</td>
<td>Won a prize in a competition for Milan EXPO 2015, which has a theme of “Feeding the Planet – Energy for Life.”</td>
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<td>Evan Dougis, Dean</td>
<td>February 2015</td>
<td>Received the John Q. Hejduk Award from the Irwin S. Chanin School of Architecture at The Cooper Union. Award is given annually to a graduate who has made an outstanding contribution to the theory, teaching and/or practice of Architecture. Named one of America’s Most Admired Educators by Design Intelligence.</td>
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<td>Koray Duman</td>
<td>May 2015</td>
<td>His firm, Buro Koray Duman Architects in NYC, received a Bronze Award of Merit from SARA NY (Society of American Registered Architects, New York Council) for his project entitled, “Design Within Reach – 57th Street.” Named one of America’s Most Admired Educators by Design Intelligence.</td>
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<td>Anna Dyson</td>
<td>September 2012</td>
<td>Received the 2012 ACADIA Award for Innovative Academic Program.</td>
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<td>Mariana Figueiro</td>
<td>February 2015</td>
<td>Invited to serve on editorial board of newly formed journal, Sleep Health: Journal of the National Sleep Foundation. Additionally, her paper was selected for publication in the inaugural issue, released March 2015.</td>
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<td>Lighting Research Center</td>
<td>June 2015</td>
<td>Bloomberg Philanthropies announced the 4 cities selected to receive up to $1 million each as part of the Public Art Challenge. The Lighting Research Center’s submission (for Albany-Troy-Schenectady) was selected. The LRC plan is to illuminate up to 300 vacant homes over the next several months in order to regenerate interest in once-vibrant neighborhoods that currently have high-vacancy rates.</td>
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<td>Mark Mistur</td>
<td>December 2014</td>
<td>Trustee’s Outstanding Teaching Award, is the highest teaching award of the Institute recognizing outstanding accomplishments in classroom instruction.</td>
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<td>Zbigniew Oksiuta</td>
<td>February 2012</td>
<td>Awarded the Ars Bioarctica Residence at the University of Helsinki the Finland.</td>
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<td>Chris Perry</td>
<td>June 2015</td>
<td>Elected to the Board of Directors for the Association for Computer Aided Design in Architecture (ACADIA).</td>
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|                       | February 2015| His design practice, pneumastudio, is featured in a
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<td>new book, Global Design, edited by Pedar Anker, Louise Harpman and Mitchell Joachim. His design practice, pneumastudio, has been commissioned to design an experimental pavilion for the OMI Internaitonal Arts Center in Ghent, NY. The design studio also has been commissioned to submit a schematic design proposal for the 7th Street Park in Hudson NY, in support of the city's application for a state grant to redesign the park.</td>
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<td>May 2014</td>
<td>His students were awarded 2nd Prize in the WT SmartCity Award in Milan, Italy, International urban and Architecture Competition.</td>
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<td>2013</td>
<td>Recipient of the MacDowell Colony Fellowship for a 3-week residency.</td>
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<td>Ning Xiang</td>
<td>October 2014 Received the 2014 Wallace Clement Sabine Award of the Acoustical Society of America. The award is presented to an individual who has furthered the knowledge of architectural acoustics, as evidence by contributions to professional journals and periodicals or by other accomplishments to the field of architectural acoustics.</td>
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**Student Support Services**

1. **School-based and Institute Advising** - Both the Institute and the School of Architecture offer a wide range of advising and career planning services, creating many opportunities for students to engage with faculty and professional staff to assist in developing and achieving their goals. In the School, every student is assigned to a faculty academic advisor who provides academic, personal and career guidance as the student progresses in their program. M.Arch students are assigned to the M.Arch 1 Director who personally oversees their development.

On the first day of classes in the first year of the B.Arch program, the school holds a “Meet Your Advisor” session. Subsequently, students are required to meet with their advisors at least one time per year, and must do so to be cleared for registration. Faculty advisors assist with a number of issues relating to course registration, developing plans of study that include the integration of a semester abroad and/ or at CASE, minors and/or the pursuit of a co-terminal degree. Students may also receive notifications of concern originating from their instructors through an Electronic Warning System (EWS) that generates emails to advisors, CLASS Deans (Clustered Learning, Advocacy and Support for Students) in student life and to ALAC (Advising & Learning Assistance Center). Notifications may be the result of poor test performance, low performance on assignments, poor attendance or more specific personal concerns that trigger the advisor to reach out to the student. Should ALAC and/or CLASS see a pattern for a particular student intervention may be initiated.
2. Mandatory Faculty Training Sessions - In 2014, in response to student exit survey indications that students wanted more from faculty advisors, the School held two mandatory training sessions for all faculty who serve as advisors, providing them with updated information about curricula, research and internship information, co-terminal degrees and other relevant information. In 2011 and 2014, the School of Architecture initiated two mandatory preemptive information and training sessions with senior professional staff from the Institute health center regarding early warning signs with respect to stress, depression, and potentially harmful behaviors and how faculty and advisors should respond. The school also has a full time Student Services Administrator who is available to assist students with registration, minors, and degree clearance, etc.

3. Architect Licensing Advisor (ALA) - The school's Architect Licensing Advisor (ALA), Prof. Mark Mistur, holds a mandatory meeting with first year professional program students annually to introduce himself as their ALA, present and discuss what it means to be an Architect and the path to licensure, including the establishment of an NCARB Record, the Intern Development Program (IDP), the Architecture Registration Exam (ARE) and the various jurisdictions. He gives optional talks to upper level students who are, or are soon to be engaged in internships. He is available to students for questions and advising on matters relating to the profession at all times. Faculty members provide assistance in finding internships, making recommendations and in some cases hiring students as interns during the semester break periods. The school also maintains a list of internships, scholarships and posted positions on our web site.

4. Career Development Initiatives - The School sponsors a Career Fair every spring. All students are encouraged to attend, since many of the companies in attendance seek summer interns as well as new graduates. Starting in Fall 2012, the Dean launched a “Blast-Off: career development chats” program that occurs once per semester, bringing students and two faculty together for an informal suppertime chat about career paths, options for graduate school and professional employment, working internationally, etc. In the last two years, the AIAS and NOMAS student groups have run a “Position Series” of Saturday workshops in which they invite professionals to talk with students about jobs, starting a practice, creating a portfolio, etc. Our AIAS students also run a student mentorship program, assigning each new first year student with an upperclass mentor for the year. Resume development, interviewing and cover letter writing strategies are addressed through portfolio review days, resume and portfolio workshops and presentations by faculty and local professionals.

5. CLASS - The Institute initiated the CLASS (Clustered Learning, Advocacy and Support for Students) several years ago, adopting a system to reorient the student experience focusing on six developmental themes delivered through clustering students by cohort and residential community. The themes are: personal development, leadership development, cultural development, community, and communiversity. Each class year has a CLASS Dean who together with professional staff from student life is responsible for and gets to know that cohort. CLASS is particularly effective for the important first two years when on campus residency is required. Details are available at (see http://admissions.rpi.edu/undergraduate/life/class.html)

6. Additional Institutional Support - The Institute offers students a comprehensive array of services through the Dean of Students office, the Advising & Learning Assistance Center (ALAC), the First-Year Intervention Program, the Counseling Center (see http://studenthealth.rpi.edu/counseling.php) within the Health Center, and the Center for Career and Professional Development. (see https://www.rpi.edu/dept/cdc/)

The Advising & Learning Assistance Center (ALAC) ( see http://alac.rpi.edu/) offers advising, intervention, study skills, tutoring, and other services, plus language and culture programs for international students. The Learning Assistant Program engages selected student assistants who live in first-year residence halls and are liaisons to the ALAC. The Teaching and Learning Assistance Program trains selected
graduate students to tutor, advise and mentor undergraduates. The First-Year Intervention Program (FIP) is a mandatory mentoring program for 1st-year students whose GPA drops below 1.5 in the Fall semester.

7. Student Handbook - The Dean of Students Office provides a comprehensive “Rensselaer Handbook of Student Rights & Responsibilities,” (see http://www.rpi.edu/dept/doso/resources/judicial/docs/2014-2016RPIHandbookofStudentRightsandResponsibilitiesAUGUST2014.pdf), which is made available to students when they enter Rensselaer. The Handbook covers student-teacher relationship, confidentiality of student records, student rights in the classroom, grounds of disciplinary action, academic integrity, leave-of-absence policy, use of buildings and facilities, maintenance of public order, sexual misconduct and harassment and other matters of importance.

8. SoA and OGE Support Services - Graduate students receive support services through the School of Architecture administrative offices and also through the Institute’s Office of Graduate Education (OGE) (see http://gradoffice.rpi.edu/setup.do), which offers administrative, academic, and curriculum guidance. OGE provides confidential academic and personal counseling, problem resolution services, academic orientation, training for teaching assistants, international student services, professional development and other services.

Architect Licensing Advisor
The school’s Architect Licensing Advisor (ALA) is Mark Mistur, AIA. In support of this activity and staying current with NCARB’s ever-changing rules, he attends the annual Licensing Advisor Summit (ALAS – formerly the IDP conference). He is also a member of the AIA Continuing Education Committee at the national level and a licensed Architect in the State of New York. He makes presentations to and regularly communicates with students in the professional programs about the fundamentals of IDP as well as changes in the program and internships, and he mentors students with respect to internships.

I.2.2 Physical Resources

1. Facilities Overview - The Greene Building, home of the School of Architecture, contains all the design studio spaces, seminar and lecture rooms, Dean’s conference room, faculty and administrative offices, public pin-up spaces including the main Greene Gallery, computer lab, fabrication lab, Ph.D. spaces and research labs (providing spaces for the architectural acoustics department as well as CASE), Publications production and archive offices, a gallery and black-box room for showing and reviewing students’ work, seminars and lectures and the school’s very own architecture branch library.

The Dean’s Conference Room was recently upgraded and is used occasionally for classes requiring advanced technology. A recently purchased mobile “touch screen smart board” is used throughout the building, as needed, to connect students in the Greene Building with students, professionals, and others at remote locations. Named after Benjamin Franklin Greene, the Institute’s second director and 19th century advocate for Rensselaer to create North America’s first Architecture program, the building was constructed in 1930 for the purpose of housing an architecture department (later school).

Architecture has since expanded to and beyond the confines of Greene’s 43,400 sf. (net assignable space) to include the scheduled use of classroom spaces on the core campus, a facility housing the Lighting Research Center in downtown Troy, an education and research center facility [CASE] embedded in the offices of SOM in New York City, and studio and classroom spaces periodically used in Italy, India and China. (see below)

2. Faculty Space Allocation - The program provides studios, classrooms and seminar spaces for the role of teaching. To fulfill their role in scholarship, service and advising, full-time faculty are provided an office within the Greene building. Assistant, Associate and Full Professors are assigned a private office. Lectures and Professors of Practice share an office, as do part time faculty who do not have scholarship,
service or advising expectations.

3. Additional Space Requirements - With the expansion of student enrollment in the professional programs, the creation of the new post-professional Geofutures program, the allocation of space for CASE’s upstate research, the school will need to acquire additional space cross-campus beyond the Greene building to facilitate this added student population.

The School’s short-term solution has been to keep core facilities of administration, faculty offices, exhibition space, project review space, seminar rooms, studios and workshop(s) together. To do so, several Greene classrooms have been converted to studio space, with an increasing and effective reliance on scheduling Institute multimedia and laptop classrooms and lecture halls (out of Greene) scheduled according to the course delivery format.

3. Off-Campus Facilities - The LRC is located on the 3rd and 4th floors of the historic Gurley building in downtown Troy, just a short walk from campus. In addition to housing the lighting education and research programs and its offices, classrooms and labs, it is also location to the telepresence and Virtual Acoustics Environmental Lab. Our most recent expansion is to the 24th floor of 14 Wall Street in NYC, at the location of Skidmore Owings Merrill (SOM) where 1,460 sf. of space are dedicated to the Built Ecologies education and research program and CASE for as many as 22 students, including 12 B. Arch or M. Arch students, per semester.

4. Study Abroad Program Facilities – The school has arrangements to use studio and classroom space and infrastructure at each of its international programs: in the University of Arkansas Rome Center each Fall semester; in India at the Center for Environmental Planning and Design (CEPT) in Ahmadabad (alternate Spring semesters); and at Tongji University in Shanghai, where the university provides a studio, classroom space and infrastructure (on a bi-yearly schedule in the spring).

5. Facility Overview - In 1998-9 the Greene Building was made accessible with the addition of an accessible connection to grade and an elevator linking the principal floors. A small mezzanine and split-level basement area beneath it cannot practically be made accessible and are used for faculty offices. These comprise a minority of the overall office inventory in Greene, the majority of which are accessible. Faculty assigned to those offices can meet with students in other locations and should accessibility be an issue for a faculty member, office assignments can be managed.

Greene Building Index of Floor Plans [http://www.arch.rpi.edu/naab/22-FloorPlansForGreeneBuilding.pdf].
Greene Building Facilities

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<td>Lecture Rooms 1,2</td>
<td>2,961 sf.</td>
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<td>Studios 3</td>
<td>15,050 sf.</td>
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<td>Faculty Offices 4</td>
<td>3,367 sf. (74 to 484 sf. each)</td>
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<td>Staff Offices</td>
<td>1,715 sf.</td>
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<td>Project review/exhibition spaces</td>
<td>3,737 sf.</td>
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<td>Architecture Library</td>
<td>4,166 sf.</td>
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<td>Computer Facility</td>
<td>1,318 sf.</td>
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<td>Workshop</td>
<td>4,166 sf.</td>
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<td>Research Areas</td>
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**Seminar room(s) (GR204)** - Seminar rooms include large tables and chairs and are used for small classes based on discussion and presentation format. There is currently one schedulable room (GR204) that is furnished to serve this purpose for as many as 18 students. Projection setup and teardown is required. To supplement the small inventory of spaces vs. seminar space needs the Dean’s Conference Room GR117 may be scheduled for individual meetings but cannot block regular time slots. Likewise, pin-up spaces (GR101) and the Gallery (GR201) and exhibition space GR201 can be signed out but not scheduled and do not have tables or projection.

**Lecture Rooms (GR207,GR120)** - Lecture Rooms include the Gallery that is used for studio presentations, large meetings and presentations. Though its acoustics can be challenging, particularly for simultaneous reviews and large meetings a linear focused sound system assists for podium presentations. Greene 120 is a registrar classroom scheduled by the registrar however Architecture is typically able to block it for substantial periods. Though its tablet armchairs are restrictive, dual project screens make it the best venue for presentations to groups between (20) and (50).

**Studios (GR402, GR403, GR305, GR301, GR206, GR208, GR118/119, GR12, GR02)** - In addition to the relatively expansive 4th floor studios, we have a north lighted third floor studio (GR305) that is typically home to the IDD studio, a relatively large studio on the second floor and a number of smaller studio rooms that were previously classrooms (GR206, GR208, GR012, GR002). GR301, which was previously a student run café/lounge has also been converted into a small studio space.

**Project Review Spaces (GR101, GR207, GR401)** - The School shares three dedicated review spaces including the 2050sf Gallery space for large reviews, GR401 (when it does not have to be dedicated as studio space - varies semester by semester) and GR101, a small pin up room. The exhibition space (GR201) also doubles as a pin up space when not in use for exhibitions.

**Exhibition Space (GR201)** - A 510sf exhibition space, “The Fishbowl" that can double as a small review space, was recently created.

**The Architecture Library (GR306-309)** - The Architecture library is a 4,150 sf. space including book stacks containing the Institute’s Art and Architecture collection, periodicals relating to art and

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1 The Gallery is used both as a lecture space and as a Project Review / Exhibition Space.
2 Additional Institute lecture rooms and multimedia-equipped laptop classrooms are scheduled for Architecture each semester.
3 Fall semesters include a studio in Rome, spring semesters include a studio space in either China or India.
4 An office space is assigned to each full-time faculty member.
architecture, study tables and a large library table meeting area. It is home to a visual resources slide library, large format (11x17) scanning, printing and copying equipment available to students and casual seating areas.

**The Digital Futures Lab (GR210)** - The Digital Futures Lab is a 1,300 sf. classroom lab with 36 high-end desktop computers, each with dual monitors, and four built in HD projectors. The room can be split visually by dropping the center screens. This allows it to operate as a single large space or simultaneously as a classroom on one side and workspace on the other.

**The Fabrication Lab (GR014, GR016, GR017, GR019, GR021, GR022)** - The Fabrications Lab is 4,150 sf. including a 380-square-foot ceramics laboratory; a 440-square-foot laser / 3D printing suite with two laser cutters and a 3D printer; and a 430-square-foot milling suite with a 4’x8’ bed, 3-axis CNC milling machine. A general shop / machine room is equipped with traditional hand and power tools and an 840-square-foot class / benchroom space that accommodates shop-based classes and project assembly work. This room also contains a structural testing machine with a capacity of 100Kn. 2014 saw the addition of a spray booth at the East end of the building. It is fully automated and exhausts through a carbon filter. Access to the shop is dependent upon passing a Learning Management System Safety course. The LMS also offers courses on 3D printing, spray painting and 3-axis milling templates.

**Faculty Offices** - Faculty offices are distributed throughout the building in the basement, mezzanine, first, second and third floors. Tenure Track and tenured faculty have a private office for teaching preparation, scholarship and advising. Lecturers and Professors of Practice share a large office (GR304) and Part-time adjuncts share an office (GR102)

**Research Spaces (GR001, GR003, GR010, GR0111)** - Research Spaces are in the Basement and dedicated to the Architectural Acoustics Program and to CASE. CASE also shares research specific spaces in other departments and buildings on campus and at the primary CASE location at 14 Wall Street in NYC.

**Dean's Office / School Administration Suite (GR115-117)** - Located on the first floor this 1,700sf space is home to the Deans office and conference room, Executive Assistant, Business Manager, Business Administrator and Business Coordinator.

**Student Services / Graduate Suite (GR103-106)** - This 725sf suite includes offices for the undergraduate Student Services Administrator, Graduate Program Administrator and Graduate Program Director, as well as a lounge shared by faculty and students.

**Publications Office (GR401A)** - In recent years the school created a publication office that is assigned to a renovated air-conditioned fourth floor space near archiving. (replaced the prior archiving space)

**Archiving (GR403A)** - In recent years the school carved this 500sf space from the studio on the fourth floor for archiving

**Spray Booth Room (GR007)** - A new 125sf spray booth room has been created on the basement level for students’ use.

**Off-Campus Facilities**

1. The Center for Architecture Science and Ecology, 14 Wall Street, New York, NY - The Center for Architecture Science and Ecology (CASE) is co-located within multiple labs and offices on the main campus, and is co-located within a facility in New York City at 14 Wall Street on the
24th floor. The NYC facility is accessed off the main lobby of Skidmore Owings and Merrill (SOM) and includes an independent area including a secure office, a lab space, and a studio for exclusive use of the Center. The faculty share an office and conference space and also have a workspace at the School of Architecture at the main campus in Troy, in addition to several dedicated lab spaces in the schools of Engineering and Science on the main campus. The CASE Director has an office space on the main campus within the context of the Center for Materials, Devices and Integrated Systems.

The lab space in NYC is used for the development of prototypes. The studio is set up with individual workspaces with workstations for graduate students, staff and visiting faculty and is equipped with projection for teaching and presentations. Students and research staff have access to SOM’s printing infrastructure and use of their model shop facility as well as the SOM conference rooms which are equipped with projection and are available for meetings and classes on a sign-up basis. The studio space typically integrates (10-12) Masters and Ph.D. students with 10-12 professional program students each semester. Each student receives a desk, chair and desktop computer with dual monitors.

2. The Lighting Research Center (LRC) - The Lighting Research Center has 30,000 sf. of research labs, offices and educational space located on the second and third floors of the Gurley Building in downtown Troy. B. Arch students may participate in elective courses associated with a lighting minor, but not as part of courses where NAAB student performance criteria are being met.
3. The Rome Center, Rome Italy - While this semester is key to developing global perspective and some of the program outcomes of the school it is not required or associated with any of the NAAB student performance criteria. The Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Italian Studies program is hosted by the University of Arkansas Rome Center (UARC), located in the Palazzo Taverna (Via di Monte Giordano 36 00186), one of the oldest palaces in the center of Rome. The building today houses many different activities, from private residences, to banquet halls, diplomatic residences and artist studios. The UARC is housed in the Empire and Gabrielli wings of the Palazzo where the historic headquarters of the INARCH (Istituto Nazionale di Architettura) was located for about thirty years.

The spacious studios used by several programs including our own, are housed within the 16th century wing of the palazzo compound and include design and humanities studios, classrooms, AV rooms, a library, faculty and staff offices as well as computer labs. It is also where the main offices are located. The computer labs operate on a Windows network with PCs and a wireless network. An internet connection through an HDSL/wi-fi line offers access to the web. The lab is equipped with laser printers, 2 plotters and scanners (A3 and A4 and one wide format) and a laser cutter.

- The Upper Studio (Empire Wing) located on the first floor is comprised of the main offices (including the Student Services Coordinator), the Library, the “Yellow Room”, 2 classrooms (“Fresco 1” and “Fresco 2”) and the beautiful Main Hall for lectures and reviews. This part of the UARC is dedicated to courses, projections and conferences.
- The Gabrielli 1 studio, on the ground floor of Palazzo Taverna, is used mostly for practical activities. It is set to allow students to work on their projects and includes printers, plotters, and cutting areas. The studio comprehends many meeting rooms, three large studios, toilets and a relaxing area.
- The Gabrielli 2 studio, is also located on the ground floor of Palazzo Taverna; it has two large studios for up to 30 students, one computer lab and the printer/plotter and laser cutting suite.

![Fresco 1 classroom](image1)

![Yellow Room studio](image2)
Empire Wing - Level One
4. China and India Study Abroad Programs - While this semester abroad is key to developing global perspective and some of the program outcomes of the school, it is not required or associated with any of the NAAB student performance criteria. Both of these semester-long International programs are associated with well renowned highly ranked schools of Architecture in University abroad and provide as part of their agreement with Rensselaer, studio and classroom spaces and infrastructure that are equivalent to and shared with their own students. The assigned spaces change annually but include studio furnishings and access to infrastructure. At the Center for Environmental Planning and Technology (CEPT) in Ahmedabad RPI is provided with studio space and access to various facilities at CEPT. These include the library, fabrication shop facilities, printing and copying facilities, and virtually every other amenity and privilege offered to CEPT’s matriculating students. Our students also have access to CEPT’s Wi-Fi system at no cost. CEPT is open to all students 24/7.
At Tongji University in Shanghai, our hosts provide mid-size classroom/studios that are accessible 9-5 pm with wireless LAN and access to fabrication labs as well as access to review space.

2. Rensselaer’s Hardware and Software Infrastructure - Rensselaer is a leader in the use of computing to support education and research. The Division of the Chief Information Officer [DotCIO] provides information services, technology, and support for this effort. DotCIO is committed to providing quality information solutions, bringing world-class services and support to the Rensselaer campus. The many accomplishments of the DotCIO staff include one of the nation’s first laptop programs (requiring all
entering freshmen to have a laptop computer for use both in and out of the classroom), support of interactive learning (including Learning Management Systems [LMS] courses), state-of-the-art electronic information access, search and retrieval services by the Libraries, and on-line student and administrative services. At Rensselaer an integrated information environment is integral to teaching, learning, and research. Rensselaer employs a first-rate information culture and a robust information infrastructure. We must sustain this advantage, valuing information literacy at every level and implementing new methods for scholarly communication and electronic interactions.

3. Services of DotCIO include:

- A/V Media Services
- Accounts
- Administrative Applications
- Cable TV
- Campus Computer Store
- Data Warehouse
- Email (including Webmail)
- Help Desks, Consulting
- Libraries, Research
- Machining / Manufacturing Services
- Mobile Computing (laptop program)
- Networking
- Printing
- Repair & Maintenance Services
- RPILMS (WebCT)
- Student Information System
- Telephones / Telecommunications
- Web Publishing

4. Rensselaer’s Mobile Computing Program - For over 15 years, Rensselaer’s Mobile Computing Program has offered students a laptop package that includes a powerful laptop computer, software applications and accessories at a competitive price. The laptop computer maximizes CPU power and discrete graphics capabilities in portable form factor. Students are not required to participate in the program, but historically, over 65% of students do.

The Fall 2015 laptop package is built around a 15.6” Lenovo ThinkPad W541. The main hardware features of the ThinkPad W541 are:

- Intel Core i7-4710MQ processor, 6MB cache
- 16 GB PC3-12800 RAM (8GB + 8GB)
- 15.6” FHD 1920 x 1080 LED backlit display
- 256GB solid-state ATA3 OPAL 2.0 hard drive
- NVIDIA Quadro K2100M graphics (2GB)
  (Switchable to Intel Graphics media Accelerator 4500 MHD)
- Ports include two USB 3.0, two USB 2.0, one VGA, one 4-in-1 multiread card slot
- 36-month manufacturer's warranty and ThinkPad Protection

The software packages that are preinstalled on the ThinkPad W541 include:

- Microsoft Windows 8.1 Enterprise (64-bit)
- Microsoft Office Professional 2013 (32-bit; 64-bit available for user installation)
- Microsoft System Center Endpoint Protection
- Maplesoft Maple symbolic algebra program (64-bit)
- MathWorks MATLAB (64-bit)
Siemens NX CAD package (64-bit)
National Instruments LabVIEW (local installer)

In addition to the standard Rensselaer software suite, architecture students have:

- Adobe Creative Cloud [2D Image and Graphic Design]
  Students subscribe and load it directly on their personal laptop
- Rhino 5.0 – Modeling – 13 30-seat Educational Lab Kits, for a total of 390 seats
  240 seats are in our floating license server
  60 seats (two Lab Kits) are used for fixed-license installations in Rome and NYC
- Grasshopper [generative modeling plug-in for Rhino] – unlimited licenses
- V-Ray [photorealistic rendering plug-in for Rhino] – 30 floating licenses
  Distributed through a license server, and can be used from off-campus via VPN
- Autocad Architecture 2016 [3D building design]
  Educational license are available to students using their RPI student credentials
- Autodesk Education Master Suite [125 Floating Licenses] includes:
  - Revit
  - Robot
  - Simulation CFD Design Study Environment
  - Sketchbook Designer
- Autodesk Education Master Suite [125 Floating Licenses] – includes:
  - Maya
  - 3ds Max
  - Softimage
- DOE 2.1E [building energy simulator] – unlimited licenses
- Ecotect 5.5.0 [environmental analysis tool] – 10 floating licenses
  Distributed through a license server, and can be used from off-campus via VPN
- WeatherTool 2.0 [weather data tool] – 10 floating licenses
  Distributed through a license server, and can be used from off-campus via VPN
- RISA-3D 9.0 [Structural Analysis Tool] – 30 floating licenses
  Distributed through a license server, and can be used from off-campus via VPN
- SolidWorks 2015 – unlimited floating licenses. Administered by the campus.
  Distributed through a license server and can be used from off-campus via VPN
- LightTools 8.3.0 [Light Analysis and Design Tool] – 10 floating licenses
  Distributed through a license server, and can only be used on-campus
- Cisco VPN Client [remote connectivity] – unlimited client licenses
  Administered by campus
- Adobe Connect Enterprise [video conferencing and remote collaboration]
  Unlimited licenses – administered by campus.

The students use their laptops in laptop classrooms (over 25), the library, and other locations across the campus. Each laptop classroom includes a power outlet and a network port for each seat. Laptop classrooms range in size from 25 seats to over 70 seats. The library and other locations have power outlets and network ports plus wireless networking to provide complete coverage.

Supplementing the students’ laptops are public and departmental desktop computing facilities. These facilities include computer classrooms and computers located in public areas. Over 400 desktop computers (80% Windows, 14% Linus/Unix, and 6% Mac) are available to students in over 25 locations. One PC classroom has been especially configured to support Architecture students and other power users. This classroom include high-end desktops running 64-bit applications (as well as 32-bit) on PCs with 16 GB RAM and high-end graphics under 64-bit Windows 8.

5. Campus Network - The campus network backbone is redundant 10G and 1G Ethernet running over fiber. The residence hall rooms have a network port for each resident. There are over 8,000 network
ports on campus plus over 90% of campus buildings have wireless coverage including residence halls. The campus has a 200 Mbps connection to Internet 2 and a 300 Mbps connection to Internet 1 that can be bumped up to 800 Mbps when needed. Rensselaer leases dark fiber to redundantly connect the main campus to the Computational Center for Nanotechnology Innovations as well as Internet 1 and Internet 2 facilities in Albany, New York. This dark fiber is terminated on our DWDM gear which allows Rensselaer to scale to multiple 10G connections as needed.

6. SoA Digital Futures Lab - In 2010, the Institute supported the development of the Digital Futures Lab in the Greene Building, featuring 32 high-end Alienware ALX51 design workstations and four video projectors. The lab serves as a teaching lab and high-powered resource for high-end analysis, visualization and rendering, especially for upper level students whose design studio models are too heavy (complex) for laptops.

7. SoA Computational Hardware - The following computational hardware and accessories are available in Greene for architecture student use:
   - Dell Optiplex 760 (Qty. 4) – Acoustics Lab
   - Dell Optiplex 240 (Qty. 4) – Fabrication Lab
   - Dell Optiplex 270 – Studio
   - Lenovo G530 (Qty. 2) – Presentation Laptop
   - EPSON and Acer Video Projectors
   - 19” – 21” CRT Monitors (Qty. 50) – Secondary monitors for studio and DD students
   - HP DesignJet 750C Plotter – Studio 305
   - Xerox C3545 Network Printer
   - Library 11x17 Printer

8. SoA Online Storage – In addition to 25 MB of file storage in their RCS directories, students have FTP access to a file server with a total capacity of 750GB.

9. SoA Networking – All classrooms and studios are equipped with 100-BaseT Ethernet connections. In addition, wireless internet connectivity is available throughout the entire Greene Building, using 802.1x GTC-PEAP security. Students can also use Cisco VPN Client software to remotely access campus computing resource from off-campus residences or anywhere with Internet access.

10. SoA Printing - Students and faculty can also print and plot to over 75 public printers around campus, including three HP DesignJet 1055C high-resolution color plotters. In Greene, architecture students and faculty also have access to the Digital Fabrications Lab’s peripherals and tools, including:
   - 2 laser cutters – one small format Universal and one Zytec 48” x 48” large format bed
   - 4 x 8 foot bed 3-axis router - milling machine
   - Z-Corp – 3D Printing
   - Drying Oven
   - 30 Ton Ceramic Press
   - Large Kiln
   - Test Kiln
   - HotWire Cutter
   - Clay Mixer/ Pugmill
   - Structures Testing Machine
   - Planer
   - Joiner
   - Table Saw
   - Panel Saw
   - Mitre Saw
   - Band Saw (2)
11. SoA Technical Support - Technical support is available to all students at the RPI Helpdesk by phone or in person seven days per week. In house support from Architecture’s Director of Information Technology is also available to students, faculty and staff four hours per business day, to handle issues specifically related to Architecture hardware and software. Service includes PC and Mac troubleshooting, virus removals, software update installation, software license management, hard drive data recovery, operating system upgrades and installations. For faculty the Director of I.T. also assists with hardware upgrades, technology planning consulting, and remote access setup and is responsible for the Greene Building IT infrastructure including the servers, projectors, plotters and printers associated with the Architecture specific hardware and software applications and their licensing.

Computer hardware repairs can be performed on campus by RPI’s computer repair center, certified for warranty repairs by Dell and Lenovo and Apple. For those participating in the laptop program loaner computers are available during repair periods.

12. SoA Computing Resources for Faculty

**Hardware** - Each full-time tenured or tenure-track member is provided a laptop for coursework and scholarship. Depending on needs and user preference, laptops will currently either be a Lenovo W541 (or equivalent Windows-based laptop), or a MacBookPro (or equivalent Macintosh). Faculty have access to the Rensselaer network and infrastructure and peripheral devices including the fabrication lab, 2 and 3D printing.

**Software** - Faculty have access to the same software that is available to students (see above). The following software are also provided to faculty:

- Microsoft Windows Enterprise 7, 8, 8.1, 10
- Microsoft Office Professional 2013 (for Windows)
- Microsoft Office Professional 2011 (for Macintosh)
- Adobe Creative Suite CS6 Design Premium

**Online Storage**

- In addition to 50MB of file storage in their RCS directories, faculty members have private accounts on an FTP file server with a total capacity of 750GB.

**Technical Support** - Faculty also have access to expert support from Architecture’s Director of I.T. four hours per business day.

13. Center for Architecture Science and Ecology Computing Infrastructure - In addition to bringing their laptops and having remote access to Rensselaer software as described above, each student is provided with a dual-monitor desktop.

Each station is equipped with the following software:
- Adobe CS63 (SOM license)
- AutoCAD (SOM license)
- EcoTect
- Grasshopper
- Microsoft Office (SOM license)
Software available for installation on the workstation through RPI includes:

- Abaqus
- Fluent
- LabView
- MapInfo
- Maple
- MasterCAM
- Matlab
- MSC. Nastran
- MSC.Adams
- MSC.Patran
- Solidworks

All stations are networked to printing including:
- 11x17 printers (2)
- Large-Scale Plotting

Additionally, students will have access to:
- 3D Printer
- 3’ x 4’ Laser Cutter

Changes to the Physical Resources, either Under Construction or Proposed.

No significant changes are underway or planned at this time.

Identification of any Significant Problem that Impacts the Operation or Services

1. **Studio and Pin-Up Spaces** - Depending on the number of students at CASE and/or abroad, the school has had to convert pinup space to studio space. As the number of students in studio-based programs increase, we will need additional studio and pinup spaces. The Division of Administration is mindful of the limited capacity of the Greene building in relation to the school’s long-term commitment to increasing student enrollment, and has assured the SoA leadership that they will provide the necessary support required to accommodate for this new growth.

2. **Studio and Classroom Furnishings** – The school is committed to provide state-of-the-art workstations for all of our students in relation to the tools used in contemporary design settings (which includes: a large monitor, tabletop, storage unit and chair). Funds required to upgrade the current studio and classroom furnishings in order to achieve this goal are acquired through yearly a Capital Funding request.

3. **Digital Futures Lab Technology Refresh** - The challenge of refreshing high-end technology in the Digital Futures Lab every 4-5 years is critical to its mission of extending teaching and the capacity to design using advanced visualization and computational analysis in the design workflow. Given that the lab is in its fifth year, updated hardware is now of strategic importance. Funds required to upgrade the digital futures lab in order to achieve this goal are acquired through a Capital Funding request.

4. **Create an Environment and Energy Lab** - Given a rededication to the B.S in Building Science program, increased attention to CASE classes upstate and a renewed focus on Energy and Environment
in the B. Arch and M. Arch programs demonstrated by two recent full time hires, the School will make a request through the Capital funding process to secure support for a future research lab.

5. Leveraging Laptop Computing - Laptops provide ubiquitous 24/7 access to computing and have been enormously enabling to students, the curriculum and program; however, the increasing demands on processing and for larger and dual monitors to perform upper-level integrated design work points to the need for increased student access to high-end desktop labs and software as well as to the already robust computing infrastructure and peripherals.

The school is currently examining strategies to 1) Incorporate a requirement for dual monitors in studio – either provided by the school or by the student. 2) Require architecture students to upgrade their computer before entering their 4th year and 3) Employ distributed computing to a greater degree in association with laptops in the form of remote batch / cloud rendering by remote processors etc.

6. Shop Expansion - Given the mission of the school, “to prepare students for leadership in 21st century practice …” we must equip them in the best use of the most advanced technologies and techniques relating to the integration of design and making that is increasingly pervasive as a way of thinking and doing. To do so, requires access not only to a wide range of tools and equipment (large format 3D printers, robotic technology, and metal tube bending machines), but also the space and capacity to handle the educational workflow and demand. Additionally, increased staff will be required to oversee the increasing technological demands of the shop. In support of this strategic goal, the school will apply for Capital Funding.

7. Distance Enabling Learning Formats - To make opportunity for second year M.Arch students to participate in the Built Ecologies program at CASE in New York City the ARCH 5150 Structures 2 course is synchronously taught at the Troy and CASE location. Using Rensselaer’s DCC337 facility and tech support to establish a two-way audio/video link, downstate students are able to participate in real time. Multiple cameras focus on the professor, students, the overhead and/or work he wishes to show. CASE based students can ask question through a student helper present in the room.

I.2.3 Financial Resources

Description of the Institutional Process for Allocating Financial Resources

1. Yearly Performance and Budget Plans - Since 2001, the institute has been working with a budget process that is inextricably linked to annual Portfolio Performance Planning. This process represents the culmination of an integrated planning approach designed to link strategies with action and to measure progress toward achieving the objectives outlined in the strategic plan. Each fall, portfolio owners, including each of the five academic deans, are tasked with developing Performance Plans. The Dean of the School of Architecture first develops a set of Key Initiatives specific to the SoA that are also in
alignment with the institute’s Rensselaer Plan 2024. The next step includes a detailed Performance Plan report that addresses how the School’s Key Initiatives link to the Institute-Wide Highest Priorities. Following presentations to the Dean’s Council and President’s Cabinet, a Budget Plan is created corresponding to each of the initiatives in the Performance Plan for the upcoming fiscal year. This budget plan is done by incremental budgeting; the Dean either starts with the previous year’s budget and then requests additional funding for specific initiatives or is asked to submit a revised budget based upon a reduction mandated by the Finance department. This plan is then assessed by Provost, the Chief Financial officer and the President in relation to the budget plans of all the portfolios. Final approval is issued by the Board of Trustees.

2. School Budget - Within the approved annual budget are two categories; salary and non-salary (Education & General, E&G). The salary portion, covering all SoA full-time faculty and staff (and benefits), represents approximately 92% of the school’s budget and is non-discretionary. An annual merit increase percentage pool is typically provided to the Dean for distribution based on individual performance linked to annual faculty and staff evaluations. The non-salary portion, covering costs ranging from part-time adjunct hires to travel, hardware, software and office supplies etc., is discretionary and allocated based on approved budget line items by the Dean and Business Manager of the School.

3. GAP Funding – GAP funding is typically provided to portfolios throughout the institute, in order to provide support for replacement hires, due to sabbaticals, leaves of absences, open lines and departures. Annually the School assigns teaching responsibilities and develops faculty workloads to determine “the Gap” between the budget and the instructional needs. This fiscal data, in the form of a request for Gap Funding, together with a justification, is submitted as a request to the Office of the Provost for approval. The institute acknowledges that the SoA does not have sufficient permanent faculty lines in their yearly budget and is in the process of making as many GAP funded lines permanent in the future.

The line for short-term full-time lecturers and part-time adjuncts to meet the instructional needs of the school’s programs is typically insufficient due to sabbaticals, leaves of absence, open lines and departures. Annually the School assigns teaching responsibilities and develops faculty workloads to determine “the Gap” between the budget and the instructional needs. This fiscal data, in the form of a request for Gap Funding, together with a justification, is submitted as a request to the Office of the Provost for approval.

4. Capital Improvement Requests - In addition, there is a process by which Schools and other portfolios make proposals and applications for capital improvements from a dedicated institutional pool. Capital improvement awards, tied to key initiatives, school’s highest priorities and institute-wide highest priorities are reviewed by the Administration and allocated on a highest priority and impact basis.

5. Faculty Performance Compensation - Each April, Human Resources issues the faculty merit program guidelines. The merit guidelines are for all tenured and tenure-track faculty, professors of practice and lecturers. The guidelines include a range that merit awards must adhere to. Merit awards are based on overall academic performance to include, but not limited to, teaching, research, scholarship and service to the community.

6. Faculty Equity Adjustments - In addition to faculty merit, the Provost accepts recommendations for equity adjustments. This process allows the school to address areas where faculty salaries have created an inequity within the same-ranked faculty.

7. New FTT Hiring Lines - For new hires of tenure track faculty, faculty positions are requested through a faculty-hiring plan that is tied to performance planning and submitted to the Provost. The plan includes salary and startup funding as well as justification of how that position is critical to meet both the School and the Rensselaer Plan goals.
8. Capital Project Funding - Capital Project Funding procedures were put in place in 2001 as part of the Performance Planning process, which includes an assessment of priority needs for each portfolio/school and/or division. These expenditures can be facilities-related and include leasing of real estate, deferred maintenance and/or renewal needs, or they may be related to other initiatives within the portfolio that require capital funding. In all instances, requests must be considered high priorities and consistent with the Portfolio Performance Plan. Since the last accreditation, Architecture garnered $748,012 in support to renovate a portion of the building to establish a new Digital Futures Lab.

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Description of the Expense Categories Over Which the Program has Either Control or Influence

1. Education and General (E&G) Funding - This is based on undergraduate and graduate enrollment, is provided by the Institute, and distributed annually through the budget process that is approved by the Board of Trustees. The school’s E&G funding has seen a modest increase in the last five years (primarily due to faculty merit increases); the following table shows historical E&G data for the school. There is a reduction in the FY16 budget that has been accommodated through adjustments in special programs and reallocation to non-E&G funding. Our overall budget has increased due to faculty and staff merit.

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### 3. Revenue Categories Over Which the Program has Control or Influence

The School, through the Dean and Business Manager, has control or influence over the non-salary E&G portion of the budget, based on a number of preapproved budget line items including:

- Facilities Support
- Graduate Research Support
- Equipment and Office Supplies
- Discretionary funds
- Faculty Expenses
- Lectures
- Publications Office
- Student Workers
- Student Recruiting

These represent approximately 8% of the School’s budget, and in a typical year are supplemented with between $200,000 and $500,000 of Gap Funding specifically for instructional hires that are controlled by the Dean for semester and year-long part-time adjunct hires, and by the Dean (with endorsement by the tenure-track and tenured faculty of the School of Architecture) for full-time one- to three-year lecturer and professor of practice (non-tenure track) hires.

In addition to faculty and staff merit increases (limited to a % pool provided to the Dean), the non-salary E&G line items and annually awarded Gap Funding, the School has several endowments that generate restricted expendable revenues.

### 4. Endowments

In total each year, the school receives approximately $200k in restricted endowment income. This funding is used to support international programs, contingent faculty salaries, lecture and exhibit series, travel, academic programs, faculty, and student enrichment, and/or other designated purposes. Interest earned from the following endowment accounts provides the majority of the support.

- **Dean's Development Fund** generated by interest from Dean's Development Fund Endowment devoted to support alumni development and other special projects - $18,000
- **Samuel F. Heffner ’56 Fund** to support computer facilities and academic program development - $26,000 per year.
- **John Huberty ’40 Fund** to support computer facilities and academic program development - $4,000 per year
- **Mabel Marsh Fund** to support school lectures, critics, underwriting of student projects, and related extra curricula activities - $47,000 per year
• **Lee Harris Pomeroy ’54 Fund** is used to support innovative teaching that demonstrates the creative use of technology in architecture - $7,000 per year

• **James E. Penn Bequest** to be spent at the dean of architecture’s discretion - $98,000 per year – currently underwater and projected to receive only 20% of annual income ($19,000)

• **Leslie Seward VanCampen ’36 Fund** to support faculty salary for the school’s artist in residence - $32,000 per year – currently underwater and projected to receive only 19% of annual income ($6,000)

• **S. Edward Jeter ’60 Fund for the School of Architecture Fund** to support educational programs in the School of Architecture on topics dealing with the practical application of business to architecture and architecture to business - $3,000 per year.

5. **Gift Income** - Gift income varies from year to year. Generally the school receives, on average, $155k in donations for various events, projects and initiatives. The Lighting Research Center receives approximately $1m in gift funding. The Center for Architecture and Ecology in NYC is now an Institute-Wide Center. They continue their agreement with Skidmore, Owings and Merrill (SOM), who gives $175k in funding together with in-kind contributions of just over $2 million annually.

6. **Designated Annual Gifts** - Included in the above gift funding, we receive:

   - **Bedford Traveling Workshop**: $20-$30k yearly for an Interdisciplinary Bedford Traveling Workshop initiative. Each summer, (6) School of Architecture students, (6) School of Engineering students and (3) faculty, embark on a structures traveling workshop to investigate concentrations of best interdisciplinary A/E practices internationally.

   - **Production Installation Performance (PIP)**: The Jaffe family provided $60k for the first 3-year PIP installation. Their recent gift in 2015 is $75k for our Production Installation Performance (PIP).

   - **All-School Lecture Series**: The School of Architecture receives $20k-$30k in funding for the lectures held each fall and spring semester. Most lectures are held in the prestigious EMPAC building. The entire campus is invited to a reception prior to the lecture. Lecture guests includes world-renowned architects.

7. **Non-Designated Annual Gifts to Architecture** - A small amount of gift funding is provided to a “general” gift fund. This amounts to, on average, $1,500-$4,000 over the last four (4) years.

8. **Development Information as of Fall 2014**
   - Total number of school of architecture alumni (Grad and undergrad) 3,079
   - Total number of school of architecture alumni making at least one gift to Rensselaer during the past 10 years 910 34% of total
   - Total number of school of architecture alumni donors to Rensselaer whose lifetime giving is $2,500 or more. 357 12% of total
   - Raised for school of architecture by the campaign (896 donors) $8,861,773

9. **Scholarship, Fellowship and Grant Funds Available for Student and Faculty Purposes**
• Wilson Graham Memorial Fund endowment for students in financial need, with preference given to married students - $1,000 per year

• George T. Droste, Jr. Memorial prize Fund to provide an award to the student with the highest average grade in the Structures sequence within the School of Architecture - $5,000 per year.

• Jon D. McKee '49 Award for International Architectural Studies Fund to provide financial support to students to participate in one of the international programs offered by the school of architecture - $3,000 per year.

Scholarships for Undergraduate Students - Most assistance from Rensselaer is based on financial need and determined by the Office of Financial Aid based on the difference between college costs and what student and family can be expected to pay. Rensselaer is committed to making a quality education financially possible for undergraduates and their families. The Institute is equally committed to making a complex process as straightforward as possible. Prospective first-year students as well as upper-class students apply for financial aid by submitting only the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

To provide access to a quality education for high-quality students, Rensselaer offers substantial financial aid from its own funds. Scholarship grants are awarded after full consideration of the following factors: relative financial need, academic achievement and promise, qualities of character as suggested by recommendations submitted on behalf of the student, evidence of willingness to help oneself by working, and participation in community and school activities. Students do not apply separately for these awards.

Industrial, Foundation, and Endowed Scholarships - Many scholarships are given to Rensselaer by corporations and foundations and through the generosity of alumni and friends. Some of these scholarships are available to first-year students and continue for four years; others are available only in the upper-class years. A list of these scholarships is available through the on-line catalog. http://admissions.rpi.edu/aid/scholarships.html.

The Rensselaer Medal - For more than 90 years, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, in conjunction with high schools around the world, has awarded the Rensselaer Medal to promising secondary school students who have distinguished themselves in mathematics and science. The Medal was first presented in 1916 with two purposes: to recognize the outstanding academic achievement of young men and women, and to motivate students toward careers in science, engineering, and technology. This merit scholarship, with a minimum value of $15,000 per year, is guaranteed for four years for each medalist who is accepted and enrolls at Rensselaer. (Five years for the B.Arch program or a Co-Terminal Program.) Since the last accreditation visit the following medals have been awarded to architecture students:

F10 – 9 medals
F11 – 9 medals
F12 – 17 medals
F13 – 11 medals
F14 – 6 medals

Robert S. Brown '52 Fellows Program - The School of Architecture Robert S. Brown '52 Fellows Program provides an exciting travel-study opportunity for undergraduate students, graduate students and faculty. The Robert S. Brown '52 Travel Fellowships are awarded each year to faculty and students in the School of Architecture.
Goal of the Student Fellowship: The intent of the Brown Fellows Program is to provide a unique opportunity for students within the Rensselaer architecture program to consider architecture as an international discipline with global reach. Through the generous support of our alum Robert S. Brown, students will be able to experience in person the brilliant legacy and traditions of historical and contemporary architecture from around the world that is integral to a proposed research investigation that supports an academic and career trajectory. Offered as a compliment to their education here in the US, this unique travelling fellowship is also intended to provide a multi-cultural experience, in preparation for assuming a leadership position within the discipline in the years ahead.

Three (3) $5,000 fellowships for travel expenses are awarded annually to students (normally in their penultimate year) based upon competitive submission of a study plan proposal. Recipients of Brown Fellowships are obliged to present a public presentation and provide a final report of the results of their study to the school. (2) Fellowships are awarded to students who propose international travel, while (1) fellowship is awarded to a student who is selected to attend a one-month residency at Le Corbusier’s Mill Owner’s Building, in Ahmedabad, India.

Goal of the Faculty Fellowship: The intent of the Brown Fellows Program is to provide a unique opportunity for faculty within the Rensselaer School of Architecture to develop their research within the context of a travelling fellowship. Support funding covers international travel, lodging, and food throughout the duration of the on-site research period as well as the means of disseminating that research in an exhibition and/or publication upon their return. The fellowship is intended to reward exemplary scholarship and innovative design within the profession of architecture and assist in enabling new research to enter in to the public realm. It is expected that the outcome first be presented at Rensselaer and further disseminated in a traveling exhibit, lecture, or publication that reaches beyond Rensselaer.

Three (3) faculty fellowships are awarded annually; one in each of the following faculty categories: $12,000 to one (1) tenured faculty, $12,000 to one (1) tenure track faculty, and $7,500 to one (1) contingent faculty.

Selections of both students and faculty are competitive based on awards by a jury consisting of (2) members of the general faculty within the School of Architecture, (1) practicing architect beyond Rensselaer, and a former student Brown Fellow. The names of the finalists are forwarded to the Dean for final selection.

M. Arch Scholarships - Historically M. Arch students were provided merit scholarships that were funded through the school’s E&G budget. However, with budget reductions and reorganization the funding for this support was reduced to only support the current students. This greatly impacted attracting new students and in 2008 no new M.Arch students matriculated. To rectify this program and help rebuild the enrollment, the Institute initiated a program of merit scholarships in the Fall of 2009 for exceptional members of each year’s entering Master of Architecture class. Awards were made on the basis of GRE scores, GPA’s, and a review of the applicants’ portfolio. The Institute awarded scholarships allowed for an average discount rate of up to 40% for each semester of the program. The program is six semesters in length. No other institute support is available to M.Arch students as only Ph.D students qualify for teaching or research assistantships (TA or RA).
10. Other Funds Available

**Principal Investigator Research Support (PIRS)** - The institute returns to faculty principal investigators support that is calculated based on the indirect cost recovery expenditures on sponsored research contracts in the prior fiscal year and is distributed annually. The full year distribution is 3 percent of the indirect cost recovery. Research support funding is for infrastructure and research development support that cannot be funded on grants.

**Sponsored Research** - Research activity in architecture is a sea change for the School. Within the Performance Plan, the case is made for the need for the Institute to recognize the limitations of the School's budget to support this transition, and help seed the change in areas such as release time, cost sharing and startup packages comparable to science and engineering. Acoustics has seen some recent success with an initial St. Gobain award with additional awards projected. The Center for Architecture Science and Ecology has funding ranging between $500k-$770k in recent fiscal years. The Lighting Research Center, now in its 27th year, averages approximately $4 million dollars in research awards per year.

1. Pending Reductions or Increases in Enrollment and Plans for Addressing These Changes

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After several years of steady growth in the B. Arch program, the enrollment in 2015 has decreased. In response, significant efforts in the School of Architecture and admissions to address this challenge are being implemented throughout the fall of 2015. New initiatives include: (1) strengthening the message and outreach solicitation numbers associated with the external consultant firm Fire Engine Red that is working on behalf of the SoA to increase UG enrollment, (2) offering a total of six webinars promoting the B. Arch and B.S programs, (3) email solicitation to guidance counselors, art teachers and technology instructors from over 3,000 high schools (efforts in the SoA independent of the admissions department), (4) increase the solicitation pool currently in the admissions department, (5) the distribution of new digital flyers associated with the summer career discovery program as well as the B. Arch and the B.S program, (6) the distribution throughout the U.S. and abroad of a digital copy of the school's 632 page selected student work book entitled **INFLUX**, (7) expanded outreach efforts in South America for UG and graduate students, (8) increased number of scheduled on-campus visits, (9) the selection of faculty to travel to various high schools in the Northeast as part of a solicitation drive, and (10) the appointment of over

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twenty-five Student Ambassadors in the SoA to reach out to their former high schools and inform them of Rensselaer's outstanding architecture program.

2. Pending Reductions or Increases in Funding and Plans for Addressing These Changes
For Fiscal Year 2016, the School of Architecture was required to submit a 95% contingency. Decisions regarding future programs were made in order to meet the guidelines for the SoA budget. In order to meet the budget, the Italy Study Abroad Program will be conducted every other fall rather than every fall semester. As a result, students will still have the opportunity to travel to China or India and other study abroad opportunities will be offered. Additionally, the Dean’s yearly discretionary funding typically used for student recruitment efforts will now be significantly reduced.

Changes in Funding Models for Faculty Compensation, Instruction, Overhead, or Facilities - There have been no substantial changes since the last accreditation visit.

Planned or in-progress institutional development campaigns
The Dean works closely with Institute Advancement to secure funding for priority areas for the School of Architecture. A matrix outlining a broad range of targeted areas critical to the continued vibrancy of the school is established (i.e. student scholarships, technology platform upgrades, all-school book publication, Bedford Chair summer traveling workshop, student support associated with the study abroad program, all-school lecture series, CASE / Center for Architecture Science and Ecology endowment and naming of the school) and used as a strategic guide for both the Dean and IA officers in the context of scheduling their outreach efforts every academic year. They meet with donors on a consistent basis as well as invite them to visit campus. The Dean’s Leadership Advisory Council works with the Dean and School to help solicit funds from external donors.

I.2.4 Informational Resources

Library and Information Resources

1. Institutional Context - As part of the Division of the Chief Information Officer, the Rensselaer Libraries support Rensselaer's educational and research endeavors by providing access to needed scholarly content. Complementary to this, the Libraries provide learning and social spaces aimed at enabling learning and discovery and offer online, as well as in-person, consultation on information resources. The Rensselaer Libraries’ main library, the Folsom Library, is a short walk from the Architecture Library which, along with the School of Architecture, is located in the Greene Building. The Architecture Library was established in 1929, and thus is approaching a century of collection-building and service to the School of Architecture. The website for the overall Rensselaer Libraries is http://library.rpi.edu and for the Architecture library is http://library.rpi.edu/architecture.

2. Library Materials - At the end of Rensselaer’s fiscal year 2014, the Rensselaer Libraries held 353,099 print book titles and provides access to 131,038 electronic books. The Architecture Library holds 11,373 print titles, 1,747 electronic book titles, an extensive art and architecture periodicals collection and 117,000 slides. Currently, the Libraries subscribe to over 20,000 electronic journals. Key Architecture packages include Archivision, ARThribographies Modern, Arts & Humanities Full Text, Arts and Humanities Citation Index, Avery Index to Architectural Periodicals, Bibliography of the History of Art, BuildingGreen Suite, Design and Applied Arts Index, International Bibliography of Art, Oxford Art Online, ProQuest: Arts & Humanities and Saskia Ltd. Cultural Documentation. A Collection Development Team meets weekly to review electronic resource usage statistics and make renewal, cancellation and new subscription decisions.
Methodologies for meeting the needs of Rensselaer's programs, faculty, researchers and students include:

Books

1. Purchasing individual print and electronic books based on subject librarian selections, patron requests and aggregated book subscription packages. Electronic book titles displayed in RensSearch, the Rensselaer Libraries website and online catalog, include thousands of publisher titles that are not owned by the Rensselaer Libraries but which, after a patron browsing them for 5 or 10 minutes results in a transaction triggering either a short-term loan or purchase of the electronic book. From the patron's perspective, the process appears to be just another electronic book in the catalog. The Rensselaer Libraries are increasingly reallocating portions of the book budget from librarian-selected to Patron-Driven Acquisition (PDA) eBooks.

2. Providing loan access via the Rensselaer Libraries' website and online catalog (RensSearch) linkage to ConnectNY, a resource-sharing consortium of 18 private New York State institutions of higher learning. The members of this consortium have agreed to use library system middleware that provides an online, merged catalog of the 18 ConnectNY institutions' library book catalogs containing over 9 million book titles. This consortium also provides a courier service that continually routes books between member libraries in order to provide access to the books in 2 to 4 business days. Pratt Institute, which just joined ConnectNY this year, has a School of Architecture.

3. Providing traditional interlibrary loan access via the worldwide OCLC library cooperative.

4. If only one chapter of a book is of interest, that chapter may be obtainable by the Libraries' participation in the RapidILL consortium's "Rapid Book Chapter" program where a scanned copy of the chapter is sent from the library that has the book in their collection to the requesting library.

5. Submittal of a "Purchase Request" form via RensSearch, the Library's website and online catalog. Book requests are routed to selection librarians for purchase consideration, if appropriate, or a response is sent to the patron suggesting they request the title via one of the Rensselaer Libraries' interlibrary loan options.

Journal Articles

1. Subscribing to electronic journals individually and/or via an aggregated package.

2. Providing traditional interlibrary loan access via the worldwide OCLC library cooperative.

3. Membership and participation in RapidILL a revolutionary article delivery system developed at Colorado State University. Rensselaer is a participant in RapidILL’s Academic Pod E that includes many prestigious institutions of higher learning including a good number of institutions with notable engineering programs such as Carnegie Mellon, Georgia Tech, Johns Hopkins, and the University of Wisconsin.

4. If article is still unavailable, due to exceeding the annual “fair use” copyright restriction for a particular journal, the Interlibrary Loan Librarian will usually purchase the article directly from the publisher, or via the Copyright Clearance Center’s “Get It Now” document delivery service and email, in PDF file form, to the patron.

5. Submittal of a “Purchase Request” form via RensSearch, the Library’s website and online catalog. If warranted in the Libraries’ judgment, the title is added to the Materials Request list for subscription consideration given funding coverage and prioritization over other requests.
Drawing upon its strong tradition of providing innovative ways to find and obtain information, the Rensselaer Libraries is transitioning from a "Just-In-Case" to a "Just-In-Time" library model. The electronic resources environment and nascent patron-driven electronic book loan and acquisitions offerings provide the tools to analyze usage and provide users with exactly what they want, when they want it. It's also increasingly more cost and labor workflow effective to purchase, or obtain via interlibrary/consortia loan or fee-based short-term loan mechanisms, electronic delivery of articles from journals with lower Rensselaer usage statistics. The transition to the "Just-In-Time" model represents a shift in library resource expenditures from speculation and anticipation by librarians to real and immediate needs by patrons – preferably in electronic format.

This transition builds on recent pilot patron-driven acquisition (PDA) projects undertaken by the Rensselaer Libraries and also in conjunction with the ConnectNY consortium. The evolution from a print-based physical collection of books and a subscription electronic journal model to an on-demand "Just-In-Time" model focused, whenever possible, on electronic/online delivery, will accelerate as publishers become increasingly more flexible in their own business models.

3. Library Facilities and Services - Folsom Library serves as the main library for the Rensselaer campus, and houses materials in support of all curricula. The building has four floors covering 108,028 square feet, with the majority of the collections available in open stacks directly accessible to users. Most materials may be borrowed. Reference books, print journals, and archival materials are restricted to building use.

The second floor of the library is the main floor where one enters, and where the Service Desk is located. Reference services are available in person during standard business hours, by phone, and online via a Library Support web form. General questions may be asked at the Service Desk, during staffed hours. Class Reserves materials are made available by the Public Services staff, as well as requests submitted to InterLibrary Loan. The Class of ’96 Reading Room, in addition to comfortable seating, houses a rotating collection of approximately 350 trade fiction and nonfiction books. There are popular magazines as well as a selection of travel books. The magnetic poetry board is a popular feature as is the chess board. The nearby DVD collection has over 4500 titles for loan. Also on the second floor is The Library Café, open weekdays, from morning to evening. It serves beverages, and a variety of snacks, soup and sandwiches. Counter and table seating are available.

The first floor is occupied by the libraries’ Technical Services department, compact shelving with older journals and theses, a vinyl album collection, a book-swap shelf, and tables and carrels for study. The Center for Communication Practices occupies offices on the first floor, and a high-tech classroom is under construction.

The third floor is devoted to books and journals supporting the humanities. The Institute Archives and Special Collections are located in the Fixman Room. The fourth floor, on which the majority of the engineering and science books and journals are housed, is primarily a quiet study area with impressive views of Troy and the Hudson River.

The Architecture Library occupies 4184 sf on the third floor of the Greene (Architecture) building and serves as a kind of living room for the school. It houses the Art and Architecture section of the Institutional collection including the key architectural journals and packages listed above as well as a visual resources collection and slide library. Staff provide students and faculty assistance with access to the network of scholarly resources to which Rensselaer belongs, and specific searches. They also review Final Project books for conformance with standards and arrange for binding and cataloguing and continually assess the collection and acquisitions. The Architecture Library also serves as a study location equipped for scanning and printing materials related to research as well as for students’ studio and course projects.
4. Library Staffing - The Director of the Rensselaer Libraries oversees both the Folsom and Architecture Libraries including a staff of eighteen, which includes six librarians, three archivists, and six library associates or specialists.

Below the director-level, there are managers who supervise staff in three areas of operations: The Manager of Public Services supervises the Reference and Instruction, and InterLibrary Loan librarians, four Folsom Library Associates and one Architecture Library Specialist, who provide services for the Service Desk, Class Reserves, InterLibrary Loan and stack maintenance. The Manager of Technical Services supervises the Technology and Metadata Librarian, the Cataloging Librarian & Architecture Library Liaison, and a Library Specialist who performs acquisitions and serials functions. In Archives, the Institute Archivist, who is also the libraries’ Head of Collection Development, supervises the Assistant Institute Archivist, and an Automation Archivist. In administration, reporting to the director, there is an Administrative Assistant, a Business Coordinator, and a Senior Systems Administrator who provides IT support for the libraries.

5. Consortia - The Rensselaer Libraries participate in a number of library consortia that provide benefit to the Architecture program. The most important is ConnectNY, consisting of 18 independent New York State colleges and universities with the mission to share collections, leverage resources and enhances services through cooperative initiatives and coordinated activities. This past year, ConnectNY and NEexpress, a consortium of seven independent institutions of higher education in the New England states, agreed to provide a linkage for their shared print book programs. The Rensselaer Libraries also participate in RapidILL, an interlibrary loan network, and in the Capital District Library Council (CDLC). Finally, the Rensselaer Libraries has long participated in New York State’s Coordinated Collection Development Agreement that provides an annual grant to be used for print books. The Rensselaer Libraries appropriates this annual grant to Management, Computer Science and Architecture print books.

6. School of Architecture Library - The Architecture Library is staffed full-time by a Library Specialist, with support from a Librarian who shares Folsom Library (main library) and Architecture Library responsibilities. Student workers, all from the School of Architecture, play a key role in running the Architecture Library. The Architecture Library is under the supervision of the Manager of Public Services of the Rensselaer Libraries. The Manager of Public Services reports to the Director of the Rensselaer Libraries, who in turn reports to the Vice-President for Information Services and Technology and Chief Information Officer.

Equipment and Furnishings - There are spacious areas on all four floors of Folsom Library, providing seating for more than 500 people, with tables for group study, and desks and carrels for individual study. A total of fifty-four small and medium size study rooms are freely available, located around the perimeters of mainly the third and fourth floors, with a few on the first floor. Two larger group-meeting rooms on the third floor can be reserved for collaborative work. A seminar room and conference room on the main floor are also available for reservation. Lounge areas with comfortable seating are scattered around the four floors.

Wireless LAN access is available throughout the library and several hundred ports are available for wired connections. A total of 24 public computers are in the building that can be accessed with a Rensselaer Username and password, and guests may be signed on by a staff member. There are scanners and printers on every floor of the library, including a KIC Bookeye 4 scanning workstation on the second floor. There are two microform readers with printing capability on the first floor, and a photocopier on the third floor. Also, in one of the first floor study rooms is a turntable to accompany the nearby vinyl album collection.

In the Architecture Library there are five large study tables, each with lighting and seating for six. This is complemented by a large meeting table /area and several more casual, comfortable
seating areas. The lighting and décor provide a cozy, traditional library setting conducive to serious individual study, as well as group projects. Within the library are two large format scanners, 4 smaller high-end scanners, eight workstations, two photocopiers and a network-connected color printer accessible for student use students. The Architecture Library has wireless LAN access available.

Library Hours

During the academic year the Folsom Library Building is open:

- Mon. – Thur. 7:30 AM – 3 AM (Service Desk closes at midnight)*
- Friday 7:30 AM – 9 PM
- Saturday 10 AM – 9 PM
- Sunday 12 PM – 3 AM (Service Desk closes at midnight)

During the academic year, the Architecture Library is open:

- Mon.-Thurs. 8:30 AM – 9 PM
- Fridays 8:30 AM – 5 PM
- Saturdays 2:00 AM – 6 PM
- Sundays 3:00 AM – 9 PM

I.2.5 Administrative Structure and Governance

The Institute - Rensselaer is a private university with a Board of Trustees. The President sets the vision and mission of the Institute. Since her arrival in 2000, Dr. Shirley Ann Jackson, in conjunction with her leadership team, established both the Rensselaer Plan and The Rensselaer Plan 2024; comprehensive strategic plans aimed at elevating the institute ‘to achieve greater prominence in the 21st century as a top-tier world-class technological research university with global reach and global impact.’ Conceived as a visionary roadmap for the institute to address pressing global challenges specific to the 21st century, the leadership throughout the institute is committed to rigorous annual performance plan procedures which ensure an evergreen examination of these larger aspirations in relation to each of the school’s respective priorities. The President’s cabinet is comprised of the Provost, ten Vice Presidents, the Chief of Staff, and the Secretary of the Institute and General Counsel. The University consists of five Schools, led by Deans who oversee their respective portfolio and report to the Provost, the Chief Academic Officer of the University: [see Institute’s Organizational Chart - https://www.rpi.edu/president/bot/]

Academic Leadership – Direct Reports Chart

Board of Trustees – Arthur J. Gajarsa, Chair

President – Dr. Shirley Ann Jackson

Provost – Dr. Prabhat Hajela

Academic Deans

- School of Architecture – Evan Douglis
- School of Engineering – Shekar Garde
- School Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences (HASS) – Mary Simoni
Each of the five Deans report to the Provost and is part of the Provost’s Dean’s Council. The Provost’s Dean’s Council includes: the five academic Deans, the Vice-Provost and Dean of Undergraduate Education and the Vice Provost and Dean of Graduate Education. Under the performance planning process employed at Rensselaer, each School is referred to as a ‘Portfolio’. The Deans are the ‘Portfolio Owners’, responsible for annual review reporting, strategic and implementation planning, faculty and staff hiring, accreditation oversight, budgeting, fundraising, student recruitment, outreach, accreditation and public relations linked to the overall short and long-term vitality of their respective schools.

The Board of Trustees - The Board of Trustees works with the President to oversee the Institute. The Board meets several times each year to receive updates on the programs and finances of the Institute, and to act on matters of importance. Officers of the Board of Trustees are: Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, and President Shirley Ann Jackson.

The Board of Trustees is comprised of 25 members, including the officers noted above. (Additional information is available at https://www.rpi.edu/president/bot/)

The President and Leadership Team - The Honorable Shirley Ann Jackson has been President of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute since 1999. She is the Institute’s 18th President. Prabhat Hajela, Ph.D., is the Provost, the chief academic officer of the Institute. (Information on the Cabinet Members and Deans is available at www.rpi.edu/president/cabinet/index.html.)

President’s Cabinet

- Prabhat Hajela, Provost
- Charles Carletta, Secretary of the Institute and General Counsel
- Elisha Mozersky, Chief of Staff
- Jonathan S. Dordick, Vice President of Research
- Virginia Gregg, Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer
- John Kolb, V.P. for Information Services and Technology, and Chief Information Officer
- [Vacant], Vice President and Dean, Hartford Campus
- John Wexler, V.P. of Enrollment and Dean of Undergraduate/Graduate Admission
- Curtis Powell, Vice President of Human Resources
- Claude Rounds, Vice President of Administration
- Frank E. Ross III, Vice President of Student Life
- [Vacant], Vice President of Strategic Communications and External Relations
- Graig Eastin, Vice President of Institutional Advancement

Additional Direct Reports to the President

- Johannes Goebel, Dir.of the Experimental Media and Performing Arts Center (EMPAC)
- James Spencer, Director of Rensselaer Technology Park and Commercial Real Estate

The Institute’s Faculty Senate - The Faculty Senate, as reconstituted in March 2012, is a 19-member elected body comprised of 14 members of the tenured/tenure-track faculty, 4 members of the non-tenure faculty, and the Provost (ex officio). (Further information is available at http://facultysenate.rpi.edu/about-rensselaer-faculty-senate.)
The Faculty Senate’s statement of purpose indicates that: “The Faculty Senate shall represent the views of the faculty on issues affecting the common purposes of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. The faculty’s role in the creation, understanding, and dissemination of knowledge is held in the highest esteem and will not be abridged. The Senate shall implement the faculty’s participation in key aspects of academic governance by recruiting and nominating faculty; administering elections including elections to the Promotion and Tenure, Curriculum and Planning and Resource Committees, any standing and ad hoc committees, and other subsidiary bodies of the Senate as required; providing a forum for policy deliberation on matters of importance to the faculty; and advising the Provost as to faculty views in all matters relating to the principal missions of the Institute. Resolutions passed by the Senate shall help guide Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in scholarly activities and instruction, and important issues affecting the faculty in general will be presented to the faculty with recommendations for consideration and action.”

Faculty Senate

Executive Committee - Chair of the Faculty, President, Vice President, Secretary of the Faculty, Secretary of the Senate, and Recording Secretary. Senators include two from School of Engineering, two from School of Science, two from School of Humanities and Social Sciences, one from School of Architecture, and one from Lally School of Management

Faculty Senate Committees

Curriculum Committee - (seven faculty members elected to 3-year terms), to consider proposals for changes in courses of instruction, requirements for a major in each subject, for new curricula, and changes or discontinuations in existing curricula. Additionally, the Committee considers proposals for changes in the Core Curriculum and encourages innovations in instruction and pedagogical materials.

Promotion & Tenure Committee - (eight full professors serving 3-year terms plus one selected annually by the student body) to review cases for promotion and/or tenure and make recommendations to the Provost. (Faculty Handbook, http://www.rpi.edu/dept/provost/facultyhandbook1-06.pdf).

Planning & Resources Committee - (five members of the tenured/tenure-track faculty elected to 3-year terms) to participate in strategic academic planning, review proposals to approve new academic programs or to terminate existing programs and solicit new proposals from the faculty. The committee also provides the Provost with guidance and advocacy on the development of new Institute Centers for Research.

Faculty Committee on Honors - (five tenured/tenure-track members appointed for staggered terms) issues a public call for nominations and then proceeds to evaluate and select candidates for specific honors. The Committee also evaluates, ranks and recommends candidates to the President for the following year’s Commencement Speaker and Honorary Doctoral Degree Candidates.

The Senate holds one general meeting in the fall and one in the spring. Special meetings of the faculty can be called by the President of the Institute, the Provost, the Executive Committee of the Senate, by a majority of the Senate, or by a petition from the general faculty with the signatures of 10% of the faculty.
The School of Architecture - The School of Architecture is one of two schools throughout the institute [Architecture and Engineering] with professional programs. Of the five schools, three [HASS, Science and Engineering] have departments, and two [Architecture and the Lally School of Management and Technology] do not. The School of Engineering is the largest school comprising 59% of the undergraduate student population.

School of Architecture [see organization chart] (http://www.arch.rpi.edu/naab/16-OrganizationalCharts.pdf)

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Leadership

- Associate Dean1,2,8
- Head of Graduate Studies 1,3
- Business Manager1,9
- Center Director [LRC] 2,3
- Center Director [CASE] 2,3,10
- LRC Associate Director 2, 11
- Graduate Program Directors - [M. Arch I, M.Arch II, Lighting, Architectural Acoustics, Built Ecologies]12

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Staff

- Executive Assistant to the Dean 3
- Administrative Staff 13
- Digital Fabrications Lab Manager 8
- IT Director 8

In the School of Architecture there are no departments and faculty report directly to the Dean. Research faculty and specialists report to Center Directors. Although the Associate Dean, the Head of Graduate Studies and Graduate Program Directors serve an administrative role and are part of the Dean’s leadership team they do not have faculty reports or perform annual reviews, as required of department heads in other schools throughout the institute.

SoA Leadership Team

- Prof. Evan Douglish, Dean
- Associate Prof. Mark Mistur, Associate Dean
- Assistant Prof. Christopher Perry, Head of Graduate Studies, M.Arch II Program Director
- Prof. Mark Rea, Director of the Lighting Research Center
- Prof. Russ Leslie, Associate Director of the Lighting Research Center
- Assistant Prof. Lonn Combs, M.Arch Professional Program Director
- Prof. Anna Dyson, Dir. of the Center for Architecture, Science and Ecology (CASE)*
- Assistant Prof. Alexandra Rempel, Acting Dir., B.S. in Building Science Program

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9 Reports to the Dean and Director of Budget in Finance
10 Reports to the Dean (Academic Program) and V.P Research (CASE)
11 Reports to the Dean and LRC Director
12 Reports to the Dean and Director of Graduate Programs
13 Reports to the Business Manager
CASE is co-located in New York City and at the RPI campus.

In 2015, CASE was designated an Institute Center. While the research component of the program reports to the VP of Research, the faculty and academic programs at CASE remain under the purview and responsibility of the School of Architecture.

The NAAB-accredited degree programs of the school include the:

- Bachelor of Architecture (5yr)
- Master of Architecture (3yr)

B.Arch Program Administration - The Associate Dean administers the B.Arch program, under the directorship of the Dean. All curriculum-related issues are addressed by the school’s Curriculum Committee. The committee is chaired by the Associate Dean and comprised of 5-6 tenured and tenure-track faculty who meet regularly to assess, curricula, conformance to program and course level learning outcomes, and to consider, initiate, approve and implement proposed changes. The committee maintains minutes, votes on recommendations that are forwarded to the Dean for approval, and where required, to the Faculty Senate Curriculum committee, Provost, President and New York State Education Department for approval. The committee periodically establishes task groups with membership outside the committee to consider more complex issues and sometimes consults the Dean’s Student Advisory Council on changes to the curriculum.

M.Arch Program Administration - The Director of the M.Arch Program administers the M.Arch Program, under the directorship of the Dean. The Director of the M.Arch Program also reports directly to the Head of Graduate Studies who in turn reports administratively to both the Dean and the Vice Provost for Graduate Education. All proposals and changes are made through the SoA curriculum committee. Upon approval by the curriculum committee recommendations are moved to the Dean, and where required, to the Faculty Senate Curriculum Committee, Provost, President and New York State Education Department for approval.

Other degree programs include:

- **B.S. in Building Science** – 4 year
- **M.Arch II** - Geofutures - 1 year Post-Professional
  (prior professional Architecture degree or international equivalent required)
  - Concentration in Environmental Paremetrics
  - Concentration in Ecological Urbanism
- **Master in Science in Lighting** – 1 year
- **Master of Science in Architectural Sciences** – 1 year
  - Concentration in Architectural Acoustics
  - Concentration in Built Ecologies
  - Concentration in Lighting
- **Ph.D. in Architectural Sciences** – 72 credits – (including a dissertation)
* The SoA is currently in the process of changing the name to Master of Science in Architecture. The application has been approved at both the school and institute level and is expected to be submitted to NYS by Rensselaer's President momentarily, for final approval.

The Ph.D in Architectural Sciences provides the umbrella structure for the concentration areas described above and:

- Builds on the Rensselaer platform and distinction
- Promotes interdisciplinary approaches to research
- Creates resources, expertise and opportunities for professional program students in the form of faculty, research, scholars, labs, tools, minors, courses and programs (NYC – CASE) and undergraduate research opportunities.

The Master of Science in Architectural Sciences in those same concentration areas is much the same:

- Allowing students with professional degrees, and students from alternate related disciplines to engage in study in a specific area
- Preparing graduates with specific expertise, for consultancies, or in anticipation of/as part of a Ph.D.

**Graduate Research Programs Administration** - Under the directorship of the Dean, the Ph.D. in Architectural Sciences and Master of Science programs is administered by each of the program’s respective directors. These Directors also report directly to the Head of Graduate Studies, who in turn, reports administratively to both the Dean and the Vice Provost for Graduate Education. Proposals and curricula changes are vetted and approved first by the SoA Curriculum Committee. The committee maintains minutes, votes on recommendations that are forwarded to the Dean for approval, and where required, to the Faculty Senate Curriculum committee, Provost, President and New York State Education Department for approval.

**School of Architecture Standing Committees**

**SoA Curriculum Committee** – Led by a tenured faculty member (the Associate Dean), this committee consists of the Head of Graduate Programs, the Head of the M.Arch program and four additional faculty members at the ranks of assistant and associate professor. The Dean is an ex-officio member. His executive assistant is the staff liaison to the committee and the Student Services Administrator also participates. The Associate Dean and one other member serve on the Faculty Senate Curriculum Committee. On matters concerning the Architectural Acoustics, Lighting, or Built Ecologies Programs the directors or their representatives attend and participate on an as needed basis. To better understand the student perspective, the curriculum committee periodically solicits the perspective of students from the Dean's Student Advisory Council.

The committee meets every two weeks to consider and recommend changes to programs and courses, address institute initiatives dealing with curricular issues
and to oversee and assess curricula in relation to program outcomes and mission. Recommendations are forwarded to the Dean and when required to the Faculty Senate Curriculum committee and New York State Education Department.

In 2013 -14 the Curriculum committee initiated a comprehensive review of the B.Arch and M.Arch I programs. The process was inclusive, engaging many additional faculty members at all ranks on task groups established by content area. Two daylong retreats to consider together how the school can best realize its mission in a 21st century ever-changing professional and global context focused on revisions to the B.Arch and M.Arch I. (http://www.arch.rpi.edu/naab/08-Curriculum-Pre-Retreat-Documents.pdf)

**Faculty Search Committee** – led by a tenured faculty member, this committee includes 5-6 tenured and tenure-track faculty who, once the institute provides funding for faculty hiring, take responsibility for developing the advertisement, reviewing applications, interviewing candidates and making hiring recommendations to the Dean.

**Pedagogical Innovations Committee** – led by a tenured faculty member, this standing committee includes 4-5 contingent and tenured/tenure-track faculty, as well as a student representative. The Committee’s role is to study pedagogical innovations, including MOOCs and technological advancements, and make recommendations to the Dean.

**Library Committee** – led by a tenured faculty member, this committee is comprised of approximately 6 contingent and tenured/tenure-track faculty as well as one undergraduate student and one graduate student. The Committee’s role is to review faculty and student requests for books, journals, and other materials, and to provide the Dean with recommendations for updates to the library, extended uses of the library, and other library-related matters.

**School of Architecture Task Force Committees** - Other committees and task groups are formed as needed. Recent committees have included a **NAAB Preparation Committee**, **Curricular Task Groups** (by content area), and a **Tenure and Promotion Standards Committee**.

**Opportunities for Involvement in Governance by Faculty, Staff, and Students**

**Governance by Faculty, Staff and Students** - A high percentage of tenure-track and tenured faculty teaching in the professional programs serve as part of the school’s leadership team and/or serve on the School of Architecture **Curriculum Committee**. As a result, a majority of the full-time faculty are actively involved in the governance of the program. Fixed full-time faculty (comprised of Lecturers and Professors in Practice) and part-time faculty referred to as ‘Adjunct’ faculty, who do not assume administrative positions or committee membership, are often consulted throughout the course of each semester on matters relating to their respective content area.

The Dean and Associate Dean meet throughout the course of the academic year, with the Administrative, IT, Library, and Shop staff in order to exchange information, promote performance efficiency, and overall strengthen the support infrastructure in relation to the academic and graduate research units. The staff is encouraged to contribute their unique perspectives and insight with the school leadership.
In terms of opportunities for the students to participate in the governance of the school, students are represented on the Dean’s Student Advisory Council, approximately 15 student-selected representatives from each undergraduate and graduate class, as well as the leaders of the AIAS and NOMAS student chapter organization are periodically solicited to contribute to the school’s Curriculum Committee and students oversee two influential student chapter organizations in the school that interface with the administrative leadership of the school. The Council also meets with the Dean one to two times per semester to discuss career planning, program curricula, time management, faculty advising and student mentorship, study abroad program opportunities, technology infrastructure, student recruitment, publications, and a range of other matters of great importance to the student body. Meeting minutes are taken, distributed to all the attendees and student proposals are carefully considered in the context of implementing change.

The Curriculum Committee, in addition to engaging the Dean’s Student Advisory Council on occasion, also involves the entire school on larger proposal, such as the recent curriculum reform of the B. Arch and M. Arch programs.

II.1.1 Student Performance Criteria:


**Integrated Architectural Solutions** – This pedagogical strategy has been a defining characteristic of the School for many years, particularly in the upper level required Design Development Studio where students are taught to integrate many of the concerns of complex building design from bulk and mass, to program, life safety, accessibility, environmental stewardship, building envelope, materials, site and building systems using multiple tools including BIM and large scale physical modeling to develop their creative ability to responsibly manage multiple criteria and constraints to a project’s advantage. “Tech-Talks” associated with a variety of topical considerations launch weekly charrettes and exercises that build on the complexity while triggering questions and necessitating design iterations. The studio is joined by fifth-year master of engineering students and the Bedford professor (a structural engineer) to integrate the A/E enterprise in the studio setting and is a co-requisite with Professional Practice. Coordinated assignments explore code compliance, and issues of project cost.

At the graduate level the creation of the Built Ecologies Program and the Center for Architecture Science and Ecology demonstrates a commitment to these principles, particularly as they relate to research and developing skills associated with making integrated decisions considering multiple variables. At the undergraduate level the Design Development studio has been expanded to a two semester sequence of Integrated Design Schematic (IDS) and Integrated Design Development (IDD) with the anticipation that integrative evaluations and decision making in the design process will live in both studios with an emphasis on site conditions and predesign in IDS, and building systems integration in IDD. At the M. Arch level students experience a semester at CASE in a professional research environment working on, among other things, one of the next-generation sustainable building systems that are being developed there.

**Emphasis on Interdisciplinary Research** – Research is increasingly key to our discipline. As a school we demonstrate a commitment to various forms of research ranging from qualitative to quantitative, fundamental and applied in our graduate research programs and centers, through experimental studios, work that addresses design workflow, new fabrication techniques and tools, as well as design research methodologies. In the final year Methods course students are presented with and demonstrate an understanding of various theoretical and applied research methodologies in parallel with setting up their own research related to a final project.
Outcome Based Learning – Course Learning outcomes are listed in every course syllabus and are tied to some form of assessment. For those required courses that are linked to NAAB SPC’s, either in whole or part, there are Learning Outcomes that directly relate to the SPC and that are assessed, either in the context of a project, assignment or through examination.

The Methodology for Assessing Student Work (i.e., “high” v. “low” pass) - The methodology for assessing work at Rensselaer is based on letter grades with modifiers (A, A-, B+, etc.). Many faculty use numerical systems for individual assignments; however, when calculated to derive the final semester grade they are transposed to letter grades. In undergraduate courses, ‘D’ is the minimum passing grade. For graduate students (M.Arch program) the minimum passing grade it is a ‘C’.

II.2.1 Institutional Accreditation
The Institute is accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education. See http://www.arch.rpi.edu/naab/31-Middle-States-Letter.pdf

II.2.2 Professional Degrees and Curriculum

NAAB Accredited Degrees

- Bachelor of Architecture, B. Arch [171 credits]
  Prerequisite Education: High School Diploma including:
  - 4 years of English
  - 4 years of mathematics through pre-calculus
  - 4 years of science (including biology, chemistry and physics)
  - 3 years of social studies and/or history

- Master of Architecture, M. Arch [100 credits - in addition to baccalaureate degree]
  Prerequisite: A 4-year 120 credit Baccalaureate degree

The School of Architecture offers a five-year Bachelor of Architecture degree. The Bachelor of Architecture is a professional degree accredited by the National Architecture Accrediting Board. Approximately 60 students are admitted directly into the program each year. As a professional school designed for those ready to begin serious architectural study in the first year, the School of Architecture’s admissions decisions are based on three criteria:

- Overall academic excellence
- Creativity demonstrated through work in the arts and other areas
- Maturity and personal motivation
Bachelor of Architecture (5 yr)

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Bachelor of Architecture (171 credit hours)

General Studies (52)

Humanities Arts and Social Sciences (20 cr)
- 8 cr - Humanities courses
- 8 cr - Social Science courses
- 4 cr - Humanities or Social Science course @ 4000 level

Sciences (20 cr)
- 4 cr - (1) required Math course
- 4 cr - (1) elective Math course
- 8 cr – (2) required Science courses
- 4 cr – (1) elective from School of Science

Electives (12 cr)

Required Professional Courses (107 cr)*

History/Theory/Criticism (18 cr)
- 10 required courses

Technology (22 cr)
- 8 required courses

Professional Practice (6 cr)*
- 3 required courses

Digital Constructs (8 cr)
- 4 required courses

Design (45 cr)
- 6 core studios + 3 required option studios

Final Project (8 cr) *
- 1 required methods seminar and 1 required studio

Professional Electives (12 cr)

* Being Phased-In
Courses and Credit Hours – Professional Content Breakdown (107 credits)

The B. Arch professional degree program consists of (99) required course credits and (8) credits of Final Project. The professional studies curriculum includes a History/Theory sequence, a Technology sequence and a Design sequence within which are integrated computing and drawing components.

History / Theory Sequence (18 credits)

ARCH 2150 The Ethos of Architecture (2cr)
ARCH 2150 Architectural Media (2cr)
ARCH 4090 Architectural Case Studies (2cr)
ARCH 4120 Modernity in Culture, Civilization, and Architecture 1 (2cr)
ARCH 4100 An Architectural Genealogy 1 (2cr)
ARCH 4130 Modernity in Culture, Civilization, and Architecture 2 (2cr)
ARCH 4110 An Architectural Genealogy 2 (2cr)
ARCH 4150 Contemporary Design Approaches (2cr)
ARCH 4050 Cities and Their Territories (2cr)

Technology Sequence (22 credits)

ARCH 2510 Materials and Design (2cr)
ARCH 2370 Energy, Comfort and Ecology (2cr)
ARCH 2330 Structures 1 (3cr)
ARCH 2350 Constructions Systems (2cr)
ARCH 2360 Environmental and Ecological Systems (4cr)
ARCH 4330 Structures 2 (3cr)
ARCH 4560 Materials and Enclosures (2cr)
ARCH 4740 Building Systems and Environment (4cr)

Professional Practice (6 Credits)

ARCH 4540 Professional Practice 1 (2cr) *
ARCH 4550 Professional Practice 2 (2cr)
ARCH 4590 Economics and Architecture (2cr)

Digital Constructs Sequence (8 credits)

ARCH 2520 Digital Constructs 1 (2cr)
ARCH 2530 Digital Constructs 2 (2cr)
ARCH 2540 Digital Constructs 3 (2cr)
ARCH 2550 Digital Constructs 4 (2cr)

Design Sequence (45 credits)

ARCH 2800 Architectural Design Studio 1 (5cr)
ARCH 2810 Architectural Design Studio 2 (5cr)
ARCH 2820 Architectural Design Studio 3 (5cr)
ARCH 2830 Architectural Design Studio 4 (5cr)
ARCH 4963 Integrated Design Schematic (5cr)
ARCH 4830 Design Development Studio (5cr)
ARCH 4770 Architectural Design Studio 5 (5cr)
ARCH 4780 Architectural Design Studio 6 (5cr)
ARCH 4490 Architectural Design Studio 7 (5cr)
Final Project (8 credits)

ARCH 4910 Final Project Design Research Seminar (3cr)
ARCH 4920 Final Project Design Studio (5cr)

Professional Electives (12 credits)

3-6 Professional Elective courses (2-4 crs ea.) (12cr)

Courses and Credits – General Education (credits) - The curriculum leading to the architecture degree includes 52 credit hours of required, restricted and unrestricted elective general education courses. Students are required to complete:

Science Core (20 credits)

MATH1500 Calculus for Architecture, Management, and HASS (4cr)
MATHXXXX Math Elective (4cr)
BIOL1010 Introduction to Biology (3cr)
BIOL1015 Introduction to Biology Laboratory (1cr)
PHYS1050 General Physics (4cr)
Science Elective (4cr)

Humanities Arts and Social Sciences Core (20 credits)

Social Science Electives (8cr)
Humanities Electives (8cr)
Humanities or Social Science Elective (4000 level) (4cr)

General Elective Credits (12 credits)

Students have 12 free electives credits which may be used to pursue a minor or dual major, or as a means of further broadening exposure to a range of disciplines.

In addition, institute core curriculum / HASS requirements include:

Depth requirement: student must take at least one course sequence in the same HASS discipline including a lower and an upper level course. (for example, a 1000 level and a 4000 level Psychology course), and a

Communication Requirement: Students must take at least two Communication Intensive Courses. One course must be in the student’s major; the other must be in the School of HASS. ARCH4980 B.Arch Final Project or ARCH 4920 Final Project Design Studio count for the School of Architecture communication intensive course.

Any and all course prerequisites exist within the 171 credits, courses and categories outlined above. Prerequisites are specifically identified with course sequences and listings below.

Notes:
- There are 20 stand alone general studies credits in Humanities Arts and Social Sciences
- There are 20 stand alone general studies credits in Science
- An additional eight credits of general studies content have been formally attributed to required architecture course content by the School of Science (4 cr), the School of Humanities Arts and Social Sciences (4 cr), and the Faculty Senate Curriculum Committee, respectively. (see catalog)
- There are 12 additional general elective credits.
The Italian studies program has language course requirements (2 levels) taken before participation. The Chinese studies program has language course requirements (2 levels) taken before participation and while studying abroad. These are taught online or by non-architectural faculty, and do not include professional content. They online courses are required but not for credit, administered through the School of Architecture and counted as professional electives.

The India Studies, China Studies and Italian Studies Program have significant general studies content including courses in Painting, Chinese Calligraphy, Mandarin Language, Italian Language, Art and Culture of Italy, India Discovery, The Culture and Civilization of India.

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General Studies (120) - From prior Baccalaureate Degree

Optional Studies (10)

Required Professional Courses (90 cr)

Undergraduate Credits: (59 cr)\(^{14}\)

- History/Theory/Criticism (8 cr)
  - 2 required courses
- Technology (19 cr)
  - 6 required courses
- Professional Practice (6 cr)*
  - 3 required courses
- Digital Constructs (4 cr)
  - 2 required courses
- Design (10 cr)
  - 2 core studios
- Professional Electives (8 cr) (4000 Level or above)

Graduate Credits: (41 cr)\(^{15}\)

\(^{14}\) 5000 level graduate professional courses taken with undergraduates in 4000 level courses.

\(^{15}\) 6000 Level courses for graduate students only except by special permission – rarely granted.
History/Theory/Criticism (4 cr)
   1 required courses
Technology (8 cr)
   3 required courses
Design (15cr)
   3 design studios
Final Project (8 cr) *
   1 required seminar and 1 required studio
Professional Electives (6 cr) (6000 Level)

* Being Phased-In

Courses and Credit Hours – Professional Content Breakdown (100 credits)

The M.Arch professional degree program consists of 92 required course credits and 8 credits of Final Project. The professional studies curriculum includes a History/Theory sequence, a Technology sequence and a Design sequence within which are integrated computing and drawing components.

History / Theory Sequence (12 credits)

ARCH 5100: History, Theory, Criticism 1 (4cr)
ARCH 5110: History, Theory, Criticism 2 (4cr)
ARCH 6680: History, Theory, Criticism 3 (4cr)

Technology Sequence (27 credits)

ARCH 5140: Structures 1 (3cr)
ARCH 5300: Material & Const. Systems (3cr)
ARCH 5310: Environ. & Eco. Systems (4cr)
ARCH-5150: Structures 2* (3cr)
ARCH-6320: Built Ecologies 1 (3cr)
ARCH-6380: Environmental Parametrics (2cr)
ARCH-6810: Research Des. Seminar (3cr)
ARCH 5360: Bldg. Systems & Environ. (4cr)
ARCH 5340: Materials and Enclosures (2cr)

Professional Practice (6 Credits)

ARCH 5380: Professional Practice 1 (2cr)
ARCH 5390: Professional Practice 2 (2cr)
ARCH 5330: Economics & Architecture (2cr)

Digital Constructs Sequence (4 credits)

ARCH 5160: Digital Constructs 1 (2cr)
ARCH 5170: Digital Constructs 2 (2cr)

Design Sequence (25 credits)

ARCH 5200: Grad. Architecture Design 1 (5cr)
ARCH 5210: Grad. Architecture Design 2 (5cr)
ARCH-6610: Grad. Architecture Design 3 (5cr)
ARCH 6620: Grad. Architecture Design 4 (5cr)
ARCH 6630: Grad. Architecture Design 5 (5cr)
Final Project (8 credits)
  ARCH 6750: Final Proj. Research Seminar (3cr)
  ARCH 6980: Graduate Final Project (5cr)

Professional Electives (8 credits)*
  Professional Elective Courses (2 – 4 credits each) 8 cr

General Electives (10 credits)*
  Elective Courses (2 – 4 credits each) 10 cr

* 6 credits combined total of professional and general electives must be 6000 level courses

Minors and Concentrations

B.Arch students may elect to take

Within the School of Architecture students may take minors in:

  Lighting*
  Architectural Acoustics*
  Built Ecologies* – though not designated minor, complementing core environmental courses with a semester at CASE is effectively a concentration

* Has a clear path for conversion to a co-terminal Masters Degree

Lighting Minor - The minor in lighting gives students the awareness and the confidence to extend their creative work through controlled use of light. The program covers human responses to light, both visual and non-visual, and the means by which light is produced and controlled. Interactions of light with form, texture, and color are examined in the contexts of daylight, electric lighting, and their integration.

Required courses include:

  LGHT 4230 - Lighting Design Credit Hours: 4
  LGHT 4770 - Lighting Technologies and Applications Credit Hours: 4
  LGHT 4840 - Human Factors in Lighting Credit Hours: 3
  LGHT 4940 - Advanced Individual Projects in Lighting Credit Hours: 1 to 6

Architectural Acoustics Minor - The minor in architectural acoustics is open to all Rensselaer students interested in advanced study focusing on the optimization of acoustical quality of performance spaces and other aurally sensitive environments. After completing the minor, the student will be well prepared for an entry level position dealing with acoustics issues in architectural practice, in acoustical consulting, or as a preparation for graduate studies in acoustics, for example in the Graduate Program in Architectural Acoustics at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. The program consists of 16 credits. Proficiency in Calculus I is necessary to comprehend the basics of architectural acoustics.

Required courses include:
ARCH 4840 - Architectural Acoustics 1 Credit Hours: 4
ARCH 4850 - Architectural Acoustics 2 Credit Hours: 4
ARCH 4860 - Applied Psychoacoustics Credit Hours: 3
ARCH 6840 - Engineering Acoustics Credit Hours: 2
ARCH 6890 - Aural Architecture Credit Hours: 3

Built Ecologies “Concentration” - Though not formalized as a concentration, students participating in a semester long program at CASE in New York City participate in a program which themes and structures a 6 credit studio together with courses in ARCH 4170.80 Environmental Parametrics (2 cr) (B.Arch) or ARCH 6380.80 Environmental Parametrics (2 cr) (M.Arch 1), ARCH 4580.80 Materials Systems and Productions (3 cr), other topics relating to sustainability in architecture and the environment. This opportunity is available to both B.Arch and M.arch 1 students. (24 positions annually)

There are no designated concentrations in the B.Arch program

Civil Engineering Minor - Given the close link between architecture and civil engineering, a minor in civil Engineering has been created for architecture students, built on the foundation of the architecture technology sequence.

Required courses include:

- CIVL 2670 - Introduction to Structural Engineering Credit Hours: 4
- CIVL 4070 - Steel Design Credit Hours: 3
- CIVL 4080 - Concrete Design Credit Hours: 3

Plus two additional courses from the following:

- CIVL 2630 - Introduction to Geotechnical Engineering Credit Hours: 3
- CIVL 4010 - Foundation Engineering Credit Hours: 3
- CIVL 4150 - Experimental Soil Mechanics Credit Hours: 3
- CIVL 4270 - Construction Management Credit Hours: 3
- CIVL 4440 - Advanced Structural Analysis Credit Hours: 3

* Architecture students are waived from ARCH 4330 Structures 2

Many additional minors consisting of an approved 16-credit sequence in a particular discipline area and which are available to architecture students include:

- Architectural Acoustics Minor
- Astrobiology Minor
- Astrobiology Minor (Multidisciplinary)
- Astrobiology Minor for Biology Majors
- Astrobiology Minor for Chemistry Majors
- Astrobiology Minor for Geology Majors
- Astronomy Minor
- Astrophysics Minor
- Biochemistry/Biophysics Minor for Biology Majors
- Biochemistry/Biophysics Minor for Biomedical Engineering Majors
• Biochemistry/Biophysics Minor for Chemical Engineering Majors
• Biochemistry/Biophysics Minor for Chemistry Majors
• Biology Minor
• Biomedical Engineering and Management Minor
• Brain and Behavior Minor
• Chemistry Minor
• Chemistry Minor for Non-Chemistry Majors
• Chinese Language Minor
• Civil Engineering Minor
• Cognition Minor
• Cognitive Science Minor
• Communication Minor
• Community and Health Psychology Minor
• Computer and Systems Engineering Minor
• Computer Science Minor
• Economics Minor
• Electrical Engineering Minor
• Electronic Arts Minor
• Entrepreneurship Minor
• Environmental Engineering Minor
• Environmental Science Minor
• Finance Minor
• Games Studies Minor
• Gender, Science, and Technology Minor
• General Psychology Minor
• Geology Minor
• Human Factors Minor
• Human-Computer Interaction (HCI) Minor
• Hydrogeology Minor
• Industrial/Organizational Psychology Minor
• Information Technology and Web Science Minor
• Interschool Minor in Energy
• Interschool Minor in Energy (SHSS)
• Lighting Minor
• Literature Minor
• Logic, Computation, and Mind Minor
• Management Minor
• Marketing Minor
• Materials Science and Engineering Minor
• Mathematics Minor
• Music Minor
• Nuclear Engineering Minor
• Philosophy Minor
• Philosophy of Human Values and Society Minor
• Philosophy of Logic, Computation, and Mind Minor
• Philosophy of Science and Technology Minor
• Physics Minor
• Professional Writing Minor
• Psychology Minor
• Science, Technology, and Society Minor
• Social Psychology Minor
• Sport Psychology Minor
• Studio Arts Minor
M. Arch Concentrations
Concentrations in the M.Arch that are realized in the final year:
- Ecological Urbanism
- Environmental Parametrics

Concentrations in these areas are built on the foundation of a semester at CASE and realized in their third year Final Project Directed Research Studios.

Minors are not offered as a part of graduate studies

Minimum Number of Semester Credit Hours

Bachelor of Architecture (B.Arch) - The standard curriculum template requires students to take between 16 and 18 credits per semester. Students taking less than 12 credits in a given semester are classified as part-time students. Full time students may register for up to 20 credits in a given semester before special permissions for any overload is required. This is rarely granted. A sample template is provided below.

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A sample template of the B.Arch curriculum structure is provided below. Special circumstances such as dual majors, international program participation, etc., may involve some variation in the sequence with which the curriculum is fulfilled however, the required courses and meeting all the requirements of the curriculum are required for graduation.

**First Year**

- ARCH 2150 - The Ethos of Architecture Credit Hours: 2
- ARCH 2160 - Architectural Media Credit Hours: 2
- ARCH 2510 - Materials and Design Credit Hours: 2
• ARCH 2520 - Digital Constructs 1  Credit Hours: 2
• ARCH 2800 - Architectural Design Studio 1  Credit Hours: 5
• MATH 1500 - Calculus for Architecture, Management, and HASS  Credit Hours: 4

Spring [17 cr]

• ARCH 2370 - Energy, Comfort and Ecology  Credit Hours: 2
• ARCH 2530 - Digital Constructs 2  Credit Hours: 2
• ARCH 2810 - Architectural Design Studio 2  Credit Hours: 5
• ARCH 4090 - Architectural Case Studies  Credit Hours: 2
• ARCH 4120 - Modernity in Culture, Civilization, and Architecture 1  Credit Hours: 2
• PHYS 1050 - General Physics  Credit Hours: 4

Second Year

Fall [16 cr]

• ARCH 2330 - Structures 1  Credit Hours: 3
• (See footnote 3 below)
• ARCH 2350 - Construction Systems  Credit Hours: 2
• ARCH 2540 - Digital Constructs 3  Credit Hours: 2
• ARCH 2820 - Architectural Design Studio 3  Credit Hours: 5
• ARCH 4100 - An Architectural Genealogy 1  Credit Hours: 2
• (See footnote 2 below)
• ARCH 4130 - Modernity in Culture, Civilization, and Architecture 2  Credit Hours: 2

Spring [17 cr]

• HASS Elective  Credit Hours: 4
  (See footnote 1 below)
• ARCH 2360 - Environmental and Ecological Systems  Credit Hours: 4
• (See footnote 3 below)
• ARCH 2550 - Digital Constructs 4  Credit Hours: 2
• ARCH 2830 - Architectural Design Studio 4  Credit Hours: 5
• ARCH 4110 - An Architectural Genealogy 2  Credit Hours: 2
• (See footnote 2 below)

Third Year

Fall [18 cr]

• HASS Elective  Credit Hours: 4
• MATH Elective  Credit Hours: 4
• ARCH 4330 - Structures 2  Credit Hours: 3
• (See footnote 3 below)
• ARCH 4560 - Materials and Enclosures  Credit Hours: 2
• ARCH 4820 - Comprehensive Design Studio  Credit Hours: 5

Spring [17 cr]

• ARCH 4150 - Contemporary Design Approaches  Credit Hours: 2
• ARCH 4540 - Professional Practice 1  Credit Hours: 2
- (See footnote 4 below)
- ARCH 4740 - Building Systems and Environment **Credit Hours:** 4
- (See footnote 3 below)
- ARCH 4830 - Design Development Studio **Credit Hours:** 5
- BIOL 1010 - Introduction to Biology **Credit Hours:** 3
- BIOL 1015 - Introduction to Biology Laboratory **Credit Hours:** 1

### Fourth Year

**Fall [17 cr]**

- Professional Elective **Credit Hours:** 2
- Professional Elective **Credit Hours:** 2
- HASS Elective **Credit Hours:** 4
- ARCH 4050 - Cities and Their Territories **Credit Hours:** 2
- ARCH 4550 - Professional Practice 2 **Credit Hours:** 2
- ARCH 4770 - Architectural Design Studio 5 **Credit Hours:** 5

**Spring [17 cr]**

- Professional Elective **Credit Hours:** 2
- Professional Elective **Credit Hours:** 2
- Elective **Credit Hours:** 4
- HASS Elective **Credit Hours:** 4
- ARCH 4780 - Architectural Design Studio 6 **Credit Hours:** 5

### Fifth Year

**Fall [18 cr]**

- HASS Elective **Credit Hours:** 4
- Elective **Credit Hours:** 4
- Professional Elective **Credit Hours:** 2
- ARCH 4790 - Architectural Design Studio 7 **Credit Hours:** 5
- ARCH 4910 - Final Project Design Research Seminar **Credit Hours:** 3

**Spring [17 cr]**

- Science Elective **Credit Hours:** 4
- Free Elective **Credit Hours:** 4
- Professional Elective **Credit Hours:** 2
- ARCH 4590 - Economics and Architecture **Credit Hours:** 2
- ARCH 4920 - Final Project Design Studio **Credit Hours:** 5

The degree requires 171 credit hours.

Note that studios are sequential with the exception of the Design Development Studio, which may be taken any time after Integrated Design Schematic Studio and before Final Project Design Studio. Students are required to complete 8 credits in Math, 12 in Science, and 20 in Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences from an extensive list of course offerings (see Institute core requirements for greater detail). In addition, students have 12 credits of professional electives, and 12 credits of free electives which may be
used to further focus on a concentrated area of study, pursue a minor or dual major, or as a means of further broadening exposure to a range of disciplines.

Footnotes:

1. HASS Institute communications intensive requirement (see Class Hour Schedule for approved courses); Final Project Design Studio will fulfill the Architecture major communications intensive requirement.
2. Four credits of the HASS core requirements are embedded within the Architectural Genealogy sequence: ARCH 4100 and ARCH 4110.
3. Four credits of the Institute core Science requirements are embedded within the technology sequence: ARCH 2330, ARCH 2360, ARCH 4330, and ARCH 4740.
4. Taken in the same semester as ARCH 4830.

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- ARCH 5100 - History, Theory, Criticism 1 **Credit Hours: 4**
- ARCH 5140 - Structures **Credit Hours: 3**
- ARCH 5160 - Digital Constructs 1 **Credit Hours: 2**
- ARCH 5200 - Graduate Architecture Design 1 **Credit Hours: 5**
- ARCH 5300 - Materials and Construction Systems **Credit Hours: 3**

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Spring [17 cr]
ARCH 5110 - History, Theory, Criticism 2 Credit Hours: 4
ARCH 5170 - Digital Constructs 2 Credit Hours: 2
ARCH 5210 - Graduate Architecture 2 Credit Hours: 5
ARCH 5310 - Environment and Ecological Systems Credit Hours: 4
ARCH 5330 - Economics and Architecture Credit Hours: 2

Second Year

Fall [16 cr]

ARCH 5150 - Structures 2 Credit Hours: 3
ARCH 6320 - Built Ecologies 1 Credit Hours: 3
ARCH 6610 - Graduate Architecture Design 3 Credit Hours: 5
ARCH 6380 - Graduate Environmental Parametrics Credit Hours: 2
ARCH 6810 - Research Design Seminar Credit Hours: 3

Spring [17 cr]

Professional Elective Credit Hours: 4
ARCH 5360 - Building Systems and the Environment Credit Hours: 4
ARCH 6620 - Graduate Architecture Design 4: Credit Hours: 5
ARCH 6680 - History, Theory, Criticism 3 Credit Hours: 4

Third Year

Fall [16 cr]

General Electives Credit Hours: 4
ARCH 5380 - Professional Practice 1 Credit Hours: 2
ARCH 5340 - Materials and Enclosures Credit Hours: 2
ARCH 6630 - Graduate Architecture Design 5: Credit Hours: 5
ARCH 6750 - Final Project Design Research Seminar Credit Hours: 3

Spring [17 cr]
• Professional Elective Credit Hours: 4
• General Electives Credit Hours: 6
• ARCH 6948 - Graduate Final Project Credit Hours: 5
• ARCH 5390 - Professional Practice 2 Credit Hours: 2

Off-Campus Programs, Course Requirements, and Length of Stay
(See Section II.1.2 for Description of Facilities and Resources)

1. Study Abroad Programs - International study is a defining aspect of Rensselaer’s architectural education. The School of Architecture offers international semester long programs of study in Italy, India, and China. These programs are fully integrated with the requirements of the undergraduate degree and have been established in three world cities that will challenge and help to define the future of architecture. Each of these programs is open, by competitive application, to students in their fifth to eighth semester. Limited numbers of students (B.Arch.) are selected each year on the basis of academic accomplishment. In addition to a Rensselaer faculty member who travels with and directs the program, adjunct faculty in the host city or institution also provide instruction. There is a program fee for participation in each of the international programs, which are described briefly below.

A description of the facilities can be found in section I.1.2 Physical Resources.

Italy Program— Fall semester annually (semester long) - The Italian studies program includes a design studio based part of the time in Turin and part of the time in Rome, an examination of the architectural development of Turin and Rome, courses in Italian language and culture, and travel throughout Italy. The program seeks to deepen appreciation of historic cities and the layers of culture that have played a seminal role in the development of Western culture and architecture. The Turin workshop component involves collaboration with students and faculty from the Polytechnic of Turin. The courses that the students take include studio [5 or 6 cr] and the following courses:

ARCH 4964.50 Professional Elective 2 cr
ARCH 4966.50 Urban & Arch History of Rome 4 cr
ARCH 4972.50 Art and Culture in Italy 3 cr

Plus one of the following:

ARCH 4973.50 Historic Preservation 3 cr
ARCH 4975.50 Modern & Contemporary Rome 1870-Present 3 cr

India Program— Alternate spring semesters (semester long) - The program is based in the School of Architecture CEPT at Ahmedabad, India, a highly respected school for the study of architecture and urbanism. The program for B.Arch students offers joint studios in design with CEPT faculty and students, and travel through northern and southern India. It offers students the opportunity to travel, study, and apply the lessons learned from Indian architecture and history and theory within the context of a major research center. The courses that the students take include studio [5 or 6 cr] and the following courses:

ARCH 4965.70 India Discovery 4 cr
ARCH 4970.70 Architecture & the Urban Condition in India 2 cr
ARCH 4974.70 The Culture and Civilization of India 2 cr
ARCH 4976.70 Topics in Architecture 2 cr
China Program— Alternate spring semesters (semester long) - The semester in Shanghai is based at the School of Architecture at Tongji University, one of the great institutions of China. The program for B.Arch students offers joint design studios with Chinese faculty and students, courses in Chinese history and culture and short and long-term architectural study tours through central China. The courses that the students take include studio [5 or 6 cr] and the following courses:

- ARCH 4966.60 Chinese Architecture and Urbanism 4 cr
- ARCH 4974.60 Chinese Lang & Culture 4 cr
- ARCH 4975.60 Calligraphy painting 2 cr

In addition, the School of Architecture offers many not for credit short-term summer and between-semester study programs to places of special architectural interest. In recent years, these have included visits to Shanghai, Hong Kong, Shenzhen, London, Paris, Berlin, Stuttgart, Tokyo, Osaka, Lausanne, Buenos Aires, and San Paolo, Madrid, Seville, and Barcelona.

2. New York Program at CASE— M.Arch: Fall semesters; B.Arch: Spring Semesters (semester long)
A semester long program located in New York City is based at Rensselaer’s Center for Architecture Science and Ecology [CASE] hosted by the global architecture firm Skidmore, Owings & Merrill’s (SOM). The program allows both B.Arch (spring semesters) and M.Arch students (fall semesters) to study in a collaborative interdisciplinary research environment focused on the development of advanced next-generation building systems and sustainable technologies. The courses that the students take include studio [5 or 6 cr] and the following courses:

Master of Architecture (fall only):
- ARCH-5150: Structures 2* (3CR)
- ARCH-6320: Built Ecologies 1 * (3CR)
- ARCH-6380: Environmental Parametrics (2CR)
- ARCH-6810: Research Des. Seminar (3CR)
* taken via real-time two-way A/V distance delivery between NYC and Troy campus

Bachelor of Architecture (spring only)
- ARCH 4170.80 Environmental Parametrics 3 cr
- ARCH 4580.80 Materials Systems and Productions 3 cr
- ARCH 4936.80 Research Investigations 4 cr

Plus one of the following:
- ARCH 4963.80 Built Ecologies 2 3 cr
- ARCH 4964.80 Advanced Integrated Systems Development 4 cr

Other Degree Programs

Bachelor of Science Building
4-year 129 credit pre-professional degree

Master of Architecture II (Post-Professional Degree)
1-year, 30 credit post-professional
(for students with a prior professional architecture degree or international equivalent)

- The catalog and promotion material read as follows: "The M.Arch.II is not a professional degree and will not lead to the establishment of a license to practice architecture in the United States or an NCARB certificate."

- This degree is in the process of being changes to an M.S. in Architecture (see below)

**Master of Lighting**

1-year, 30-credit degree for qualified applicants with a wide variety of backgrounds (applicants may or may not have practical experience in the field of lighting)

**Master of Science in Architectural Science**

1-year, 30 credit degree for qualified applicants with a variety of backgrounds depending on the concentration. For the Architectural Acoustics concentration, the degree is designated for applicants with backgrounds in engineering, architecture, physics, music, computer science, recording engineering, and other areas. For the Built Ecologies concentration, applicants from a wide variety of backgrounds are eligible.

Concentrations in:
- Architectural Acoustics
- Built Ecologies
- Lighting

**Ph.D. in Architectural Science**

72 credit degree with a dissertation for qualified applicants with a variety of backgrounds depending on the concentration. For the Architectural Acoustics concentration, the degree is designated for applicants with backgrounds in engineering, architecture, physics, music, computer science, recording engineering, and other areas. For Built Ecologies, the degree option is targeted toward candidates with a professional degree in architecture or engineering and qualified candidates with degrees in related design fields of science and the humanities, including but not limited to Industrial and Urban Design. For Lighting, applicants from a wide variety of backgrounds are eligible.

Concentrations in:
- Architectural Acoustics
- Built Ecologies
- Lighting

**Online Learning Formats** - To make opportunity for second year M.Arch students to participate in the Built Ecologies program at CASE in New York City the ARCH 5150 Structures 2 course is synchronously taught at the Troy and CASE location. Using Rensselaer’s DCC337 facility and tech support to establish a two-way audio/video link, downstate students are able to participate in real time. Multiple cameras focus on the professor, students, the overhead and/or work he wishes to show. CASE based students can ask question through a student helper present in the room. They travel upstate for the hands-on component comprised of structural model-making and in-class testing to failure on the Instron Testing Machine located in the Fabrication Laboratory. They do final project presentation through video stream from NYC.
The graduate-level Built Ecologies 1 course (no SPC's associated) also benefits from the participation of both upstate and downstate students through a real-time two-way delivery of the courses. These courses are taken by the B.Arch and M.Arch students as professional electives.

**Progress toward changing the title of the M.Arch II**

The School passed a vote of the curriculum committee to change the curriculum and title of the M.Arch II program to an M.S. in Architecture. The recommendation was approved by the Dean, passed by the Faculty Senate Curriculum Committee and following a review by the Office of Graduate Education, has moved to the President's Office for signature and will be forwarded momentarily to New York State Education Department.

**Part Two (II) Section 3 – Evaluation of Preparatory Education**

**Bachelor of Architecture Admission Requirements and Decisions** - At the undergraduate level the School of Architecture offers a five-year Bachelor of Architecture degree. Approximately 68-72 students are admitted directly into the program each year. As a professional program designed for those ready to begin architectural study in the first year, admissions decisions are based on the following criteria: high school background including a high standard of accomplishment in science and math, overall academic excellence, creativity (demonstrated through a portfolio of work in the arts and other associated areas), and clear evidence of an inspired individual committed to receiving a rigorous exploratory and comprehensive education.

The School strongly encourages visiting the campus and the Greene Building, home of the School of Architecture, along with a faculty interview. Architecture candidates are required to submit a creative portfolio with their application. The School of Architecture prefers that applicants use the online portfolio system [https://rpi.slideroom.com/](https://rpi.slideroom.com/) to upload digital files. A digital submission makes it easier for all applicants to format their material and accelerates the evaluation process for prospective students applying as freshmen or transfers into the B. Arch. Professional Program. Students with unusually strong academic profiles may be reviewed without the portfolio (GPA of 3.5) but such cases are exceptionally rare and in all cases a portfolio is strongly preferred. For portfolio requirements visit [http://admissions.rpi.edu/undergraduate/visit/tours.html](http://admissions.rpi.edu/undergraduate/visit/tours.html).

The Institute’s Admissions Office handles the admission of all undergraduate and graduate students. A comprehensive listing of requirements is available at [http://www.rpi.edu/dept/admissions/index.html](http://www.rpi.edu/dept/admissions/index.html). In
addition, two Architecture faculty members rate the portfolios (http://www.arch.rpi.edu/apply/undergraduate/) of all undergraduate applicants. An averaged portfolio “grade” is provided to the Admissions Office to be factored into the admission decision.

**Master of Architecture Program Admission Requirements and Decisions** - At the graduate level the School of Architecture offers a three-year Master of Architecture degree. Approximately 10 students are admitted directly into the program each year. As a professional program designed for those who have completed a non-professional Bachelor’s degree, the admissions process is based on a combination of educational background (Bachelor’s degree), a personal statement and three letters of recommendation by former professors and or professionals familiar with the candidates’ history and potential for success at the graduate level. Additionally, the design portfolio plays a central role in the determining the acceptance of a candidate’s application. Portfolios and all application material are reviewed through an online system used by the School of Graduate Education at Rensselaer. Finally, the Institute policy requires the completion of the G.R.E. with top percentile scores. Candidates must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 from their undergraduate Institution. International students from non-English speaking countries must complete the TOEFL with top percentile scores and in some cases participate in an ‘English as a Second Language’ interview with non-architecture faculty councilors.

**The Process by which Preparatory or Pre-professional Education is Evaluated** - Incoming freshmen may obtain advanced placement or academic credit in one of the following ways: 1) Advanced Placement Exams, which are given by the College Entrance Examination Board; 2) Transfer Credit, which is granted for work done at an accredited college prior to admission to Rensselaer and was not applied to the students high school degree completion requirements; or 3) completion of an acceptable advanced-level course in high school that was not applied to the students high school degree completion requirements. Incoming freshman may use up to 32 credits of AP/transfer credits. Typically, advanced placement credit is given for general education requirements, not for Architecture studio or other architecture courses responsible for NAAB student performance criteria. In some cases, a student may receive academic credit for college-level proficiency as established by a validation examination. Students wishing to do so must contact the Registrar’s Office and the Advising & Learning Assistance Center for procedures and necessary forms.

**Transfer Students** - The School of Architecture welcomes students who have completed general studies and/or architecture coursework at other schools to apply as transfer students to Rensselaer. Just as it is for applicants to the first year, the credentials of each student must meet the standards of the Institute and School and are reviewed individually prior to admission. Upon acceptance, transfer students are placed at an appropriate level in the professional program based on a review of their transcript, course descriptions, and portfolio of work. Each course submitted for transfer credit is evaluated by the appropriate faculty in the department responsible for that particular content area on the basis of the Institution attended, contact and credit hours, the course description, content areas covered, and grade received. That faculty member makes a decision whether full or partial credit will be given and whether a specific required course in the degree program could be waived, or if credits transferred in will count for elective or professional elective credits. Admissions submits the information to the registrar’s office to update the student’s record. For Architecture courses, the structures professor familiar with the course content and related student performance criteria reviews structures courses, the faculty member in charge of the environmental courses reviews those courses, the senior faculty member responsible for the History/Theory/Criticism courses reviews Architectural History courses and the Associate Dean, who teaches technology integration and the integrated studio and is familiar with the SPC’s associated with the courses, evaluates any technology and design courses.

Transfer students entering Architecture from unrelated degree programs typically begin in the summer when they can take the first two studios in an intensive format. In this way, they (if they are rising
sophomores) catch up in the design studio sequence and are able to enter the second year studio in the fall. Transfer credits for these students are typically not in architecture.

**Transfer Credits** - In all cases students applying for ‘advance standing’ in the Master of Architecture program must be admitted into the program through the admission requirements listed above. ‘Advance Standing’ is considered only for students with a degree from a pre-professional architecture program (typically known as a 4+2 program) from a NAAB accredited school in the United States. Rarely, a candidate may be considered who has completed a rigorous Bachelor of Technology in Architecture degree or a B.S. in Architecture. In all cases, the school evaluates the courses being considered for content equivalency and to insure that general education requirements and prerequisite SPC’s were met. The process of evaluation is divided into two categories, design courses and technical + HTC courses.

The evaluation of the applicant's transcript and additional course descriptions provided by the student to the SoA provide the basis for evaluation of these courses. In each case, the faculty member/coordinate responsible for the course reviews the incoming student’s transcript and course description, along with examples of work produced in the course where necessary.

**Design Courses:**

Design courses are reviewed by the Master of Architecture’s program Director and the Director of Graduate Programs with respect to the following student performance criteria on the basis of: the degree granting Institution, contact and credit hours, the course description, content areas covered, grade received and an evaluation of the applicant's portfolio. The review serves as the basis for assigning equivalency. In addition, many of the SPC’s covered in these courses are also reinforced in subsequent design studios in the M.Arch. program.

**Arch 5200 Graduate Architecture Design 1**
A.3: Investigative Skills  
A.4: Architectural Design Skills  
A.5: Ordering Systems  
A.6: Use of Precedents  
A.8: Cultural Diversity & Social Equity  
B.1: Pre-Design  
B.2: Site Design

**Arch 5210 Graduate Architecture Design 2**
(formerly Arch 2630)  
A.4: Architectural Design Skills  
A.5: Ordering Systems  
A.6: Use of Precedents  
B.2: Site Design

**Technical / Professional courses:**

Technology and Professional courses are reviewed by the area coordinators of the Structures, Building Systems and Pro-practice courses with respect to fulfillment of the associated SPC’s on the basis of the degree granting Institution, contact and credit hours, the course description, content areas covered, and grade received.

**Arch 5140: Structures 1**  
B.5: Structural Systems

**Arch 5300: Material and Construction Systems**  
B.7: Building Envelope Systems and Assemblies  
B.8: Building Materials & Assemblies

**Arch 5310: Environ. and Ecological Systems**  
B.6: Environmental Systems

**Arch 5330: Economics and Architecture**  
no associated SPC’s
Arch 5160: Digital Constructs 1  no associated SPC’s
Arch 5170: Digital Constructs 2  no associated SPC’s

History Courses:

History/Theory/ Criticism courses are reviewed by the area coordinator of the History/Theory courses with respect to fulfillment of the associated SPC’s on the basis of the degree granting Institution, contact and credit hours, the course description, content areas covered, and grade received.

Arch 5100: History, Theory, Criticism 1  A.7: History and Global Culture
A.8: Cultural Diversity & Social Equity
Arch 5110: History, Theory, Criticism 2  A.7: History and Global Culture
A.8: Cultural Diversity & Social Equity

Course equivalency approval is recorded and filed with the incoming student’s Plan of Study. A record of the transcript, course descriptions are maintained in the students’ Plan of Study file. Additionally a record of the review and verification of the course descriptions and equivalency evaluation signed by the area coordinators are recorded in this file.

Part Two (II) Section 4 – Public Information

The required list of URL’s noted in the APR is in Section 4, on page 114.

Bachelor of Architecture (B. Arch) Curriculum - (catalog description)

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This five-year undergraduate professional program is a first professional degree accredited by the National Architectural Accreditation Board. The program is for a limited number of qualified students committed to the study of architecture. These students are admitted directly to the professional degree program and begin studies in architecture in the first year.

The National Architectural Accreditation Board (NAAB) accredits the Rensselaer School of Architecture’s Bachelor of Architecture program and its Master of Architecture program. Pursuant to the requirement of the NAAB, the following statement is included in the catalog:

In the United States, most state registration boards require a degree from an accredited professional degree program as a prerequisite for licensure. The National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB), which is the sole agency authorized to accredit U.S. professional degree programs in architecture, recognizes three types of degrees: the Bachelor of Architecture, the Master of Architecture, and the Doctor of Architecture. A program may be granted a 6-year, 3-year, or 2-year term of accreditation, depending on the extent of its conformance with established educational standards.

Doctor of Architecture and Master of Architecture degree programs may consist of a pre-professional undergraduate degree and a professional graduate degree that, when earned sequentially, constitute an accredited professional education. However, the pre-professional degree is not, by itself, recognized as an accredited degree.
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, School of Architecture offers the following NAAB accredited degree programs:

B.Arch. (171 undergraduate credits)
M.Arch I (pre-professional Degree + 112 credits)

Next accreditation visit for all programs: 2016

The above can also be found on the School of Architecture web site: http://www.arch.rpi.edu/school/accreditation-statement/

Bachelor of Architecture - (catalog description)

http://catalog.rpi.edu/preview_entity.php?catoid=13&ent_oid=694&returnto=308

The five-year Bachelor of Architecture (B.Arch.) curriculum centers on the design studio and culminates in a year-long research and design project. Theoretical, technological, and computational and historical issues are progressively integrated into studio projects beginning in the first year. Projects range in scale and form, but relate to issues in contemporary culture with a focus on globalization and urban contexts.

This degree program is described in detail below.

Students in the School of Architecture undergraduate program are required to complete courses in the sciences, humanities, arts and social sciences as part of the Institute core requirements. The core courses are structured to provide exposure and breadth of education. A series of professional electives and free elective courses provide students the opportunity to pursue specific interests in greater depth, to minor, or to pursue other special interests.

In addition to Institute-wide academic regulations outlined earlier in this catalog, the following pertain to the bachelor’s program in architecture:

**Advancement in Design**—Students not passing a required design course (including Final Project 1 and 2) may not advance to the next course in the design sequence. The architecture faculty will review students earning grades of D or lower in required design courses. A student earning a D or lower in any subsequent required design course must either repeat the course or take another course specified by the faculty before advancing to the next course in the design sequence. Students who fail to earn a grade of C or better in the repeated or specified course, or who earn a third grade of D or lower in design, may not continue in the design sequence. A student earning an F in any course must repeat the course in addition to completing any remedial actions specified by the faculty after a second grade of D or lower in a required design studio.

**Grades of “IP”**—In Final Project 1 or 2 IP grades will convert to a grade of “F” three years after the issue of the “IP” grade. Students applying for readmittance to complete Final Project 1 or 2 after three years will be required to restart the three-course, 12-credit final project sequence (including Methods Seminar (1 credit). (This regulation applies to students who took Final Project 1 and/or 2 prior to 2009).

**Retention of Student Design Work**—All student drawings and models produced as part of the instructional program are the property of the Institute. The School of Architecture reserves the right to obtain any or all work produced by the students in the school for a temporary or permanent time period.
Rensselaer’s B.Arch. program incorporates and interconnects the following important elements:

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Design—Design and the design studio form the core of all architecture degree programs. The design studio brings together the many aspects of architecture and presents a wide range of design issues, beginning with the development of the tools, skills, and judgments that underline the production of architecture.

The skills area emphasizes that the hand is as important as the computer in the development and representation of ideas. The ability to freely manipulate space, surface, structure, and texture is central to the formation of architecture. The tools component develops confidence in the technologies that form architecture and are essential support to creativity. Finally, the judgments aspect is developed through projects premised on the continual evolution of architecture as a manifestation of the social, economic, political, and technological forces within a culture. All design studios draw broadly on the exceptional range of urban and architectural contexts near the campus; from the historic towns in upstate New York to great cities of the region such as New York, Boston, Montreal, and Philadelphia.

In the design studio there are no singular, provable, or perfect answers to any of the problems presented. Students explore and develop their design proposals based on their growing knowledge of architecture and their emerging abilities. Early semester-long studios introduce students to a full-range of issues, skills, and judgments encountered in design and initiate and reinforce design as critical inquiry. The remaining studios focus on significant concerns in architecture. They are “vertical” in that they include students in different class years, and present choices of projects and faculty. Among these are the Comprehensive Design Studio and the Design Development Studio, in which projects are subjected to detailed structural, mechanical, construction materials, and professional practice considerations.

History and Theory—A required multi-course sequence presents the diversity of architectural works and ideas relative to the contexts within which architecture emerges and exposes students to key historical and theoretical issues in the discipline. Following this sequence, students may take additional advanced architectural history/theory electives as a part of their professional or free electives.

Technology and Building Science—Technological issues are introduced from the beginning as essential to the conception and creation, delivery, and performance of architecture. New technologies can also be understood as generative of both form and inhabitable space. A series of six required technology courses considers both qualitative and quantitative views of building technologies. These include statics and strength of materials; basic structures and framing; design of wood, steel, and concrete structures; criteria for selecting building materials and systems; environmental and ecological systems; building systems, including heating, ventilation, air conditioning, plumbing, and electrical systems; sensory environments, including the luminous, acoustical, and tactile dimensions of space; codes and contract documents. Following this sequence, students may take additional advanced technology and building science electives as a part of their professional or free elective selections. Integration of technological considerations is central to many of the studios with a focused emphasis on integrating building technologies especially in the required upper level Design Development Studio.

Computational Design—Computational proficiency is central to the future of architecture. From the first year, students are able to expand their knowledge and skill through course work, which integrates computing concepts and applications—in some cases within the design studios—and through independent experimentation in the many computer labs at the School and Institute. In addition to the general computation labs, the School offers high-end multimedia environments within the many design studios. These labs are also complimented with a commitment to equipping the fabrication center with the latest and most sophisticated tools for fabrication and physical prototyping of design work. Currently available is a range of equipment varying from a 3axis CNC mill, two laser cutters, a 3D printer, and vacuum forming as well as access to water and plasma cutters. Students have access to the latest in three-dimensional design software, critical visualization tools, and more specific evaluation based
software.
These elements are provided through both required courses as well as many professional electives and topics in such areas as architectural and urban history and theory, technology, computing, building economics, computational design, community design, practice and management, architectural lighting, and acoustics in architecture. Professional degree students must complete at least 12 credits from these offerings by either building on a specific interest or by sampling the breadth and diversity inherent in the field. In addition to regularly offered electives (described in the back of this catalog), the faculty offers a number of topics or experimental courses as professional electives. Sample courses include, but are not limited to:

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The five-year B.Arch. program concludes with a year-long individually developed and comprehensive final project in the context of optional research studio and thematic contexts provided by faculty. The first semester of the final project integrates a Research Methods seminar. An integrated design research phase continues throughout the first and the second semesters.

The final project is an opportunity to develop a point of view about architecture and its place in the world; to question conventions, habitual responses, and routine approaches to architectural design; and to investigate issues that the student sees as significant to architecture.

Bachelor of Architecture (web description [http://www.arch.rpi.edu/academic/undergraduate-barch/](http://www.arch.rpi.edu/academic/undergraduate-barch/))

The undergraduate professional program is five years in length and leads to the Bachelor of Architecture, a first professional degree accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB). The students are highly qualified and undertake their architectural studies from the very beginning of their first year. Situated within the broader context of Rensselaer, the School of Architecture also draws widely
upon other professional programs to build a collaborative interdisciplinary approach to design. Upon admission there are no further junctures in the program that require additional admission decisions.

Equipment, Supplies, and Travel: Most studio courses do not require textbooks, but rely heavily on software, printing, and modeling and students should anticipate costs associated with the purchase of materials. First-year students will have an opportunity to purchase a basic kit with the tools, etc. needed for their design studio. A technology fee is assessed to cover some, but not all, of the software and services provided to the students. Travel and field trips to nearby cities are also a regular and strategic part of the design curriculum. Students should also be prepared to cover costs associated with regional travel.

III. 1.1. Annual Statistical Reports:


III.2 Interim Progress Reports
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Self-Assessment Policies and Objectives - Self-assessment at Rensselaer is highly organized at multiple levels and tied to outcomes with the objectives of realizing our mission, preventing mission creep, maintaining pace and relevance with respect to changing contexts (cultural, social, intellectual, professional, knowledge, etc.) and continual improvement.

Online Digital Measures Procedure - Self-assessment occurs at every level from individual faculty members, to courses, and programs. Each semester, as outlined in I.1.5 long-range planning, individual faculty members are required to self-assess their teaching and course(s) through an online system [Digital Measures]. For faculty whose course outcomes are linked to program outcomes (in Architecture’s case, many are related to the NAAB SPCs) this is particularly important. During the syllabus preparation time faculty receive an individualized communication reminding them of those program level outcomes that are linked to their course. Upon entering Digital Measures [DM] they will see the program level outcomes that are associated with their course and are expected to reflect them in their syllabi through
course learning outcomes that are associated with assignments and evaluation (grading) criteria. Upon completion of the course, and after receiving a summary of student evaluations, faculty members are required to complete a course assessment form addressing each learning outcome inside the Digital Measures system and to propose what actions they will take the next time the course is offered. Achievement of program level outcomes is assessed periodically through the curriculum committee, and program faculty together with the Dean with respect to the programs’ mission and multi-year planning objectives. The review and assessment of the focus and pedagogy is also periodically undertaken though curriculum reform initiatives.

Yearly Faculty Performance Evaluations - The Dean annually executes a performance evaluation of each full-time faculty member in the areas of teaching, research/scholarship, and service. Following the development and submission of a self-assessment, faculty members meet individually with the Dean to discuss their progress in each of the areas. They later receive a written summary of his evaluation.

Student –Course and Instructor Evaluations - In addition to the Digital Measures program that allows faculty members to review and reflect on the successes or areas that need improvement in their courses, the Institute also employs student course and instructor evaluations. Prior to giving the students the opportunity to log on and fill out the course evaluation, the faculty are given the opportunity to include categories in the evaluation that are specific to each of the courses that they teach. Evaluations forms are given electronically to students near the end of each semester. The results of the course evaluations are shared with the individual faculty member after the semester has concluded. The statistical summary of the course evaluations, which rates the teaching and the course separately, is generally seen as valuable.

Institutional and Program-Level Assessment - Institutional and program-level assessment is ongoing through annual performance planning of all portfolios including the five schools. Program level assessment is triggered by the Institute Assessment Committee. It requires all schools and departments develop and submit program level outcomes for each degree-granting program. Subsequently, program level re-assessment is triggered by an accreditation cycle such as ABET, or NAAB, or may be voluntarily undertaken as was the case for the B. Arch and M. Arch programs in 2013 as outlined above in I.1.5 Long Range Planning. On a ten-year cycle the Institute is reviewed by Middle States Commission on Higher Education with a focus on course learning, program and Institutional level outcomes and assessment.

Academic Integrity (e.g., cheating and plagiarism)
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“Intellectual integrity is critical to the foundation of all academic work. Academic dishonesty therefore, is considered a serious matter and will be addressed as such,” says the Institute’s official policy (see http://www.rpi.edu/dept/provost/Dishones.pdf). The Institute takes academic integrity very seriously, and addresses the matter in both faculty and student policies and procedures. The Institute policy, which has been in effect since 1993, defines academic integrity and provides procedures for faculty to respond to cases of perceived student academic dishonesty.

In addition, the Dean of Students Office addresses Academic Integrity on its website (see http://doso.rpi.edu/update.do?artcenterkey=676). The website explains that students found responsible for committing academic dishonesty may be subject to grade penalties and/or disciplinary action as described in the 2014-2016 Rensselaer Handbook of Student Rights & Responsibilities (http://www.rpi.edu/dept/doso/resources/judicial/docs/2014-2016RPIHandbookofStudentRightsandResponsibilitiesAUGUST2014.pdf). The Student Handbook describes various types of academic dishonesty, including Academic Fraud, Collaboration, Copying, Cribbing, Fabrication, Plagiarism, Sabotage, and Substitution, as well as the procedures in which faculty and students engage once an accusation of dishonesty has been made. The website includes a form to
be filed with the Dean of Students when making a report of alleged dishonesty. A chart showing the 
process for addressing dishonesty violations is also provided.

The Office of Graduate Education also addresses Academic Integrity in its publication, *The Rensselaer 
Graduate Student Supplement to the Rensselaer Student Handbook of Rights & Responsibilities,* (see 
http://rpi.edu/dept/grad/docs/The%20Graduate%20Student%20Supplement%20.pdf). The *Supplement* 
discusses student responsibility, scholarly misconduct, and procedures for dealing with students accused 
of academic dishonesty. The Supplement includes notices (page 8) that “…any student enrolled at 
Rensselaer who is suspended or expelled for violation of the grounds for disciplinary action as stated in 
the Rensselaer Handbook of Student Rights and Responsibilities will have such action noted on the 
student’s official Rensselaer transcript and include the effective date of the action. In either case, 
suspension or expulsion, the notation shall remain permanently on the student’s transcript.”

The *Supplement* also discusses expectations for faculty and course supervisors to take actions to prevent 
violations of academic integrity. The *Supplement* says (page 8), “The instructor or research advisor is 
expected to outline his or her particular standards in courses and scholarly pursuits in which either the 
instructor or student considers proper definition of scholarly misconduct to be open to interpretation. An 
example for which such definition seems particularly necessary would be collaboration on out-of-class 
assignments.”

In the School of Architecture and throughout the Institute, faculty are required to add the following 
statement onto their course syllabi, which are distributed to students:

"Student-teacher relationships are built on trust. For example, students must trust that 
teachers have made appropriate decisions about the structure and content of the 
courses they teach, and teachers must trust that the assignments that students turn in 
are their own. Acts that violate this trust undermine the educational process. The 
Rensselaer Handbook of Student Rights and Responsibilities defines various forms of 
Academic Dishonesty and you should make yourself familiar with these. In this class, 
all assignments that are turned in for a grade must represent the student's own work. In 
cases where help was received, or teamwork was allowed, a notation on the 
assignment should indicate your collaboration."

**Academic Integrity Links**

Dean of Students Office, policy and “Case Summary and Report Form.”


Office of Graduate Education website, *The Rensselaer Graduate Student Supplement*

[http://rpi.edu/dept/grad/docs/The%20Graduate%20Student%20Supplement%20.pdf](http://rpi.edu/dept/grad/docs/The%20Graduate%20Student%20Supplement%20.pdf)

Dean of Students Office, Information on Academic Integrity from the 2014-2016 *Rensselaer Handbook of 
Student Rights and Responsibilities.*


Provost’s Office, Institute Academic Dishonesty Policy
Information Resources Policies including Collection Development - Methodologies for meeting the needs of Rensselaer’s programs, faculty, researchers and students include:

Books

1. Purchasing individual print and electronic books based on subject librarian selections, patron requests and aggregated book subscription packages. Electronic book titles displayed in RensSearch, the Rensselaer Libraries website and online catalog, include thousands of publisher titles that are not owned by the Rensselaer Libraries but which, after a patron browsing them for 5 or 10 minutes results in a transaction triggering either a short-term loan or purchase of the electronic book. From the patron’s perspective, the process appears to be just another electronic book in the catalog. The Rensselaer Libraries are increasingly reallocating portions of the book budget from librarian-selected to Patron-Driven Acquisition (PDA) eBooks.

2. Providing loan access via the Rensselaer Libraries’ website and online catalog (RensSearch) linkage to ConnectNY, a resource-sharing consortium of 18 private New York State institutions of higher learning. The members of this consortium have agreed to use library system middleware that provides an online, merged catalog of the 18 ConnectNY institutions’ library book catalogs containing over 9 million book titles. This consortium also provides a courier service that continually routes books between member libraries in order to provide access to the books in 2 to 4 business days. Pratt Institute, which just joined ConnectNY this year, has a School of Architecture.

3. Providing traditional interlibrary loan access via the worldwide OCLC library cooperative.

4. If only one chapter of a book is of interest, that chapter may be obtainable by the Libraries’ participation in the RapidILL consortium’s “Rapid Book Chapter” program where a scanned copy of the chapter is sent from the library that has the book in their collection to the requesting library.

5. Submittal of a “Purchase Request” form via RensSearch, the Library’s website and online catalog. Book requests are routed to selection librarians for purchase consideration, if appropriate, or a response is sent to the patron suggesting they request the title via one of the Rensselaer Libraries’ interlibrary loan options.

Journal Articles

1. Subscribing to electronic journals individually and/or via an aggregated package.

2. Providing traditional interlibrary loan access via the worldwide OCLC library cooperative.

3. Membership and participation in RapidILL a revolutionary article delivery system developed at Colorado State University. Rensselaer is a participant in RapidILL’s Academic Pod E that includes many prestigious institutions of higher learning including a good number of institutions with notable engineering programs such as Carnegie Mellon, Georgia Tech, Johns Hopkins, and the University of Wisconsin.
4. If article is still unavailable, due to exceeding the annual “fair use” copyright restriction for a particular journal, the Interlibrary Loan Librarian will usually purchase the article directly from the publisher, or via the Copyright Clearance Center’s “Get It Now” document delivery service and email, in PDF file form, to the patron.

5. Submittal of a “Purchase Request” form via RensSearch, the Library’s website and online catalog. If warranted in the Libraries’ judgment, the title is added to the Materials Request list for subscription consideration given funding coverage and prioritization over other requests.

A Collection Development Team meets weekly to review electronic resource usage statistics and make renewal, cancellation and new subscription decisions.

Drawing upon its strong tradition of providing innovative ways to find and obtain information, the Rensselaer Libraries is transitioning from a “Just-In-Case” to a “Just-In-Time” library model. The electronic resources environment and nascent patron-driven electronic book loan and acquisitions offerings provide the tools to analyze usage and provide users with exactly what they want, when they want it. It’s also increasingly more cost and labor workflow effective to purchase, or obtain via interlibrary/consortia loan or fee-based short-term loan mechanisms, electronic delivery of articles from journals with lower Rensselaer usage statistics. The transition to the “Just-In-Time” model represents a shift in library resource expenditures from speculation and anticipation by librarians to real and immediate needs by patrons – preferably in electronic format.

This transition builds on recent pilot patron-driven acquisition (PDA) projects undertaken by the Rensselaer Libraries and also in conjunction with the ConnectNY consortium. The evolution from a print-based physical collection of books and a subscription electronic journal model to an on-demand “Just-In-Time” model focused, whenever possible, on electronic/online delivery, will accelerate as publishers become increasingly more flexible in their own business models.

The institution’s policies and procedures relative to EEO/AA for faculty, staff, and students.

http://hr.rpi.edu/update.do?artcenterkey=6
http://www.rpi.edu/dept/hr/action.pdf

The institution’s policy regarding: human resource development opportunities such as sabbatical, research leave, and scholarly achievements.

http://hr.rpi.edu/update.do?artcenterkey=288

Policies, Procedures, and Criteria for Faculty Appointment, Promotion, and Tenure.

At Rensselaer, the Faculty Handbook (see http://www.rpi.edu/dept/provost/facultyhandbook1-06.pdf) describes the opportunities and responsibilities of the various types of faculty who are hired. Hiring of faculty typically starts at the department level (it is at the School level in Architecture, since Architecture does not have departments). Each recommendation includes a proposal defining the parameters of the position, and the Provost has final authority for all faculty appointments.

Most faculty at Rensselaer are tenure-track or tenured faculty, although there are some non-tenure track faculty (“contingent faculty”) who are Lecturers, Professors of Practice, or Adjuncts. These non-tenure positions are typically contracted positions for a period ranging from a single semester up to three years.
Tenure-track faculty typically join the Institute as Assistant Professors with a three-year renewable contract and six years to work toward promotion to Associate Professor with tenure. Newly hired Assistant Professors receive a start-up package, which is a sum of money to be used during their first two years at the Institute to acquire research materials, attend conferences and complete other scholarly activities that will assist them in working toward promotion and tenure. The amount provided to each faculty is confidential.

Assistant Professors are required, according to the Faulty Handbook, to be mentored, and all faculty are to receive annual evaluations. In the School of Architecture, the Dean assigns 2-3 senior faculty mentors to each Assistant Professor. Mentors typically meet with their junior faculty mentees at least once per semester to discuss teaching, research/scholarship, and service, the three categories considered in Rensselaer’s promotion and tenure process. Mentors provide an overview of progress to the Dean and the Dean provides an annual review.

There is a three-year review of all Assistant Professors to determine whether they have made sufficient progress toward tenure and should be renewed for a second three-year term, and to provide guidance for the second term. During this process, members of the School’s Promotion and Tenure Committee (all SoA tenured faculty at the level of Associate Professor or higher) review the teaching, scholarship and service record of the junior faculty member and offer recommendations to the junior faculty member as he/she prepares to be considered for promotion and tenure. Typically the Assistant Professor’s promotion and tenure case will be considered during his/her sixth year of employment. In Architecture, cases (including an external review) are first presented to the School Promotion and Tenure Committee to determine whether the case is sufficiently strong and adequately prepared for the Dean to proceed in seeking confidential external reviews. Upon receipt of 6-10 external reviews of the candidate’s work as prepared by the candidate, the School P&T committee meets to review and vote on whether to recommend tenure with promotion to Associate Professor. With a positive recommendation (vote) the Dean typically moves the case forward to the Institute-wide Promotion and Tenure Committee (an elected faculty committee of the Faculty Senate that consists of only Full Professors), the Provost’s Deans’ Council, and the Provost. Both committees review the case independently before formally voting in a joint session. The recommendation is presented to the Provost who decides whether to make a recommendation for tenure and/or promotion to the President who in turn, determines whether to recommend tenure and/or promotion to the Board of Trustees for final approval. The process may be stopped (tenure denied) at any level in the process. The Faculty Handbook outlines an appeal process available to faculty in the case of a negative determination.

A faculty member appointed to the level of Associate Professor, according to the Faculty Handbook, “should possess a record of excellence in scholarship as demonstrated by an emerging national and/or international reputation, a level of high quality in educational activities including teaching and advising, and a significant level of service to the department, the Institute and the profession.”

There is no timeframe for faculty to move from the Associate Professor to the full Professor rank. According to the Faculty Handbook, “an individual holding this rank should be an academic leader, possessing a nationally or internationally recognized record of excellence in scholarship, a sustained level of high quality in educational activities that go beyond teaching and advising, and a sustained level of service to the department, the Institute, and profession.” The rank of professor is normally attained by promotion from Associate Professor although some faculty highly sought by the Institute may be hired as Associate or Full Professors.

**Contingent Faculty** (Lecturers, Senior Lecturers and Professors of Practice)

Contingent Faculty are full or part time faculty non-tenure track faculty hired on an as-needed basis. Needs vary from year to year, and sometimes from one semester to the next. In response to the widely varying needs for contingent faculty in the School of Architecture, the Dean selects the faculty candidates to teach various courses or sections of courses. The Dean then circulates the candidate’s resume with a
request for the tenured and tenure-track faculty to vote by email on the selected candidate. Lecturers and Professors of Practice are typically hired for a contract period of 1-3 years. Renewal contracts for contingent faculty are also approved by an email vote.

Adjunct faculty are hired semester-by-semester. In the School of Architecture, some of our practicing adjuncts (e.g. Professional Practice Professors) have returned each semester for many years. Other adjuncts serve for shorter periods based on need of the School and the expertise of the adjunct.

According to Institute regulations (as noted in the Faculty Handbook) no vote is needed for the hiring of adjunct faculty. The Dean appoints the adjunct faculty directly, without consultation of the tenured or tenure-track faculty.

**Response to the Offsite Program Questionnaire** - The CENTER for ARCHITECTURE SCIENCE and ECOLOGY [CASE] is a Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Center co-located at the offices of SOM, New York. The Center houses the Ph.D. and Masters of Science in Architectural Sciences Built Ecologies concentration and associated research enterprise. It is focused on the design and development of next generation sustainable building systems. It maintains a student population of approximately 15 PhD and MS students whose studies are partly carried out downstate and partly upstate at the Troy campus. Each fall the Center is host to the first year M.Arch class where studio and seminar courses focus on environmental sustainability and performance based integrated design methodologies and systems in the context of SOM’s professional practice and a vibrant interdisciplinary research culture. Each spring select B.Arch students spend a semester of study at CASE in New York.

The CASE Offsite Program Questionnaire is available at [http://www.arch.rpi.edu/naab/58-OffsiteProgramQuestionnaires.pdf](http://www.arch.rpi.edu/naab/58-OffsiteProgramQuestionnaires.pdf)

**ROME CENTER - University of Arkansas, Rome, Italy** - The Rome Center, administered by the University of Arkansas School of Architecture is host to their own students as well as programs and students from other NAAB accredited degree schools (Philadelphia, Auburn, Tennessee) as well as a variety of other programs including historic preservation and fashion. The Center has two full professors tenured by the University of Arkansas and several permanent and adjunct faculty hired by the Director. Schools participate in a variety of ways ranging from full reliance on the Rome Center and its faculty to deliver the program and content, to the role of host Institution. Rensselaer sends its own faculty member (rotating) who directs and is responsible for the program design, content and delivery. Teaching is supplemented by Jeffrey Blanchard, (Director of Cornell’s Rome Center and Study Program) who teaches Urban and Architectural History of Rome, Professor Emilio del Gesso (U. Ark, tenured) who teaches Art and Culture in Italy, and adjuncts associated with the Center who teach the elective Preservation and Contemporary Architecture of Rome courses.

The program is prefaced by required completion of two levels of Italian language, and an intensive 10-day language and culture introductory course. Roughly 12-13 weeks are spent in residence in Rome with two to three weeks of regional travel accompanied by faculty experts.

The Rome program Offsite Program Questionnaire is available at [http://www.arch.rpi.edu/naab/58-OffsiteProgramQuestionnaires.pdf](http://www.arch.rpi.edu/naab/58-OffsiteProgramQuestionnaires.pdf)

**India Studies Program - Center for Environmental Planning and Technology, Ahmedabad, India**

The India program at Rensselaer’s School of Architecture is associated with CEPT University in Ahmedabad, India. Ahmedabad is a vibrant metropolis of 5 million inhabitants located in the northwestern part of India. It has a dry desert-like climate. Students in this program are immersed immediately in Indian culture while studying at CEPT University, which is one of the premier schools of architecture in India. It was founded in 1962 by Balkrishna Doshi, an internationally renowned architect, who at age 89 still maintains a thriving practice in Ahmedabad producing buildings and urban design of exceptional quality.
Rensselaer’s School of Architecture has had a relationship with CEPT for more than twenty years. This relationship involves CEPT’s acceptance of a small number of RPI students and one RPI faculty member in the spring semesters of odd-numbered years. In turn, RPI hosts a small group of CEPT students for a semester.

While the RPI group is in India, they take several extended field trips throughout India. Each trip encompasses about 7 – 10 days and altogether the travels account for about one month. These travels are effectively study travels as students have to keep a sketch diary as well as make written accounts of their experiences. India is a country of enormous diversity in terms of language, culture, and architecture. It has a rich and deep architectural history that has syncretized indigenous architectural practices with those of the Mughal conquerors and those that were part of the British Raj. With its independence, India was anxious to modernize and as a result has the most works by Le Corbusier of any country except France. Four of those buildings are in Ahmedabad as is Louis Kahn’s India Institute of Management. Ahmedabad is composed of an old town on the eastern banks of the Sabarmati River; it is made up of intimate neighborhoods, or pols. In contrast, the newer city, is on the west bank and has essentially grown up in the last 60 – 70 years. Ahmedabad was, and still is to a lesser degree, known for its textile mills. One of the textile owners, Kasturbhai Lalbhai endowed CEPT University. Our students benefit from having critiques and reviews with India architects and CEPT faculty. Their projects are situated in Ahmedabad and focus on the making connections between exiting urban fabric, new urban fabric, and the unique condition of Ahmedabad along the Sabarmati riverfront.

The India program Offsite Program Questionnaire is available at [http://www.arch.rpi.edu/naab/58-OffsiteProgramQuestionnaires.pdf](http://www.arch.rpi.edu/naab/58-OffsiteProgramQuestionnaires.pdf)

China Studies Program – Tongji University: School of Architecture - In support of the program’s commitment to expanding the intellectual, cultural, ethnic and regional diversity throughout the school, preparing our students for future leadership roles, promoting the value of global citizenship and providing a multi-cultural experience for our students with resounding impact, the Rensselaer’s study abroad program established a strategic relationship with one of the leading architecture schools in China over 19 years ago. In recognition of Tongji University’s international reputation as one of the finest architecture programs in China, we developed a bi-yearly study abroad agreement bringing students and faculty from each of the respective programs together for an immersive semester-long studio-based curriculum experience.

Situated on the prestigious Tongji University campus in Shanghai, China, Rensselaer students have the unique opportunity to collaborate with fellow Tongji students, learn from distinguished faculty from their university, partake in shared studio and seminar courses, have access to a range of all-school public events, and travel to significant destinations throughout China to see in person contemporary and ancient architectural masterwork buildings.

Additionally, given that China has had the fastest growing and most robust building sector in the world, RPI students witness an unprecedented amount of new buildings and urban development throughout their time abroad, which represents an invaluable first-hand experience as future architects. Many of our students have developed meaningful friendships and business contacts that will serve them well as they move forward into an internationally competitive market after graduation.

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Fall 2014 Undergraduate Statistics

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In comparison, the other schools at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, have lower percentages of female students than the School of Architecture:

Fall 2014 Undergraduate Statistics

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In comparing minority enrollments, the School of Architecture compares itself to the School of Engineering, which is the largest school in the Institute. As shown in the chart below, the schools are similar in percentages of minority students:

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| Sustainability Building Design Metrics | Building Systems and the Environment |
| Building Environmental Parametrics | Masters Project - Ecological Urbanism or Environmental Parametrics |

| Grad Arch Design Studio 1 - Capital Region Initiative | CANstruction |
| Urban furniture studio | Tutoring high school students |
| Professional Practice 1 and 2 - Planning Meeting Attendance - Assign. | Habitat for Humanity |
| | CASE - coconut product... |
B.Arch Defining Perspectives Chart
### Exposures and Opportunities: Defining Perspectives

**B.Arch**

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**Design**

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- Arch Design 1
- Arch Design 2
- Arch Design 3
- Arch Design 4
- Integrated Design Schematic
- Integrated Design Development
- Arch Design 5
- Arch Design 6
- Arch Design 7
- Final Project

**Professional Opportunities**

The program must describe its approach for educating students on the breadth of professional opportunities and career paths, including the transition to internship and licensure.

- Integrated Design Development - Field Trip / Office Visits
- Bedford Workshop
- Professional Practice 1
- IDD Site Visits
- Professional Practice 2
- IDD Field Trip
- Case Studies course
- Lecture Series
- CASE at SOM
- Undergraduate Research Projects
- Bedford A/E Seminar
- Internships with faculty
- Bedford Studio (IDD)
- Smart Geometries Conference
- Bedford Traveling Workshop
- Blast Off
- Final Project
- Position Series
- Career Fair
- BDPS presentations
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Curricular Assessment Chart
Insitute-Wide Faculty Senate Curriculum Committee
Prof. June Deery, co-chair
Prof. B. Wayne Bequette, co-chair
Associate Deans
Elected representatives from each school
Registrar, ex-officio
Dean of Graduate Education, ex-officio

Dean, School of Architecture
Evan Douglis

School of Architecture Curriculum Committee
Dean Evan Douglis
ex-officio
Assoc. Dean Mark Mistur
Chair
Prof. David Bell
Prof. Lonn Combs
M.Arch 1 Director
Prof. Ted Krueger
Prof. Chris Perry
Graduate Program Director
Prof. Anthony Titus
Pam Zepf
Executive Assistant

Design Task Group
HTC Task Group
Tech. Task Group
Prof. Practice Task Group

Curriculum Committee
Representation & Process
Ajmal Aqtash

Courses Taught (Four semesters prior to current visit):

Spring 2014  n/a

Fall 2014  ARCH-2360 Construction Systems
           ARCH-2510 Materials & Design
           ARCH-4300 Design Development

Spring 2015  ARCH-4560 Materials & Enclosure

Fall 2015  n/a

Educational Credentials:  M.S. Architecture, Columbia University GSAPP
                         B. Arch, Pratt Institute School of Architecture

Teaching Experience:  2014-15 Adjunct faculty at RPI School of Architecture
                      Also taught at Pratt Institute School of Architecture and Stevens Institute
                      School of Mechanical Engineering

Professional Experience:  2009 co-founded form-ula design practice, NYC
                          2007 co-founded core.form –ula (R&D wing of form-ula), NYC
                          2003-09 designer at Skidmore, Owings & Merrill
                          1999-01 Associate Director at Center for Experimental Structures (CES)
                          at Pratt Institute

Licenses/Registration:

Selected Publications and Recent Research:

1. 2013, BOB Magazine (sushi-teria)
2. 2012, SPA-DE Magazine (sushi-teria)
3. 2012, World Wide Architecture: 40 Architects/ 40 Countries
4. 2012, Young Architects 13: Princeton Architectural Pres
5. 2011, Prattfolio, What is Next

Professional Memberships:  n/a
Name:  David Bell

Spring 2014
ARCH-2020  The Building & Thinking of Architecture 2
ARCH-4250, 4260  Architecture Design 5, 6

Fall 2014
ARCH-2150  The Ethos of Architecture [new course]
ARCH-2220  Architecture Design 2
ARCH-2620  Graduate Architecture Design 2

Spring 2015 (India study-abroad program)
ARCH-4250, 4260  Architecture Design 5, 6
The Ineffable Space of Le Corbusier
India Discovery

Fall 2015
ARCH-2150  The Ethos of Architecture
ARCH-4100  An Architectural Genealogy 1 [new course]
ARCH-2820  Architectural Design Studio 3

Educational Credentials:  B.A. Physics, Bridgewater College
Graduate Studies in Physics, University of Virginia
M. Arch, University of Virginia

Teaching Experience:  Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute School of Architecture
1980-83 Assistant Professor
1983-present Associate Professor
1985-88 Director of Professional Studies
1989-95 Director of M. Arch. Program
1998-present Director of Undergraduate Admissions
2007-2010 Director of Undergraduate Architecture Programs
Kansas State University, Asst. Professor, Architecture, 1977-80

Professional Experience:  1973-77 Project Designer, Cochran, Stephenson, Donkervoet in Maryland
1978-79 Project Designer, The Design Studio in Kansas
2000-02 Principal, 3arc Graphic Design, Troy, NY

Licenses/Registration:  Licensed Architect, Maryland

Selected Publications and Recent Research:
2.  (Book) *Jefferson’s University as American Dream*, 2014, PIEINThESKY Press, Troy, NY.

Professional Memberships:  n/a
Andrew Bierman

Courses Taught (Four semesters prior to current visit):

Spring 2014  LGHT-4770 Lighting Technology & Applications

Fall 2014  LGHT-4770 Lighting Technology & Applications

Spring 2015  None

Fall 2015  LGHT-4770 Lighting Technology & Applications

Educational Credentials:  M.S. Lighting, RPI School of Architecture  
B.S. Physics, RPI School of Sciences

Teaching Experience:  RPI School of Architecture, Lighting Research Center  
1998-present, Adjunct Professor

Professional Experience:  
RPI School of Arch., Lighting Research Center  
1993-present, Sr. Research Scientist  
1995-present, Photometry Laboratory Manager  
ETL Testing Laboratories, Inc.,  
1992-93, Project Engineer

Licenses/Registration:  Lighting Certified 2002-present by Nat'l Council on Qualifications for Lighting Professions

Patents:  

Self-commissioning Daylight Switching System  
Inventors:  Bierman, Andrew and Leslie, Russell P.

Photosensor and control system for dimming lighting fixtures to reduce power consumption  
United States Patent Number 6,583,573  June 2003

Selected Publications and Recent Research:


Jonas Braasch

Courses Taught (Four semesters prior to current visit):
- **Spring 2014** ARCH-4890  Aural Architecture
- **Fall 2014** ARCH-4860/6860  Applied Psychoacoustics
- **Spring 2015** ARCH-4890  Aural Architecture
- **Fall 2015** ARCH-4860/6860  Applied Psychoacoustics

Educational Credentials:  
Ph.D. in musicology, Ruhr-University Bochum, Germany  
D. Eng., Electrical Engineering, Ruhr-University Bochum, Germany  
M.S. equivalent, Physics, Technical University Dortmund, Germany

Teaching Experience:  
RPI School of Architecture  
2006 – Assistant Professor  
2012 – Associate Professor  
Also taught at Ruhr University, Bochum, Germany, McGill University.

Professional Experience:  
2004-05 Asst. Professor, Schulich School of Music, McGill Univ.  
2004 Research Associate, Sound Recording Area, Schulich School of Music, McGill University.  
2001-03 Research Associate, Institute of Communication Acoustics, Ruhr University in Germany.  
2001-03 Manager of group, Auditory Signal Processing and Binaural Technology, Ruhr Univ.  
2001-03 Manager of UNIX computer network at Ruhr University.

Licenses/Registration:  
n/a

Selected Publications and Recent Research:  

Professional Memberships:  
Acoustical Society of America, Audio Engineering Society
Jennifer Brons

Courses Taught (Four semesters prior to current visit):
Spring 2014  n/a
Fall 2014    ARCH-4230  Lighting Design
Spring 2015  n/a
Fall 2015    ARCH-4230  Lighting Design

Educational Credentials: M.S. Lighting, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
B. Arch., University of California at Berkeley

Teaching Experience: 2005-15 RPI School of Architecture, Adjunct Asst. Professor
Also taught at Clemson Univ., and Albany Chapter of Illuminating Engineering Society of North America.

Professional Experience:
1997-present, Research Scientist, Lighting Research Center, RPI.
1994-97 Board Member, Designers Lighting Forum, San Francisco.
1996-97 Draftsman and R+D, Shaper Lighting, Richmond, CA.
1994-96 Asst. project manager, Performance Electric, Pleasanton, CA.

Licenses/Registration: Lighting Certification (LC), Nat’l Council on Qualifications for Lighting Professions (NCQLP)

Selected Publications and Recent Research:
5. DELTA Field Test, 2013, Glazing with Integral Honeycomb Baffles.

Professional Memberships:
Lonn Combs

Courses Taught (Four semesters prior to current visit):

Spring 2014: ARCH-4300 Design Development

Fall 2014: ARCH-2220-1 Architectural Design 2
ARCH 4690-1 Case Studies: ARCH Knowledge

Spring 2015: ARCH-4963-2 Integrated Design Schematic

Fall 2015: ARCH-4963 Integrated Design Schematic
ARCH 4690 Case Studies: ARCH Knowledge

Educational Credentials: M.S., Advanced Architectural Design, GSAPP, Columbia University
B. Arch., College of Architecture, University of Kentucky

Teaching Experience: Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute School of Architecture
2013-present Director, M. Arch Program
2011-present Assistant Professor
2010-2011 Clinical Assoc. Professor
Pratt Institute
2009-2010 Acting Chair of Undergraduate Architecture
2007-2009 Asst. Chair of Undergraduate Architecture
2001-2010 Adjunct Associate Professor of Architecture
Also taught at Cornell University and City College of New York.

Professional Experience:
1997-1998 Liang Peddle Thorp Architects, Hong Kong, China, Project Architect
1994-1997 Prof. Josef Paul Kleihues, Berlin, Germany, Project Architect

Licenses/Registration: NCARB certification since 2004
Registered Architect in New York and Massachusetts, previously registered in Texas, and the Federal State of Berlin (Germany)

Selected Publications and Recent Research:
4. The Glimpses Series: Interview with Lonn Combs, American Academy in Rome (online article).

Professional Memberships:
AIANY New Practices New York, Award winner / Active committee member
Fellow, American Academy in Rome (Rome Prize winner in Architecture, 2012)
Demetrios Comodromos

Courses Taught (Four semesters prior to current visit):

Spring 2014
- ARCH-2510 Materials & Design
- ARCH-4250 Architecture Design 5 (CASE)
- ARCH-4260 Architecture Design 6 (CASE)

Fall 2014
- ARCH-4170.8 Environmental Parametrics (CASE)
- ARCH-4250.8 Arch. Design 5 (CASE)
- ARCH-4260.8 Arch. Design 6 (CASE)
- ARCH-6370.8 Env. Parametrics Workshop (CASE)

Spring 2015
- ARCH-4170.8 Environmental Parametrics (CASE)
- ARCH-4770.8 Architecture Design Studio 5 (CASE)
- ARCH-4960.8 Architecture Design 6 (CASE)

Fall 2015
- ARCH-4170.8 Env. Parametrics-CASE
- ARCH-4360.8 Grad Arch. Des 4-CASE
- ARCH-4960.8 Grad Arch. Design 6-CASE
- ARCH-6370.8 Env. Par Wkshp-CASE

Educational Credentials:
- M.S. Advanced Architectural Design, Columbia School of Architecture
- B. Architecture, BS Building Science, RPI School of Architecture

Teaching Experience:
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute School of Architecture
  - 2010-present Lecturer
  - 2006-10, and 2002-03 Adjunct Faculty
  - Also taught at Columbia Univ., Cornell Univ., Pratt Institute, and Univ. Pennsylvania

Professional Experience:
- 2008-12 Partner/Owner, Method Design, NYC
- 2008 AIA Award Winner, Prutting + Company, Connecticut
- 2005-08 AIA Award Winner, Kaehler-Moore Architects, Connecticut
- 2005 SHoP Architects, NYC
- 2002-05 GRIMSHAW, NYC
- 2000-01 Darius Toraby Architects, NYC

Licenses/Registration:
- Professional Registration and National Accreditation (NCARB), New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Connecticut

Selected Publications and Recent Research:

1. (Lecture) 2013, “Advancements in Sustainable Envelope Design,” speaker as CASE Faculty at Urban Green Council, Green Salon, 8/22/13.

Professional Memberships:
- n/a
Gustavo Crembil

Courses Taught (Four semesters prior to current visit):

Spring 2014
- ARCH-4990.3 BArch Final Project 2 – Material Matters.1
- ARCH-6990.2 Master’s Thesis – Material Matters.1
- ARCH-4965.1 Latin American Architecture

Fall 2014
- ARCH-4980.4 BArch Final Project 1 - Material Matters.2
- ARCH-6990.6 Master’s Project 1 – Material Matters.2
- ARCH-4949.18 Independent Study – TZIJK Robotic Installation (URP)

Spring 2015
- ARCH-4990.3 BArch Final Project 2 – Material Matters.2
- ARCH-6980.4 Master’s Project 2 – Material Matters.2
- ARCH-4090.1 Architectural Case Studies

Fall 2015
- ARCH-4969.1 Arch Design: Mestizo Robotics / Art_X@Rensselaer (*)
- ARCH-4961.1 Latin American Architecture
(*) includes ARCH-4968.1 (workshop for ENG students) and ARCH6-4969.1 (seminar for HASS students)

Educational Credentials:
- Master of Architecture, Cranbrook Academy of Art, 1997
- Arquitecto, Professional Diploma, Universidad Nacional de Cordoba, Argentina, 1992
- Bachiller Humanista, Universidad Nacional de Cordoba, Argentina, 1979

Teaching Experience:
- 2015-present Associate Professor, RPI School of Architecture
- 2009-2015 Assistant Professor, RPI School of Architecture
- 2008-09 Clinical Assistant Professor, RPI School of Architecture
- 2005-06 Adjunct Professor, RPI School of Architecture
- Also taught at Cranbrook Academy of Art, Universidad Blas Pascal (Argentina), University of Detroit-Mercy

Professional Experience:
- THEM [Lynch + Crembil], Troy, NY. Founder / Director.
- Also worked with Mayo, Lynch & Associates in Secaucus, NJ; Peter Lynch Architect in Bloomfield Hills, MI; Perkins Eastman Architects in New York City; Cranbrook Architectural Office in Bloomfield Hills, MI; and Museo de Bellas Artes Emilio Caraffa in Argentina.

Licenses/Registration:
- Registered Architect, Argentina, 1993

Selected Publications and Recent Research:

Professional Memberships:
- Member, Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture (ACSA)
- Member, Association for Computer Aided Design in Architecture (ACADIA)
- Fellow, Fulbright Fellowship
Adam Dayem

Courses Taught (Four semesters prior to current visit):

Spring 2014  ARCH-2210  Architecture Design I

Fall 2014  ARCH-2520  Digital Constructs 1
ARCH-2800  Architecture Design Studio 1

Spring 2015  ARCH-2230  Architecture Design 3
ARCH-2530  Digital Constructs 2
ARCH-2630  Graduate Architecture Design 3

Fall 2015  ARCH-2520  Digital Constructs 1
ARCH-4240, 4250  Vertical Studio

Educational Credentials:  M. Architecture, Columbia University, 2001
B. Architecture with honors, University of California at Berkeley

Teaching Experience:  Lecturer, 2014-present
Adjunct Professor, 2010-2013
Director of Summer Career Discovery Program 2012-present
Also taught at Pratt Institute, Univ. Pennsylvania School of Design, Parsons
and Columbia University

Professional Experience:  Principal of actual / office.
Also worked at Bernard Tschumi Architects, Smith-Miller +
Hawkinson Architects, Joel Sanders Architect, Raphel Vinoly
Architect, Keeble Rhoda Todd Architects

Licenses/Registration: Registered Architect, New York State

Selected Publications and Recent Research:
1. Drawing in the Digital Age, essay in Fresh Punches, edited by Nathan Hume, Abigail Coover
3. LaNouvelle Atlantide, Le Journal du Dimanch, 21 July 2013. Interview describing New
   Atlantis, A City for Voluntary Exiles.
4. Last Destination: Bucharest, On The Move Conference; contributed drawing for conference
   poster, 2013.
5. Moon Monster, An Architectural Folly; http://www.suckerpunchdaily.com/2012/10/05/moon-
   monster-an-architectural-folly/#more-25047.

Professional Memberships:  n/a
Brian DeLuna

Courses Taught:

- **Spring 2014**: n/a
- **Fall 2014**: n/a
- **Spring 2015**: n/a
- **Fall 2015**: ARCH-4980 Final Project 1 Studio

Educational Credentials:

- M.S. Advanced Architectural Design, Columbia University
- B.Arch, Southern California Institute of Architecture

Teaching Experience:

- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute School of Architecture
  - 2015-16 Lecturer
  - 2012 Adjunct Faculty
- University of Applied Arts, Vienna
  - 2012-2015 Assistant Professor
- New Jersey Institute of Technology
  - 2011-12 Adjunct Faculty
- Princeton School of Architecture
  - 2010 Assistant Teacher, Advanced Design Studio
- SCI-Arc
  - 2006 Teaching Assistant

Professional Experience:


Licenses/Registration:

- n/a

Selected Publications and Recent Research:


Professional Memberships:

- n/a
Nancy Morgado Diniz, Ph.D.

Courses Taught (Four semesters prior to current visit):
Spring 2014  n/a
Fall 2014  n/a
Spring 2015  ARCH-4580  Materials Systems & Production
             ARCH-6990  Master’s Thesis (CASE)
Fall 2015  ARCH-6940  Indep. Study-Graduate
             ARCH-6350.81  Grad. Design Research Studio (CASE)

Educational Credentials:  Ph.D., Architecture, Bartlett Graduate School, London
                            M.Sc., Virtual Environments, Bartlett Graduate School, London
                            M.A. Urban Design, ISCTE, Lisbon, Portugal
                            5-Year Diploma in Architecture, Universidade Lusiada, Portugal

Teaching Experience:  2015-present RPI School of Architecture, Assistant Professor
                     2011-14 Xi’an Jiaotong-Liverpool Univ., China, Associate Professor
                     2001-13 External Examiner at MA in Interior Living, Domus Academy, Milan, Italy. Appointed by Univ. of Wales as master's programs validation institution.
                     2009-11 Course Director, Interior Arch & Design, University of Hertfordshire, Hatfield, UK.
                     2008-10 Course director MSc Architecture and Computation, ISCTE School of Arch. and Technology, Lisbon, Portugal.

Professional Experience:  2012-2014 Correspondent in China for ‘Jornal de Arquitetos’ tri-
                           monthly publications for the Portuguese Architects Registration Board.

Licenses/Registration:  n/a

Selected Publications and Recent Research:

Professional Memberships:  Architects Registration Board, United Kingdom
                           The Board of Portuguese Architects
Joshua Draper

Courses Taught (Four semesters prior to current visit):

Spring 2014  n/a

Fall 2014 (First semester teaching)
ARCH 4936 Research Investigations  (4160)
ARCH 6963 Advanced Integrated Systems Prototype

Spring 2015
ARCH 4936 Research Investigations
ARCH 6963 Advanced Integrated Systems Prototype
ARCH 6966 Systems & Simulation Visualization

Fall 2015
ARCH 6810 Research Design Seminar
ARCH 6963 Advanced Integrated Systems Prototype

Educational Credentials:  Master of Architecture, Columbia University GSAPP
B. Arch, Kungliga Tekniska Hogskolan (KTH), Stockholm, Sweden
B.A. in Classics, St. John’s College, Santa Fe, NM

Teaching Experience:  2014-present  RPI School of Architecture, Lecturer
2008-present, Columbia Univ. GSAPP, Adjunct Assoc. Professor
2011-12 Barnard College, Adjunct Assoc. Professor
2008 RPI School of Architecture, Adjunct Assoc. Professor

2013-14, Project Manager, Folding Enterprises, Long Island City, NY
2012-13, Design Technology Specialist, CASE, NYC
2011-12 Project Architect, S3 Architects, NYC
2009-present, Partner/Founder, PrePost, Brooklyn, NY
2004-06 Architectural Intern, Studio Daniel Libeskind, NYC

Licenses/Registration:  n/a

Selected Publications and Recent Research:

2. Jorge Otero-Pailos: The Ethics of Dust, Daniela Zuman, Daniel Birnbaum, Evan Ebersberger, Jorge Otero-Pailos, 2010 (fabrication, photography).
3. Design Work: 3D Print Object Studies, 2013-14, for 2x4, New York City, (computational design, 3D print fabrication research and management).

Professional Memberships:  n/a
Anna Dyson

Courses Taught (Four semesters prior to current visit):

Spring 2014
- ARCH-6330  Built Ecologies (at CASE)
- ARCH-6967 (at CASE)

Fall 2014
- ARCH-6810.81 Research Deign Seminar
- ARCH-6330.8   Built Ecologies 2

Spring 2015
- ARCH-6330.8   Built Ecologies 2

Fall 2015
- ARCH-6350.8   Env. History & Theory
- ARCH-6350.81 Design Research Studio (CASE)
- ARCH-6810.8 Research Design Seminar
- ARCH-6990.8 Master’s Thesis

Educational Credentials:
- M. Architecture, Yale University
- Baccalaureat General, Universite Laval, Quebec, Canada

Teaching Experience:
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, School of Architecture
  2011-present Professor
  2003-2011 Associate Professor
  1998-03 Assistant Professor
  1997-98 Adjunct Professor, RPI School of Engineering
  Since 2007, Director, Center for Architecture, Science and Ecology [CASE]
  1993-94 taught in History of Art Department at Yale University

Professional Experience:
- 1997-98 Project Designer, BKS/K Architects, NYC
- 1996-99 Design and Manufacturing, Oggi Architectural Products, NYC
- 1994-95 Project Designer, Francois Gruson, Architect, Paris
- 1993-94 Habitat for Humanity, Yale Building Project, New Haven, CT
- 1991 Asst. to Chief Curator, Power Plant Contemporary Art Museum, Toronto

Licenses/Registration:
- n/a

Selected Publications and Recent Research:
Mariana Figueiro, Ph.D.

Courses Taught (Four semesters prior to current visit):

Spring 2014  LGHT-6770 Light and Health
Fall 2014    LGHT-4840 Human Factors in Lighting
Spring 2015  LGHT-6770 Light and Health
Fall 2015    LGHT-4840 Human Factors in Lighting

Educational Credentials:  
M.S. (1998) Lighting, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
B.S. (1992) Architecture and Urbanism, Federal University, Brazil

Teaching Experience:  
Faculty member in Rensselaer School of Architecture since 2006.
Visiting Assoc. Prof., Biology, Sage Colleges, Troy, NY, since 2010.

Professional Experience:  
Assistant Professor 2006-2010  
Associate Professor 2010-2014  
Full Professor since 2014  
Self-employed architect 1993-1996

Licenses/Registration:  n/a

Selected Publications and Recent Research:

Professional Memberships:
1. Illuminating Engineering Society of North America, Fellow
2. Society for Research on Biological Rhythms, Member
3. Gerontological Society of America, Member
4. Sleep Research Society, Member
5. Society for Light Treatment and Biological Rhythms, Member
Jean Paul Freyssinier

Courses Taught (Four semesters prior to current visit):
- Spring 2014  LGHT-4770 Lighting Technology & Applications
- Fall 2014   LGHT-4770 Lighting Technology & Applications
- Spring 2015 None
- Fall 2015   LGHT-4770 Lighting Technology & Applications

Educational Credentials: M.S. Lighting, RPI School of Architecture
B.S. Mechanical & Electrical Engineering, National Univ. of Mexico

Teaching Experience: RPI School of Architecture, Lighting Research Center
2003-present, Adjunct Professor
2006-09, Research Assistant Professor

Professional Experience:
RPI School of Architecture, Lighting Research Center
2013-present, Sr. Research Scientist,
2009-12, Research Scientist
2006-09, Research Assistant Professor
2002-06, Lighting Design Specialist
1999-01, Research Assistant
Octavo Arte, Mexico City, Mexico
1997-99, Owner and principal of design
Control Luminico, Mexico City, Mexico
1996-97, Project director/senior designer
Genertek, Mexico City, Mexico
1993-95, Founding partner and project manager

Licenses/Registration: Lighting Certified 1998-13 by Nat'I Council on Qualifications for Lighting Professions

Selected Publications and Recent Research:
1. **Patents**: High-efficient light engines using light emitting diodes, and High efficiency light source using solid-state emitter and down-conversion material.

Society of Light and Lighting, UK, 2002-07
Association of Energy Engineers, 2002-07
Institution of Lighting Engineers, UK, 2002-07
Ralph Ghoche

Courses Taught (Four semesters prior to current visit):

- **Spring 2014**: ARCH-4040 Cities and Lands
  ARCH-2140 Building and Thinking of Architecture

- **Fall 2014**: n/a

- **Spring 2015**: n/a

- **Fall 2015**: n/a

Educational Credentials:

- Ph.D, (expected) Graduate School of Architecture, Planning and Preservation, Columbia University.
- M. Phil. (2007) Graduate School of Architecture, Planning and Preservation, Columbia University.
- B.S. (197) Architecture, McGill University.

Teaching Experience:

- 2012-14 Lecturer at RPI School of Architecture
- 2007-12 Visiting Asst. Professor, Architecture, Pratt Institute
- 2009 Adjunct Professor, Art Dept., Vassar College
- 2004-06 Teaching Fellow, GSAPP, Columbia University
- 2003 Research Assistantship, Canadian Centre for Architecture

Professional Experience:

- David Hotson Architect, NYC, 2000-01
- The Builders Association, NYC, 2000

Licenses/Registration:

- n/a

Selected Publications and Recent Research:


Professional Memberships:

- n/a
Matthew Gindlesparger

Courses Taught (Four semesters prior to current visit):
Spring 2014    ARCH-2360  Environmental & Ecological Systems (CASE)
Fall 2014      n/a
Spring 2015    n/a
Fall 2015      n/a

Educational Credentials:     Master of Architecture, Univ. Arizona, Tucson.
                              B. Arch., Univ. Arizona, Tucson
                              B.S. Architecture, Southern Illinois University

Teaching Experience:        2010-2014 RPI School of Architecture
                              Lecturer and CASE Researcher
                              Adjunct Faculty
                              2013-15 RPI School of Architecture, adjunct faculty

Professional Experience:    2011-14 Chief Technical Officer, Fresh Air Building Systems, NYC
                              Comfort (applied 12/2/2010).
                              2009-10 Technical Program Manager, AzRISE, University of Arizona.
                              2004-09 Project Designer and Fabricator, Binary Design Studio.

Licenses/Registration:      n/a

Selected Publications and Recent Research:
     Generating Ceramic Catenary Networks,” in Expanding Bodies: Art “Cities” Environment:
     Proceedings of the 27th Annual Conference of the Association for Computer Aided Design in
     Architecture (ACADIA), 48-55. ACADIA. Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada; Dalhousie NSCAD &
     CDRN.
     Material Experiments in Building Technology.” Poster Session at the 27th Annual Conference
     of the Association for Computer Aided Design in Architecture (ACADIA). Halifax, Nova Scotia,
     Canada, Octoer 2007.
     USGBC New York City Chapter.

Professional Memberships:
James Fleet Hower

Spring 2014  ARCH-2230  Arch Design 3  
ARCH-2540  Digital Constructs  

Fall 2014  ARCH-2220  Arch Design 2  
ARCH-2540  Digital Constructs III  

Spring 2015  ARCH-4240, 4250, 4260  Vertical Studio - landscape masterplan,  

Fall 2015  ARCH-2820  Arch Design 3  
ARCH-2540  Digital Constructs III  
ARCH-6961  Computation  

Educational Credentials:  
Master of Architecture, University of Pennsylvania, 2012  
Master of Landscape Architecture, University of Pennsylvania, 2012  
Bachelor of Arts, English, Georgetown University, 2006  

Teaching Experience:  
2012-15  RPI School of Architecture, Lecturer  
2013  Univ. Pennsylvania, PennDesign, Instructor  
2011  Tongji University Shanghai, China, Instructor  
2010  Philadelphia University, Adjunct Associate Professor  

Professional Experience:  
Fleet Hower is a designer intent on transforming the way we think about and produce products that shape our lives. He is interested in creating collaborative relationships between digital design and physical production in ways that leverage the rapid changes taking place in manufacturing technology. Fleet’s work is helping to disrupt the traditional workflow of design-to-manufacture by investigating new possibilities of adaptable and intelligent computational design strategies that can interface directly with physical fabrication. In addition to his professional practice, Fleet is currently a Lecturer at the School of Architecture at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, teaching design studios and seminars in. Prior to RPI, Fleet taught at the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia University, CUNY City Tech, and Tongji University, in Shanghai.  

Licenses/Registration:  
n/a  

Selected Publications and Recent Research:  
CNET Magazine, Cool Hunting, Action Figure Insider  

Professional Memberships:  
Cornell Architecture Scripting Group, 2012-present, member, organization of generative designers authorized to assist students in learning and understanding new methodologies.  

Nonlinear Systems Organization, 2009-12, Researcher. Design research organization at PennDesign to study the phenomenon of emergent conditions and the way they may be leveraged to create unique design solutions.
Lydia Kallipoliti, Ph.D.

Courses Taught:

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Educational Credentials:
- Ph.D., History and Theory of Architecture, Princeton University.
- MS. Advanced Architectural Studies, Massachusetts Inst. of Technology.
- Professional Diploma in Arch. and Engineering, Aristotle Univ. Thessaloniki.

Teaching Experience:
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute School of Architecture
  - Fall 2015 joined faculty as Assistant Professor
- Syracuse University
  - Assistant Professor
- Cooper Union, Irwin Chanin School of Architecture, Feltman Lighting Chair
  - Also Adjunct Faculty at Cooper Union, Columbia University

Professional Experience:
1. Cooper Union Institute for Sustainable Design, Sr. Associate.
2. Princeton University School of Architecture, Research Assistant.
3. DECOI Digital Design Group, member of the design, fabrication and advanced geometry team.

Licenses/Registration:
- Registered professional architect and engineer, Technical Chamber of Greece.

Selected Publications and Recent Research:

Professional Memberships:
- Member, Storefront for Art and Architecture in New York
- Member, Architectural League of New York
- Member, Society of Architectural Historians
- Member, American Collegiate Schools of Architecture
Ted Krueger, Ph.D.

Courses Taught:

**Spring 2014**
- ARCH-2230 Architecture Design 3 (coordinator)
- ARCH-2630 Graduate Architecture Design 3 (coordinator)
- ARCH-4967 Tool Theory

**Fall 2014**
- ARCH-4010 Sensory Culture
- ARCH-4300 Design Development

**Spring 2015**
- ARCH-4963 Integrated Design Schematic

**Fall 2015**
- ARCH-4960 PIP Planning Seminar
- ARCH-4963 Integrated Design Schematic

Educational Credentials:
- Ph.D., Architecture, Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology.
- M. Arch, GSAPP, Columbia University
- B.A., Sociology, University of Wisconsin

Teaching Experience:
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute School of Architecture
  - Tenured Associate Professor since 2001
  - Associate Dean, 2005-2009
  - Chair, Graduate Programs, 2005-2012
- University of Arkansas
  - Tenured Associate Professor, 2001
  - Assistant Professor, 1999-2001
- Columbia University
  - Adjunct Faculty, 1992-96
  - New School of Social Research
  - Adjunct Faculty, 1994

Professional Experience:

Licenses/Registration: N/A

Selected Publications, Research:
2. 2015 Universidade de Brasília, Faculdade Gama, Brasília, Gama, DF, Brazil 05/27-09/01 'A Question of Balance,' Workshop on Sensing in Virtual Environments for students from five engineering disciplines.

Professional Memberships: n/a
Russell Leslie

Courses Taught (Four semesters prior to current visit):

NOTE: Prof. Leslie teaches in the graduate Lighting program; he does not teach in the B.Arch or M.Arch programs.

Educational Credentials:

B.A., Psychology, Brown University
M.A.T., Education, Rhode Island College
M. Arch., Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Teaching Experience:

RPI School of Architecture
1999-present  Professor
1988-present, Associate Director, Lighting Research Center
2005-present, Head, Graduate Programs in Lighting
2002-03, Acting Director, Lighting Research Center
1990-98, Associate Professor
1985-1990, Assistant Professor
1984-85, Visiting Assistant Professor
1981-84, Adjunct Assistant Professor
1980-81, Research associate in Architecture
Also taught at Cooper Union

Professional Experience:

1989-06, Principal, Russell P. Leslie Architect, PC. Shaftsbury, VT.
1997, Feltman Chair, The Cooper Union, visiting chair in lighting and humanities.
1985, Visiting Professional, Solar Energy Research Institute, Golden, CO.
1981-83, Architect in Residence, NY Foundation for the Arts, Schalmont School District, Rotterdam, NY
1974-77, Teacher, Bennington (VT) School District.

Licenses/Registration:

Registered Architect, NY and VT, Lighting Certified by the national Council for the Certification of the Lighting Professions

Selected Publications and Recent Research:


Professional Memberships:

Society for Building Science Educators, 1984-present
American Solar Energy Society, 1985-96
Daylighting Network of North America, 1985-96
Illuminating Engineering Society of North America, 1988-present
American Institute of Architects, 1991-present
Ivan Markov, Ph.D.

Courses Taught:

Spring 2014  CIVL  4450 Conceptual Structures

Fall 2014  ARCH 2330 Structures 1
          ARCH 4330 Structures 2

Spring 2015  CIVL  4450 Conceptual Structures
             ARCH 4340 Structural Morphology

Fall 2015  ARCH 2330/5140 Structures 1
           ARCH 4330/5150 Structures 2

Educational Credentials:  Ph.D., Structural Engineering, Cornell University
                         M.Sc., Structural Engineering, Cornell University
                         M.Sc., Architecture, Belgrade University, Serbia
                         Spec., Structural Engineering, Tech Univ. Delft, The Netherlands
                         B.Sc., Structural Engineering, Belgrade University, Serbia

Teaching Experience:  2008-present, RPI School of Architecture, Assoc. Professor
                     2005-2008, Chinese Univ. of Hong Kong, Assoc. Professor- Architecture
                     2006, Univ. Newcastle (Australia), Dept. Civil Eng., Visiting Professor
                     2002, Cornell University, Dept. Architecture, Visiting Professor
                     2000, Tech. Univ. Eindhoven (Netherlands), Visiting Research Professor
                     1995-2005, Syracuse Univ., Associate Professor

Professional Experience:  2004-present, VOKRAM Consulting, Principal.
                          1986-87, ARCADE Co. (Netherlands), CAD Engineer.
                          1985, Building Designer.
                          1982, Bridge Designer.
                          1981-86, Field Testing Engineer.
                          1978, Site Engineer.

Licenses/Registration:  n/a

Selected Publications and Recent Research:


Professional Memberships:  International Association of Shell and Spatial Structure (IASS)
                           International Assn. of Bridge and Structural Engineering
                           Building Technology Educators Society
Courses Taught:
- Spring 2014: Sabbatical
- Fall 2014: None
- Spring 2015: ARCH 4300 Design Development Studio
- Fall 2015: ARCH 4300 Design Development Studio

Educational Credentials:
- M.S. Building Conservation, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, 2003
- B. Architecture, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, 1983
- B.S. Building Science, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, 1983
- Professional Studies, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (ETH) 1981-82

Teaching Experience:
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Associate Dean 1998-05; 2009-
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Acting Dean, 2008-09
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Civil Eng, Co-Appointment, 2008-
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Associate Professor 2005-Rensselaer
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Clinical Associate Prof. 1996-05
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Senior Lecturer 1994-96
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Senior Lecturer 1994-96
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Adjunct 1983-85; 1988-94

Professional Experience:
- Mark Mistur, Architect, Principal, 1993-
- Mistur Riebe Architects, 2004-2010
- Glynn, Spillane Griffing, P.C. 1992-93

Licenses/Registration:
- New York State No. 019649-1 since 1988

Selected Publications and Recent Research:
Books:
- Collection Editor; *Performance-Based Design* (a collection of 12 books) – Momentum Press, in progress
- Author; *Performance-Based Design: The Broad View* Vol. 1 of collection. Momentum Press, in progress
- Author; with Johannes Goebel, *The Architecture of EMPAC: The Tangible and the Tantalizing*, 2011, ORO

Chapters:
- *Eco-logics: A New Paradigm for the Design of Urban Environments*,

Papers:
- *Bridging to the Bicentenary: Collaboratively Educating Engineers and Architects*, IABSE Geneva, 2015 with Dr. Christopher Letchford
- *Facilitating Collaboration of Engineering and Architecture Students Via An International Travel-Study Workshop*, American Society of Engineering Educators (ASEE) proceedings 2010, with Michael Symans, Bruce Danziger

Professional Memberships:
- American Institute of Architects (AIA); Continuing Educ. Committee 2013-
- Society of Building Science Educators (SBSE)
Brendan D. Moran, Ph.D.

Courses Taught (Four semesters prior to current visit):

**Fall 2014**
- ARCH-2130 Contemporary Design Approaches
- ARCH-4140 Modernity in Culture and Civilization
- ARCH-4981 B. Arch Final Project 1 – Methods Seminar
- ARCH-6810 Research Design Seminar – Criticism
- ARCH-6964 Criticism
- ARCH-6981 Master’s Thesis Methods Research

**Spring 2015**
- ARCH-2140 Building and Thinking 3
- ARCH-4050 Cities and Their Territories
- ARCH-4120 Modernity in Culture, Civilization and Architecture

Educational Credentials: Ph.D., History & Theory of Arch., Harvard Graduate School of Design. Master’s, Environmental Design, Yale School of Architecture, Yale Univ.

Teaching Experience:
- 2014-15, Adjunct Professor, Rensselaer School of Architecture
- 2013-14, Lecturer, Univ. of Toronto, Architecture, Landscape & Design
- 2008-13, Assistant Professor, Syracuse University School of Arch.
- 2009, Visiting Professor, Univ. Toronto, Arch., Landscape & Design
- 2007-09, Lecturer, Columbia University, GSAPP
- 2004-08, Adjunct Professor, NJIT School of Architecture
- 2005, Adjunct Professor, Syracuse University School of Architecture
- 2004-05, Lecturer, Yale School of Architecture
- 2003, Instructor, Boston Architecture Center, Syracuse University

Professional Experience: Co-Founder, AD-Hoc (architecture design), 2012.
- Board Member, DoCoMoMo-US, 2002-2008.

Licenses/Registration: n/a

Selected Publications and Recent Research:
5. Lecture: “The Research University as an Environmental Factor,” Oberlin College, Dept. of Art (Environmentalism and architecture Lecture Series); Spring 2010.

Professional Memberships: n/a
Nadarajah Narendran, Ph.D.

Courses Taught (Four semesters prior to current visit):
Prof. Narendran teaches in the graduate Lighting program; he does not teach B.Arch or M.Arch courses.

Educational Credentials:
Ph.D., Physics, University of Rhode Island
M.S., Physics, University of Rhode Island
B.S., Physics, University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka

Teaching Experience:
RPI, School of Architecture, Lighting Research Center
2011-present, Professor
2003-11 Associate Professor
1998-present Director of Research, LR
1996-03 Research Associate Professor
1992-96 Adjunct Professor

Professional Experience:
1990, Instructor, Physics Dept., University of Rhode Island.

Licenses/Registration: n/a (holds 24 patents)

Selected Publications and Recent Research:

Professional Memberships:
SPIE (International Society for Optics and Photonics).
Ted Ngai

Courses Taught (Four semesters prior to current visit):

Spring 2014  ARCH-4990  Final Project Studio 2
            ARCH-6990  Master's Thesis

Fall 2014    ARCH-4967  Robotic Material Assemblies
            ARCH-4980  Final Project Studio 1

Spring 2015  ARCH-4990  Final Project Studio 2
            ARCH-6980  Master’s Project

Fall 2015    ARCH-2820  Architectural Design Studio 3
            ARCH-4967  Robotic Material Assemblies
            ARCH-6980  Master’s Project

Educational Credentials:  Master of Architecture, Harvard University GSD
                        B. Architecture Southern California Institute of Architecture (SCI-Arc)

Teaching Experience:  2011-present, RPI School of Architecture, lecturer
                     2010-11, Pratt Institute, adjunct professor
                     2010, U.Penn, adjunct professor
                     2008-11, RPI Ctr for Arch., Science and Ecology, clinical assistant professor
                     2007-08, RPI School of Architecture, clinical assistant professor
                     2005-07, RPI School of Architecture, adjunct assistant professor

Professional Experience:  2003-present, atelier nGai, New York City, principal
                          2003-2008, deixis, New York City, co-principal
                          2002-2006, U N I Architecture, Cambridge, MA, co-principal
                          2007, borfax / B.L.U., Cambridge MA
                          2001, Neil M. Denari Architects, Los Angeles, CA
                          2000-01, OCDC, Los Angeles, CA, co-principal
                          2000-01, NBBJ, Los Angeles, CA
                          1999-2000, Daly Genik Architects, Los Angeles, CA

Licenses/Registration:  n/a

Selected Publications and Recent Research:

Professional Memberships:  n/a
Michael Oatman

Courses Taught:

Spring 2014
- ARCH-4240, 4250, 4260 Arch Design 4, 5, 6 - Cinetecture
- ARCH-4931 The Man Next Door (Hitchcock Seminar)

Fall 2014
- ARCH-4240, 4250, 4260 Arch Design 4, 5, 6 - Cinetecture
- ARCH-4961 Duchamp Seminar

Spring 2015
- ARCH-2810 First Year Studio
- ARCH-4961 The Man Next Door (Hitchcock Seminar)

Fall 2015
- ON SABBATICAL

Educational Credentials:
- Bachelor of Fine Arts, Rhode Island School of Design
- Master of Fine Arts, University at Albany
- 2-year non-degree Sign Painting Apprenticeship, Kershner Signs, Vermont

Teaching Experience:
- 2009-present RPI School of Architecture, Associate Professor
- 2006-09 RPI School of Architecture, Clinical Associate Professor
- 2000-06 RPI School of Architecture, Clinical Assistant Professor
- Also taught at RISD, Vermont College, Union Institute and University, St. Michael's College, Harvard University and as a private instructor.

Professional Experience:
- 2011 Co-curator (w/ Leah Rico), SWELL, inaugural exhibition, Contemporary Arts Center, Troy, NY
- Gallery Representation: Ellen Miller Gallery in Boston; MillerBlock Gallery in Boston; Lenore Gray Gallery in Rhode Island; Stremmel Gallery in Nevada; Mayson Gallery in NYC; and Miller Yezerski in Boston.

Extensive international exhibition history since 1985: 200+ shows + lectures + residencies at universities, museums and public venues.

Licenses/Registration: n/a

Selected Publications and Recent Research:
1. MASS MoCA commission of $400,000 (2006-2010) to produce “All Utopias Fell,” a permanent installation integrating solar power, historic artifacts and new architecture.
2. ScotiaBank Nuit Blanche 2014, $25,000 commission to produce “8th Wonder,” a giant inflatable sculpture for Union Station in Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

Professional Memberships: n/a
Zbigniew Oksiuta

Spring 2014  ARCH 4250 Studio Architecture Design 5&6
ARCH 4962 Seminar
Fall 2014  ARCH 4240, Studio Architecture Design 4
ARCH 4968 Seminar
Spring 2015  ARCH 2230 Studio Architectural Design 3
ARCH 4960 Seminar
Fall 2015  ARCH 4260, 4250, Studio, Architecture Design 6 (Rome)
ARCH-4964.4250, Seminar, (Rome)

Educational Credentials:
1970-78 Master of Architecture, Warsaw Technical University
1979-81 created the Centre for Theatre and Environmental Research, Jelenia Góra
1886-90 studied at Department History of Art, Technical University, Aachen, Germany

Teaching Experience:
2010-present Lecturer, RPI School of Architecture
Also taught at University of Applied Sciences in Cologne, and College of Fine Arts at Illinois State University.

Professional Experience:
1999 Museum of Fragrance, Cologne, in co-operation with Busmann & Haberer,
2002 Art units, Kunsthalle, Kunstverein, Cologne
2003 Second-hand Architecture, Cologne, Poland
2006-2008 La Bulle six coques, France, Germany, Poland
2012-15 General renovation of the one family building, Poland
2006-15 La Bulle six coques, France, Germany, Poland

Licenses/Registration:  n/a

Selected Publications:
2013 Zbigniew Oksiuta. Architect. Visionary. Talking about the architecture of the XXI Century, Gazeta Wyborcza, Bialystok, Poland
2014 Zbigniew Oksiuta "House as Bioreactor" For the book "Bio-tehnologiczny swiat. Bio art oraz sztuka technonaukowa w czasach posthumanizmu i transhumanizmu", Poland
2014 Zbigniew Oksiuta, “Plechy, Spory, Zarodniki” Kwartalnik Rzut, Warsaw, Poland
2014 Zbigniew Oksiuta,"Ja komornik" by Zbigniew Oksiuta, text for book Lodz, Poland
2014, Zbigniew Oksiuta, Habitat Biologiczny (Biological Habitat), Architektura, Dec. 2014, Poland

Recent Research:
1. Spatium Gelatum Technology, studies the rules for forming liquid and gel objects using biological polymers
2. Breeding Spaces, studies the possibilities of breeding living organisms in architectural bioreactors
3. We have weightlessness on Earth, Creating liquid spaces under water using neutral buoyancy
4. The Space Garden, technologies of creating of mini biospheres in Space

Professional Memberships:  n/a
Stefano Passeri

Courses Taught:

- **Spring 2014**: n/a
- **Fall 2014**: n/a
- **Spring 2015**: n/a
- **Fall 2015**: ARCH-2800 Architecture Design Studio 1, ARCH-4980 Final Project Studio 1

Educational Credentials:

- M. Arch II, Southern California Institute of Architecture (Gehry Prize for Best Thesis, 2013)
- B.Sc., Architecture, Bartlett School of Architecture, London
- M.A., Philosophy, Birkbeck College, Univ. of London
- B.A., Fine Art, Froebel College, Univ. of Surrey, London

Teaching Experience:

- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute School of Architecture
  - Lecturer, 2015-16
- SCI-Arc
  - Instructor, 2015
  - Teaching Fellow, 2013-14
  - Teaching Assistant, 2011-12

Professional Experience:

5. Designer, Xefirotarch, Los Angeles, 2012-13
6. Designer, HOK (now Populous), London and NYC, 2011-12

Licenses/Registration:

- n/a

Selected Publications and Recent Research:


Professional Memberships:

- n/a
Elena Perez-Guembe

Courses Taught (Four semesters prior to current visit):

- **Spring 2014**
  - ARCH-2230  Architecture Design 3

- **Fall 2014**
  - Design studios in Rome

- **Spring 2015**
  - ARCH-2230  Architecture Design 3
  - ARCH-4962  Sculpting the Intangible
  - ARCH-2630  Graduate Architecture Design 3

- **Fall 2015**
  - n/a

Educational Credentials:

Teaching Experience:
- 2011-Present  RPI School of Architecture, Lecturer
  - Also served as a critic and as a teaching assistant at Pratt Institute, Univ. Virginia, Columbia Univ., and Barnard College

Professional Experience:
- **2008-11** Grimshaw Architects, New York City
  - Projects: Croton Water Treatment Plant, NY (Built)
  - Competitions: Four Mile Run Bridge, Virginia (1st Prize), Hunter’s Point affordable housing, NY (Finalist), New Doha International Airport, Masterplan and key buildings design: Quatar Airways Headquarters (1st Prize)

- **2004-06** Rafael Moneo’s Office, Madrid, Spain
  - Projects: Aragonia (Built)
  - Competitions: Kolizej Areal, Ljubljana, Slovenia (2nd Prize), City of Las Palmas’ Harbor area, Canary Islands, Spain.

- **2003-04** Zaha Hadid Architects, London, UK
  - Projects: Pierres Vives, Projet Herault-Culture Sport, Montpellier. France (Built), Guggenheim Museum Taichung, Taiwan.
  - Competitions: University of Fine Arts, Connecticut. BBC Music Center, London. UK. (2nd Prize), Afragola Railway Station, Naples. Italy (1st Prize), Urban Planning Beijing, China (1st Prize), EWHU University Campus Center Project, Seoul, South Korea (2nd Prize)

Licenses/Registration:  Licensed Architect in Spain since 2002

Selected Publications and Recent Research:
- 2. 2013. Pratt Institute Visiting Scholar, Ceramics Department. NY
- 6. 2007. Conducted Research at MoMA’s Archive for the exhibition “Women Artists at MoMA”. Organized by Deborah Wye, Chief curator of Illustrations and Prints Department.

Professional Memberships:
- HNA Hermandad Nacional de Arquitectos . Spain.
Chris Perry

Courses Taught (Four semesters prior to current visit):

Spring 2014  ARCH-4990  Final Project Studio 2
             ARCH-6990  Master’s Thesis

Fall 2014    ARCH-4980  Final Project Studio 1
             ARCH-6980  Master’s Project

Spring 2015  ARCH-4990  Final Project Studio 2
             ARCH-6980  Master’s Project

Fall 2015    ARCH-4980  Final Project Studio 1
             ARCH-6980  Master’s Project

Educational Credentials:  Master of Architecture, Columbia University GSAPP
                         B.A. Philosophy, Colgate University

Teaching Experience: RPI School of Architecture
                     2014-present  Head of Graduate Studies
                     2011-present  Assistant Professor of Architecture
                     2010-11  Adjunct Assistant Professor
                     Pratt Institute, 2009-10, Adjunct Assistant Professor
                     Yale University, 2009-10, Louis I Kahn Visiting Asst. Professor
                     Also taught at Parsons School of Design, Rice University, Univ. Toronto,
                     Cornell Univ., RMIT University, Columbia University, and Univ. Pennsylvania.

Professional Experience: 2011-present  Principal, pneumastudio (design firm)
                         1999-2010  Principal, servo (design studio)
                         1997-99  Project Designer, Stan Allen Architect

Licenses/Registration: n/a

Selected Publications and Recent Research:

Professional Memberships:
Mark Rea, Ph.D.

Courses Taught (Four semesters prior to current visit):
Prof. Rea teaches in the graduate Lighting program. He does not teach B.Arch or M.Arch courses.

Educational Credentials:
- Ph.D., Biophysics, Ohio State University
- M.S., Biophysics, Ohio State University
- M.A., Psychology, Ohio State University
- B.A., Psychology, Ohio State University

Teaching Experience:
- RPI School of Architecture, Lighting Research Center
  - 1994-present: Professor (and joint-appointment Professor, Cognitive Science)
  - 1988-1994: Associate Professor
  - 1988-present: Director, Lighting Research Center
  - 1988-92: Adjunct Assoc. Professor, Psychology Dept., RPI
  - 1987-88: Adjunct Professor, Psychology Dept., Carleton Univ., Canada

Professional Experience:
- 1988: Manager, Indoor Environment Program & Sr. Research Officer, National Research Council, Canada
- 1980-87: Research Officer, National Research Council, Canada
- 1978-80: Consulting Scientist, National Research Council, Canada
- 1972-78: Research Associate, Inst. for Research in Vision, Ohio State Univ.

Licenses/Registration:
- n/a

Selected Publications and Recent Research:

Professional Memberships:
- Illuminating Engineering Society of North America
- Commission Internationale de l’Eclairage de la CIE
- Optical Society of America
- Society for Light and Lighting (UK)
- Chartered Institution of Building Services Engineers (UK)
- Society for Research on Biological Rhythms
- Society for Light Treatment and Biological Rhythms
M. Casey Rehm

Courses Taught:
- **Spring 2014**: ARCH-6980 Master’s Project
- **Fall 2014**: n/a
- **Spring 2015**: n/a
- **Fall 2015**: n/a

Educational Credentials:
- M.S., Advanced Algorithmic Design, Columbia University
- B. Arch, Carnegie Mellon University
- Also studied at SCI-Arc and Univ. Wisconsin

Teaching Experience:
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, School of Architecture
  - 2011-2013 Adjunct Faculty
- Pratt Institute
  - 2013 Guest Researcher and Critic
- University of Pennsylvania
  - 2010 Lecturer

Professional Experience:
1. Principal, Kinch, a Brooklyn-based studio providing design and consulting services, 2012-present.
2. Project Captain/Senior Designer, Kokkugia, 2010-2011.
5. Senior Designer, Graft, Los Angeles, CA, and Berlin, Germany, 2006-2008

Licenses/Registration: n/a

Selected Publications and Recent Research:
1. **Core 77**, 2013, Video interview and cited images of involvement with the New Skins workshop on 3D printed fashion.
2. **SuckerPunch**, 2013, Student work from a studio taught at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, focused on utilizing multi-agent systems toward production of affective drawings.
4. **Audi Experiments in Motion Exhibition**, 2012, New York City. Audi’s exhibition concluding a one-year research partnership with Columbia University, developed a 40-foot animated map of New York’s transportation system. The map networked to real-world data from MTA’s servers and presented representation on traffic for subway, bike, bus and ferry traffic in Manhattan.
5. **Swarm Intelligence**, 2011, exhibition in Shanghai, China, curated by Neil Leach in collaboration with USC and Tongji University. Images and text of my project, “Agency and Figuration,” included in both the exhibition and catalog.

Professional Memberships: n/a
Alexandra R. Rempel, Ph.D.

Courses Taught (Four semesters prior to current visit):

ARCH 2360: Environmental and Ecological Systems

Fall 2014: ARCH 4960: Bioclimatic Design
ARCH 6320: Built Ecologies I

ARCH 2360: Environmental and Ecological Systems

Fall 2015: ARCH 2800: Architectural Design Studio I (Building Science section)

Educational Credentials:
M. Arch., University of Oregon
Ph.D. Biology, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
B.A. Biochemistry, Harvard College

Teaching Experience:
2014-present RPI School of Architecture, Assistant Professor
2011-14 Univ Oregon, Environ. Studies Program, Research Asst. Professor
2012-13 Boston Architectural College, Online Instructor
2006-08 Univ. Oregon, Graduate Teaching & Research Fellow
1999-2005 Colorado School of Mines, Env.. Sci & Eng., Assistant Professor
1996-1999 Duke University, School of the Environment, Assistant Professor

Professional Experience:
2009-11 Solarc Architecture & Engineering, building scientist
2008, BCRA Architecture & Engineering, Visiting Building Scientist

Licenses/Registration: In process

Selected Publications and Recent Research:

Professional Memberships:
1. American Solar Energy Society
2. Society of Building Science Educators
3. American Institute of Architects

Service:
1. 2013-present, Secretary and Treasurer, Society of Building Science Educators
2. 2013-present, Technical Reviewer, Annual Meetings of the American Solar Energy Society
3. 2015, Technical Reviewer, Symposium on Simulation in Urban Design
4. 2013, Technical Reviewer, National Science Foundation, Environmental Sustainability Program (Engineering Directorate)
Andrew Saunders

Courses Taught (Four semesters prior to current visit):

Spring 2014  ARCH-2220  Architecture Design 2
             ARCH-2620  Graduate Architecture Design 2
             ARCH-4240, 4250, 4260  Architecture Design 4, 5, 6

Fall 2014  n/a

Spring 2015  n/a

Fall 2015  n/a

Educational Credentials:  M. Architecture, Harvard Graduate School of Design
                         B. Architecture, University of Arkansas

Teaching Experience:  2007-14 RPI School of Architecture, Asst Professor and Publications Director
                     2004-07 RPI School of Architecture, Clinical Professor
                     2006-07 Cranbrook Academy of Art, Visiting Lecturer
                     2002-04 Harvard Graduate School of Design, Teaching Assistant
                     2001-02 Cooper Union, Adjunct Professor
                     1998 University of Arkansas, Teaching Assistant

Professional Experience:  2004-14 Founder, Andrew Saunders Design Studio, Troy, NY
                          2002-04 Lead Project Designer, Preston Scott Cohen Architects, MA
                          2000-02 Lead Project Designer, Eisenman Architects, NYC
                          1999-00 Lead Project Designer, Thomas Leeser Architects, NYC
                          1999 Design Consultant, David Weiner Architects, NYC
                          1999 Design Consultant, World Space Corp., NYC

Licenses/Registration:  n/a

Selected Publications and Recent Research:

1. Invited contribution in Architecture In:Formation, Chapter Title: Information Affect discusses
   the role of deep structures relative to the output of information in spatial perception.
   Published by The Hyde Collection, 2012.
5. Exhibition: Wild Cards, peer-reviewed ACADIA projects and curated projects from emerging
   West Coast design firms, California College of the Arts, San Francisco, 2012.

Professional Memberships:  American Institute of Architects, Associate Member (AIA)
                           National Council for Architecture Registration Boards (NCARB)
                           Association for Computer Aided Design in Architecture (ACADIA)
                           Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture (ACSA)
Peter R.H. Stark

Courses Taught:

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Educational Credentials:
- Ph.D., Biophysics, Harvard University
- M.S., Physics, San Jose State University
- B.S., Mechanical Engineering, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Teaching Experience:
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
  - Assistant Professor, 2011
  - Clinical Associate Professor, 2010
- Harvard Medical School
  - Faculty Research Associate
  - Senior Physicist/Technical Director

Professional Experience:
1. HeliOptix, LLC, Founder and Chief Technology Officer
2. Tissue Regeneration/Serica Technologies, Member of Scientific Advisory Board
3. Arthur D. Little, Inc., Physicist/Sr. Consultant
4. Arthur D. Little, Inc., Mechanical Engineer/Consultant

Licenses/Registration: n/a

Selected Publications and Recent Research:

Professional Memberships:
- Optical Society of America (OSA), member
- Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE), member
- Materials Research Society (MRS), member
Anthony Titus

Courses Taught (Four semesters prior to current visit):

**Spring 2014:**
- Arch 2210 01 - Architecture Design 1
- Arch 4696 - The Architecture of the Screen – Seminar

**Fall 2014:**
- Arch 2800 01 - Architectural Design Studio 1
- Arch 2160 01 - Architectural Media

**Spring 2015:**
- Arch 2810 01 - Architectural Design Studio 2
- Arch 4070 - Twisted Siblings - Seminar

**Fall 2015:**
- Arch 2800 01 - Architectural Design Studio 1
- Arch 2160 01 - Architectural Media

Educational Credentials:
- Master of Fine Art, Univ. Chicago, Committee of the Visual Arts
- B. Architecture, Cooper Union

Teaching Experience:
- 2011-present RPI School of Architecture, Assistant Professor
- 2009-2011 RPI School of Architecture, Clinical Professor
- 2002-2011 Cooper Union Irwin S. Chanin School of Architecture
- 2005-2011 Pratt Institute School of Architecture

Professional Experience:
- 2013-15 – group exhibition, “Vienna for Art’s Sake!”
- 2012 – solo exhibition, “Sleeping Life,” Rensselaer Black Box Gallery

Licenses/Registration:
- n/a

Selected Publications and Recent Research:
1. The Reality of Ideals, Slow Manifesto Lebbeus Woods, Claire Jacobson (ed), 201
2. Ends and Beginnings, Slow Manifesto Lebbeus Woods, Claire Jacobson (ed), 2015
3. Christoph a. Kumpusch PhD. Detail Culture, 2015 (Upcoming)
4. Peter Noever, Vienna for Art’s Sake! - Exhibition Catalog, 2014,
7. Eyes To The Ground, Visionary Notions Of The Urban Landscape, Urban Hopes, Made In China By Steven Holl, Christoph a. Kumpusch (ed), 2014

Professional Memberships:
- Alpha Ro Chi
- National Professional Fraternity for Architecture and the Allied Arts
Jason O. Vollen, RA, NCARB

Courses Taught:

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Educational Credentials:
- Master of Architecture II, Cranbrook Academy of Art
- Bachelor of Architecture, Cooper Union

Teaching Experience:
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
  - Associate Professor with tenure, 2008 - 2014
  - Associate Director, Center for Architecture, Science and Ecology (CASE)
- University of Arizona
  - Research Affiliate, 2009-10
  - Assistant Professor, 2003-2008
- Also taught at New York Institute of Technology, Mississippi State Univ., and Cranbrook Academy of Art.

Professional Experience:
1. Owner/Founder, Regenerative Building Technologies Ltd., New York City.
2. Partner, Merge Studio, New York City.
3. Founder/Principal, Binary Design, Tucson, AZ
4. Consultant, Matter Architecture Practice, Brooklyn, NY
5. Designer/Project Manager, Zaretsky Architect, P.C., New York City
6. Designer in Residence, Jackson Community Design Center, Jackson, Mississippi
7. Project Designer/Fabricator/Foreman, Cranbrook Architecture Office, Bloomfield Hills, MI

Licenses/Registration:
- Licensed Architect in New York State.

Selected Publications and Recent Research:

Professional Memberships:
- ACORE – American Council on Renewable Energy, member
- AzRISE – Arizone Research Institute for Solar Energy, affiliate member
- CTBUH – Center for Tall Buildings and Urban Habitats, committee member
- NCARB – National Council for Architecture Registration Boards, certification
Ning Xiang, Ph.D.

Courses Taught (Four semesters prior to current visit):
Spring 2014    ARCH-6880  Sonics Research Lab 2
Fall 2014      ARCH-6840  Engineering Acoustics
                ARCH-6870  Sonics Research Lab 1
Spring 2015    ARCH-6880  Sonics Research Lab 2
Fall 2015      ARCH-6840  Engineering Acoustics
                ARCH-6870  Sonics Research Lab 1

Educational Credentials:    B.S., Tianjin University, China
                            M.S., Ruhr University, Bochum, Germany
                            Ph.D., Ruhr University, Bochum, Germany

Teaching Experience:    2003-present, Associate Professor, Acoustics Program, RPI School of
                        Architecture

Professional Experience:  1998-03, Research Scientist and Research Associate Professor,
                        National Center for Physical Acoustics, Dept. Electrical
                        Engineering, Univ. Mississippi.
                        1997, Research Scientist, Fraunhofer Institute for Building Physics,
                        Germany.
                        1990-96, Research Scientist/Engineer, Head of Acoustics Inc.,
                        Germany.

Licenses/Registration:  n/a

Selected Publications and Recent Research:
   Volume in Honor of Manfred R. Schroeder, Springer.
2. Xiang, N., Xie, B.-S. and Cox, Trevor J. (2015), Recent applications of number-theoretic
   sequences in audio and acoustics, in Acoustics, Communication and Information – Memorial
   and Information – Memorial Volume in Honor of Manfred R. Schroeder, ed. N. Xiang and G.
4. Xiang, N. (2015), Advances of Acoustics Research in Coupled Spaces, ACTA ACUSTICA (in
   Chinese), 40, in press.
   Express Letters, 137, in press.

                             German Acoustical Society
                             Audio Engineering Society
                             Acoustical Society of America, Fellow
                             Institute of Acoustics (UK), Fellow
Faculty Matrices
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<td>Building &amp; Thinking I</td>
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<td>Braasch, Jonas</td>
<td>Assoc. Professor; Director of Center for Cognition, Communication and Culture. Faculty member since 2006. Acoustics focus. Ph.D.-musicology and electrical eng, Ruhr University, Germany. Undergrad degree in physics.</td>
<td>ARCH-4860/6860</td>
<td>Applied Psychoacoustics</td>
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<td>ARCH-4932</td>
<td>Environmental History &amp; Theory (at CASE)</td>
<td>ARCH-6310</td>
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<td>Full Professor, Director of Lighting Research Center, PhD Ohio State, Research expertise: modeling human visual response to light, development of analytical techniques to quantify circadian disruption.</td>
<td>Prof. Rea teaches in the graduate lighting program. He does not teach B.Arch or M.Arch courses.</td>
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<td>Lecturer. Recent research: Self-Assembling and Robotic Material Systems, Bio /Geo Chemical Landscapes, Building Systems Integration. Past research: active modular phytoremediation system, rapid manufacturing, computational geometry, GIS.</td>
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<td>Rainey, Theresa</td>
<td>BS-Mechanical Eng-Oregon State Univ. LEED Accredited. 2006-present – Associate Director at Skidmore, Owings &amp; Merrill in Washington, DC. Focus: sustainable engineering.</td>
<td>ARCH-6965 Energy &amp; Systems Simulation II (NYC)</td>
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<td>Reilly, Stephen</td>
<td>23 years professional experience; Planning Board Commissioner; National Repositioning Ambassador, AIA; Guest Speaker/Peer Reviewer APTI; Adjunct since 2000; Partner, Lacey Thaler Reilly Wilson, LLP.</td>
<td>ARCH-4540 Professional Practice I</td>
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<td>Thomsen, Lauren</td>
<td>AIA, LEED AP BD+C, architect at EYP Architecture and Engineering, working on large scale higher education and government projects. Interest in high performance building design.</td>
<td>ARCH-4300 Design Development – computing component</td>
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<td>Bell, David</td>
<td>Bell has taught for 38 years. A licensed architect, his expertise is in history, theory, and criticism and currently writes on these subjects.</td>
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<td>Ethos of Architecture</td>
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<td>Braasch, Jonas</td>
<td>Assoc. Professor; Director of Center for Cognition, Communication and Culture. Faculty member since 2006. Acoustics focus. Ph.D.-musicology and electrical eng. Ruhr University, Germany. Undergrad degree in physics.</td>
<td>ARCH-4860/6860</td>
<td>Applied Psychoaoustics</td>
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<td>Dyson, Anna</td>
<td>M Arch-Yale Univ.; Baccalaureat General-Univ Laval (Quebec). Full Professor. Director of RPI Institute Center, CASE, in NYC. Focus: built ecologies.</td>
<td>ARCH-6810.81</td>
<td>Research Design Seminar</td>
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<td>Leslie, Russ</td>
<td>Full Professor. Associate Director of Lighting Research Center. Lighting specialty. Prof. Leslie teaches in the graduate Lighting program. He does not teach B.Arch or M.Arch courses.</td>
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<td>Mistur, Mark</td>
<td>Assoc. Professor and Assoc. Dean. MS Bldg Conservation, B-Arch, B.S. Bldg Sci. – RPI. Licensed Architect in NYS. Leads initiatives in interdisciplinary A/E education; performance based design and design/technology integration.</td>
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<td>Narendran, Nadarajah</td>
<td>Full Professor. Lighting Specialty. Prof. Narendran teaches in the graduate Lighting program. He</td>
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*Faculty Matrix – Fall 2014 and Spring 2015*
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<td>Rea, Mark</td>
<td>Professor, Director of Lighting Research Center, PhD Ohio State, Research expertise: modeling human visual response to light, development of analytical techniques to quantify circadian disruption.</td>
<td>Prof. Rea teaches in the graduate lighting program. He does not teach B.Arch or M.Arch courses.</td>
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<td>Xiang, Ning</td>
<td>Obtained doctoral degree in architectural acoustics with six-year industry experience developing acoustics measurement techniques. Interests include performance hall acoustics, noise, and acoustics in healthcare.</td>
<td>ARCH-6870, ARCH-6840, Engineering, Acoustics, ARCH-6830, Graduate Thesis Seminar – Acoustics, ARCH-6880, Sonics Research Lab 2</td>
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**Tenure-Track Faculty**

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<td>Crembli, Gustavo</td>
<td>Asst. Professor since 2009; became tenured Assoc. Professor July 2015. M Arch, Cranbrook Academy of Art; Professional Architect Diploma from Universidad de Cordoba in Argentina.</td>
<td>ARCH-4980, B Arch Final Project 1, Architectural Case Studies, ARCH-4990, B Arch Final Project 2, ARCH-6980, Master’s Project</td>
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<td>Diniz, Nancy</td>
<td>(started Spring semester) Joined RPI in 2014, was Associate Professor at Xi’an Jiaotong-Liverpool University in China. MSc and PhD from Bartlett School in UK. Research in biomaterials.</td>
<td>ARCH-4580.8, Materials Systems &amp; Prod.</td>
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<td>Rempel, Alexandra</td>
<td>Asst. Professor since 2014; M.Arch., University of Oregon; Ph.D. Biology, MIT; B.A. Biochemistry, Harvard College. Focus: bioclimatic design; passive systems; energy modeling.</td>
<td>ARCH-4960 Bioclimatic Design ARCH-2370 Energy, Comfort and Ecology ARCH-2360 Environmental &amp; Ecol, Systems ARCH-6320 Built Ecologies</td>
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<td>Titus, Anthony</td>
<td>Assistant Professor since 2011. B Arch-Cooper Union; MFA-Univ. Chicago.</td>
<td>ARCH-2800 Arch Design Studio 1 - coord. ARCH-2160 Architectural Media ARCH-2810 Arch Design Studio 2 - coordinator ARCH-4070 Twisted Siblings: Rel'ships Btw Painting &amp; Digital Architecture</td>
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<td>Aqtash, Ajmal (fall semester)</td>
<td>MS Arch from Columbia Univ; B Arch from Pratt. Co-founder of Form-ula multidisciplinary design firm in NYC.</td>
<td>ARCH-2350 Construction Systems ARCH-2510 Materials &amp; Design ARCH-4300 Design Development ARCH-4560 Materials &amp; Enclosures</td>
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<td>Bierman, Andrew</td>
<td>Holds an MS in Lighting degree; holds 3 patents in lighting technologies; has over 20 years of experience conducting research in lighting controls, photometry, and systems.</td>
<td>LGHT-4770 Lighting Technology &amp; Applications</td>
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<td>Brons, Jennifer</td>
<td>Holds an MS in Lighting degree; has worked for an international lighting design firm; has over 15 years of experience in lighting design, analysis, and evaluation.</td>
<td>LGHT-4230 Lighting Design</td>
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<td>Comodromos, Demetrios</td>
<td>Professor of Practice; managing partner/owner 12- person Method Design Architecture and Urbanism in NYC. Registered Architect in NY-NJ-PA-DE-CT. MS Advanced Arch Design, Columbia; B Arch/BS, RPI</td>
<td>ARCH-4360 Grad Arch Design 4 (in New York City) ARCH-4170.8 Env. Parametrics (NYC) ARCH-4240.8 Arch Design 4 (NYC) ARCH-4260.8 Arch Design 6 (NYC) ARCH-4250.8 Arch Design Studio 5 (NYC) ARCH-6370.8 Environmental Parametrics Workshop</td>
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<td>Dayem, Adam</td>
<td>Registered Architect (NY) and educator based in Brooklyn. Founded actual/office in 2004. B Arts in Architecture from U Calif-Berkeley; M Arch from Columbia.</td>
<td>ARCH-2520 Digital Constructs 1 ARCH-2800 Arch Design Studio 1 ARCH-2530 Digital Constructs 2 ARCH-2230 Arch Design 3 ARCH-2630 Grad Arch Design 3</td>
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<td>Draper, Josh</td>
<td>Architect and founder (2009) partner PrePost in Brooklyn. B Arch from KTH in Sweden; M Arch from Columbia Univ.</td>
<td>ARCH-4936.8 Research Investigations: Projects in Built Ecologies ARCH-4160.8 Research Investigations (NYC) ARCH-6350.8 Material Systems &amp; Productions</td>
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<td>Freyssnier, Jean Paul</td>
<td>MS in Lighting degree; two patents in lighting technologies; over 20 years of experience conducting research in lighting controls, photometry, and systems.</td>
<td>LGHT-4770 Lighting Tech and Applications</td>
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years of experience in lighting engineering and technology research.

**Hower, James Fleet**  
BA-English-Georgetown Univ; M Arch and M Landscape Arch, both Univ. Pennsylvania. Fleet Hower LLC is a design office in New York.

**Laufs, Wilfred**  

**Moran, Brendan**  
Ph.D. History/Theory Architecture, Harvard; Master’s Environmental Design, Yale.

**Ngai, Ted**  
Recent research: Self-Assembling and Robotic Assembling Material Systems, Bio /Geo Chemical Landscapes, Building Systems Integration. Past research: active modular phytoremediation system, rapid manufacturing, computational geometry, GIS.

**Oksiuta, Zbigniew**  
Studied architecture at Warsaw Technical Univ., Poland; and history of art at the Technical Univ. in Aachen, Germany.

**Perez-Guembé, E.**  
MS AAD and AAR Columbia University (2006-08); M Urbanism and BA Arch Univ. Navarra, Spain (1995-02). Licensed Architect since 2002, Spain. EKWC residence award (2013-14), the Netherlands. See below for courses taught in Rome during study-abroad semester with students.

**Adjunct Faculty**

**Aqtash, Ajmal (spring semester)**  
MS Arch from Columbia Univ; B Arch from Pratt. Co-founder of Form-ula multidisciplinary design firm in NYC.

**Bitonti, Francis**  
M Arch-Pratt Institute; BFA-Digital media-Long Island University. Founder/Director of Francis Bitonti Studio in NYC.

**Brooks, Todd**  
Associate at Arup in NYC. Adjunct since 2009. PhD candidate at Yale
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<td>Chen, Xuedi</td>
<td>Univ. MS mechanical eng., BS physics with minor in music.</td>
<td>ARCH-4240 Arch Design 4 ARCH-4250 Arch Design 5 ARCH-4260 Arch Design 6 ARCH-4360 Grad Arch Design 4</td>
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<td>Churchill, Erik</td>
<td>M Arch and MBA from U Oregon, BA American Civilization from Brown Univ. Founder of Bldgworks in NYC; a design and build practice.</td>
<td>ARCH-4300 Design Development</td>
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<td>Duman, Koray</td>
<td>M Arch-UCLA; B Arch-Middle Eastern Technical Univ (Turkey). Principal: Buro Koray Duman in NYC.</td>
<td>ARCH-4963 Integrated Design Schematic</td>
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<td>Erel, Yael</td>
<td>Registered Architect-NY-Israel. Post-professional MArch from RPI; BArch from Cooper Union. Expertise in lighting. Holds 1 patent. Experience teaching architecture studio since 2004.</td>
<td>ARCH-2800 Arch Design Studio 1 ARCH-2810 Arch Design Studio 2</td>
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<td>Fessel, Melanie</td>
<td>Director of Design at Terraform ONE and Managing Editor of Ecogram. Architect, principal Open Network Ecology Odyssey in Brooklyn, M Arch II from Cooper Union.</td>
<td>ARCH-4240 Arch Design 4 ARCH-4250 Arch Design 5 ARCH-4260 Arch Design 6</td>
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<td>Holmes, Oliver</td>
<td>Adjunct faculty. Independent consultant on energy and sustainability projects. Trainer of sustainability programs for Urban Green Council, BS mechanical eng.-Syracuse Univ. BS mathematics-SUNY Oneonta.</td>
<td>ARCH-4750 Sustainable Building Design Metrics ARCH-4730 Sustainable Building Design Strategies ARCH-4740 Building Systems &amp; Environments</td>
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<td>Ionescu, Serban</td>
<td>B Arch- Pratt Institute. Established Serban Ionescu Studio in Brooklyn in 2010.</td>
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<td>Joachim, Mitchell</td>
<td>Ph.D. Architecture, MIT. M Arch from Harvard; M Arch from Columbia. Assoc. Prof. of Practice at NYU. Founder/co-president Terreform ONE in Brooklyn.</td>
<td>ARCH-4240 Arch Design 4 ARCH-4250 Arch Design 5 ARCH-4260 Arch Design 6</td>
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<td>Leitao, Carla</td>
<td>Licensed architect in Europe. Co-founder / Principal Speculatis Aeterna; AUM Studio in NYC. Ph.D. candidates at EGS, Saas-Fee in Switzerland. MS Columbia Univ.</td>
<td>ARCH-4980 B Arch Final Project 1 ARCH-4990 B Arch Final Project 2 ARCH-6980 Master’s Project</td>
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<td>Liu, Edwin</td>
<td>B Arch Calif. State Polytechnic; MS Arch. Design, Columbia Univ. Principal of ISOFORM, a design consultancy.</td>
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Mutlu, Murat  Registered architect NY-MA-VA.  Founder/Principal of INOA/ International Office of Architects.  B Arch-Cornell Univ. MS Arch-MIT.  Focus: computation and design.


Reilly, Stephen  23 years professional experience; Planning Board Commissioner; National Repositioning Ambassador, AIA; Guest Speaker/Peer Reviewer APTI; Adjunct since 2000; Partner, Lacey Thaler Reilly Wilson, LLP.

Stover, Kyle  M Arch-Yale; BS Arch-Univ Cincinnati. Founded (2013) Kyle Rx Stover Architecture and Design in NYC.

Thomsen, Lauren  AIA, LEED AP BD+C, architect at EYP Architecture and Engineering, working on large scale higher education and government projects. Interest in high performance building design.

Yazdanseta, Farzam  MS Advanced Arch Design- Columbia Univ.; M Arch-U Maryland, BA-U Maryland. Project architect with Actual / Office LLC in NYC.

Note: Elena Perez-Guembe taught the following courses in Italy to students on a study-abroad semester:

ARCH-4240.5 Arch Design 4  ARCH-4966.5 Urban and Architectural History of Rome (taught by Rome faculty)
ARCH-4250.5 Arch Design 5  ARCH-4972.5 Art and Culture in Italy (taught by Rome faculty)
ARCH-4260.5 Arch Design 6  ARCH-4973.5 Historic Preservation (taught by Rome faculty)
ARCH-4964.5 Sculpting the Intangible
ARCH-4965.5 Modern Contemporary Rome (taught by Rome faculty)

Note: Prof. David Bell taught the following courses to students in India on a study-abroad semester:

ARCH-4260.7 Arch Design 6  ARCH-4770.7 Arch Design Studio 5
ARCH-4965.7 India Discovery  ARCH-4970.7 Arch & the Urban Condition in India (taught by CEPT)
ARCH-4974.7 Culture & Civ. of India (taught by CEPT)  ARCH-4976.7 Topics in Architecture
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| Ajmal Aqtash | **Lectures / Invited Conferences**  

**Curation**  
Buck House Gallery: Haresh Lalvani XtraD (April 2011) Exhibition, New York, New York, 35 piece opening of metal sculptures, 1,000 sq ft gallery  
de Castellane Gallery/core.form-ula: Haresh Lalvani 2point5D+ (Sept 2010) Exhibition, Brooklyn, New York, 24 piece opening of metal sculptures, 2,000 sq ft gallery + 5,000 sq ft outdoor exhibit  
de Castellane Gallery/core.form-ula: Miya Ando, Shinobu (June 2010) Exhibition, Brooklyn, New York, 12 piece opening pertaining to metal sculptures, 2,000 sq ft gallery  

**Publications**  
2013 BOB Magazine (sushi-teria)  
2012 SPA-DE Magazine (sushi-teria)  
2012: World wide Architecture:40 Architects/ 40 Countries  
2012: Young Architects 13: Princeton Architectural Press  
2011: Prattfolio, What is next  
2010: Metropolis Magazine, Building New Skins |
| David Bell | **Books**  
2. *Jefferson’s University as American Dream*, PIINTHESKY PRESS, Troy, NY, 2014  

**Articles and Essays**  

**Public Lectures**  
1. “Bernini & Borromini”, delivered at CEPT University, Feb 2015  
2. “[Be]Spoken into the Void”, delivered at CEPT University, Feb 2015  
## Current Research
Le Corbusier’s design of the Millowners Building in Ahmedabad, India

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<td>1.) <em>Deep Listening Band (2014) Dunrobin Sonic Gems</em>, Pauline Oliveros (V-Accordion, Conch Shell), Stuart Dempster (Trombone, Didjeridu), Jonas Braasch (Percussion), IONE (Opening Invocation), Jesse Stewart (Percussion), Johannes Welsch (Gongs), recorded live on October 5, 2013 at the Dunrobin Sonic Gym, Deep Listening Records.</td>
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4.) Pauline Oliveros, Francisco López, Doug Van Nort, Jonas Braasch (2011) *Quartet for the End of Space*, Pauline Oliveros, digital accordion; Francisco López (electronics), Doug Van Nort (electronics), Jonas Braasch (soprano saxophone), work contains 8 electroacoustic compositions (2 from each composer) based on improvised session material with the ensemble, audio compact disk, Pogus Records 21059-2.

**Journal Articles in Refereed Journals**


Articles in Peer-Reviewed Conference Proceedings


S. Ellis, N. Sundar Govindarajulu, J. Valerio, S. Bringsjord, J. Braasch (2013) Creativity in Artificial Intelligence as a Hybrid of Logic and Spontaneity, in: Computational Creativity, Concept Invention, and General Intelligence (C3GI)Workshop at the 23rd International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI), 3–9 August, 2013, Beijing, China.

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**Articles in Conference Proceedings (wit peer review based on 750-words precis)**

M.T. Pastore and J. Braasch. The effects of interaural level differences caused by interference between lead and lag on summing localization. 135th AES Convention, New York City, 2013.


Non-Refereed Conference Papers & Abstracts


**Abstracts, Letters of Correspondence, Book Reviews (non-refereed)**

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<td>J. Braasch</td>
<td>Effect of generators and resonators on musical timbre in coupled systems</td>
<td>J. Acoust. Soc. Am.</td>
<td>135</td>
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<td>J. Parkman Carter, J. Braasch</td>
<td>Cross-modal soundscape mapping: Integrating ambisonic field recordings with high dynamic range spherical panoramic photography to produce interactive maps</td>
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<td>N. Xiang, J. Braasch, T. Brooks</td>
<td>Graduate education and research in architectural acoustics at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute</td>
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<td>Li, V. Xiang, N. and Braasch, J.</td>
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<td>February 26, 2012</td>
<td>Pauline Oliveros Solo/Triple Point, The Stone, NYC.</td>
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<td>Deep Listening Band, 25th anniversary celebration, Dunrobin Sonic Gym, Ottawa, Canada, Oct. 5, 2013, Pauline Oliveros - v-accordion, conch shells, sonic artifacts; Stuart Dempster; trombone, didgeridoo, conch shells; Jonas Braasch - saxophone, electronics; Jesse Stewart - percussion, drums, waterphone, sonic artifacts; Johannes Welsch - gongs</td>
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<td>Saxophone Solo, Marathon of Dreamers, Deep Listening Institute, October 19, 2013, Kingston NY</td>
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Institute, Kingston, NY. Presentation of composed pieces that were sculpted from studio improvisation sessions, followed by a quartet improvisation.

[C3-18] September 08, 2010: North South Currents: Bogota/Troy/Guelph, EMPAC Theater, Featured together in a telematic performance accordion legend Pauline Oliveros performs live in Guelph (ON, Canada) with Anne Bourne (cello), Guelph’s own Ben Grossman (hurdy gurdy) and Jesse Stewart (percussion). They will be connected to two other sites, where they will be joined by Ricardo Arias on balloon (in Bogota, Colombia) and by Jonas Braasch on soprano sax, Curtis Bahn on dilruba, Doug Van Nort on laptop, and Blair Neal on video (in Troy, NY). Following is a local performance of containment and dispersence by Curtis Bahn with Jonas Braasch and Doug Van Nort and Blair Neal.

[C3-17] May 8, 2010: Performance with RPI seminar ensemble Tintinnabulate at the Lotus Studio, NYC.


Research Grants & Contracts – Approved and Funded
J. Braasch (PI) RI: Small: Binaural Sound Source Separation Robust to Listener Head Movements
Award Number: 1320059; Principal Investigator: Jonas Braasch; NSF Organization: IIS
Award Date: 08/01/2013; Award Amount: $186,624.

A. Raake (Project Coordinator), K. Obermaier (Technische Universitaet Berlin), T. Dau (Danmarks Tekniske Universitet), D. Kolossa, J. Blauert (Ruhr-Universitaet Bochum), B. Gas (Universite Pierre Et Marie Curie), P. Danes (Centre National De La Recherche Scientifique, CNRS, Paris), S. Spoers (Universitaet Rostock) G. Brown (The University Of Sheffield), A. Kohrausch (Technische Universiteit Eindhoven), J. Braasch (Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute) Reading the world with TWO EARS, European Research Council, SEVENTH FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME, STREP, FP7-ICT-2013-C, Grant Agreement No. 618075, 12/13-11/16, EUR 2,969,131 to the consortium, U.S. Partners do not receive direct funding from the EU.

J. Braasch, P. Oliveros, D. Van Nort, D. Whalen, Episodic Operator, NYS Council on the Arts (NYSCA), Grant ID: J50559, 6/12/2013-6/30/14, $5,000.

J. Braasch (PI), B. Chang (Co-PI), B. Cutler (Co-PI), J. Goebel (Co-PI), R. Radke (Co-PI), MRI/Dev.: Collaborative-Research Augmented Immersive Virtual Environment Laboratory (CRAIVE-Lab), NSF/Major Research Instrumentation, 10/12—09/15, #1229391, $300,001.

J. Braasch, T. Krueger, P. Oliveros, D. Whalen, Assistive technology for artist participation in The Telematic Circle, an across abilities internet network, Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation 2012, Quality of Life Grant, (June 2012) $5,500.

J. Braasch (PI), EAGER: A virtual eXchange to support networks of creativity and innovation amongst Science, Engineering, Arts and Design (XSEAD) [collaborators with own budget include T. Rikakis, S. Brixey, D. Cox (total amount $299,679), 08/11-07/13, $11,000 (RPI).

J. Braasch (PI), S. Bringsjord (Co-PI), P. Oliveros (Co-PI): CAIRA - a Creative Artificially-Intuitive and Reasoning Agent in the context of ensemble music improvisation, NSF CreativeIT, (8/10-7/13), (#1002851) $650,000.

J. Braasch (Co-PI & coordinator), J. Hendler (Co-PI), P. Oliveros (Co-PI): Intelligent Sensory Substitution Algorithms for Tactile Music Communication in the Web and Physical Spaces, Seed Grant from the Rensselaer’s Office of Research (01/10-06/11) $40,000.

J. Braasch (PI), P. Oliveros (Co-PI) (2008) A Robust Distributed Intelligent System for Telematic Applications, NSF CreativeIT Pilot Grant, #0757454, 04/08—03/11, $199,276.

Proposals Submitted and Not Funded with Current Status
J. Braasch (PI), R. Radke (Co-PI), M. Si (Co-PI), J. Wen (Co-PI), CHS: Medium: Integrated Solutions for Virtual Realities, Artificial Intelligence, Telepresence and Robotics (VRAITERO) National Science Foundation, submitted 11/14, 8/15–7/19, (RPI Case #7861), $1,198,051 (Pending)

J. Braasch (PI), N. Xiang (Co-PI) CHS: Small: Multimodal, Immersive, Real-Time Resynthesis of Rooms (MIRROR), National Science Foundation, submitted 01/15, $474,335, (RPI Case #7218, Pending).

J. Wen (PI), J. Braasch (Co-PI), R. Radke (Co-PI), M. Si (Co-PI), SCH:INT: Collaborative Research:Mobile Robotic Assistant (MoRA) for Congestive Heart Failure Patients in Nursing Homes, National Science Foundation, 8/15–8/19, (RPI Case #7910), $1,672,647 (Pending).

L. Zhang (PI) et al., J. Braasch (senior personnel) NRT-DESE: Enabling Discovery Through Education, Training & Innovation in Biomedical Computing Technologies, National Science Foundation (RPI Case #7570), 9/14–8/19, pending, $2,999,819 (Pending).

J. Braasch (PI) Investigating and Modeling the Precedence Effect for Complex Reflection Patterns, National Institutes of Health, submitted 06/14, $757,289 (RPI Case #7508, declined).

J. Braasch (PI), N. Xiang (Co_PI), (2014) CHS: Small: Multimodal, Immersive, Real-time Resynthesis of Rooms (MIROR), National Science Foundation, CHS Medium, requested amount $474,335, 36 months, anticipated start date 8/01/14 (declined).

J. Braasch (PI), R. Radke (Co_PI), M. Si (Co_Pi), J.T. Wen (Co_PI), (2013) CHS: Medium: Integrated Solutions for Virtual Realities, Artificial Intelligence, Telepresence and Robotics (VRAITERO), National Science Foundation, CHS Medium, requested amount $1,199,338, 48 months, anticipated start date 08/01/14 (declined).
J. Braasch, PI, M. Kalsher, Co-PI (2013) Is the build-up of the precedence effect a learning mechanism to adjust for room parameters? NIH R21, Requested amount $405,152. (declined).

Alexander Raake (PI), Jonas Braasch (local PI), and others involving: Technische Universitaet Berlin TUB D, Ruhr-Universitaet Bochum RUB D, Eindhoven Technical University TUE NL, Technical University of Denmark DTU DK, Hebrew University of Jerusalem HUJ ISR, Universite Paris Marie Curie UPM F, Lab. d’Analyse et d’Architecture des Systemes LAA F, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Reading the world with TWO EARS, submitted to the European Research Council, Small or medium-scale focused research project (STREP), ICT FET FP7-ICT-2011-C, April 2012, Requested amount approx. $2 million Euros, amount for Rensselaer $311,000, not funded.


J.E. Summers (PI, Applied Research in Acoustics LLC), J. Braasch (Co-PI, RPI) and Ning Xiang (Co-PI, RPI) Neuromechanical Binaural Auditory Scene Analysis by Biomimetic Processing of Microphone-Array Data, requested subcontract amount: $38,469, not funded.

J. Braasch (PI), J. Hendler (Co-PI), P. Oliveros (Co-PI) The Telematic Circle: Technology for a Social Music Network for users across abilities, submitted to NSF/SoCS, Nov. 2011, requested amount: $750,000, not funded.


Lonn Combs

Professional Record
since 2004 NCARB certification
since 2014 Registered Architect in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts
since 2001 Registered Architect in the state of New York
2004-2011 Registered Architect in the state of Texas
1997 Registered Architect in Germany, Federal State of Berlin, Architektenkammer Berlin

Awards/Grants

Selected Exhibitions
2014-15 MIRAGE GARDEN; a proposal by EASTON+COMBS
OMI International Art Center; Invited Solo Exhibition (design proposal)

2013 Surface Innovation: Redefining Boundaries of Interior and Exterior Spaces Invited Group Exhibition, Center for Architecture, NYC


2010 Association for Computer Design in Architecture, October 21st to 24th 2010 Peer reviewed exhibition featuring research in structural surfaces and the LUX NOVA project.

2010 ‘Remanufactured Veilscape’, Material prototypes from the Hunter Douglas Light Research Studio Black Box Gallery, RPI School of Architecture, Troy, New York. September 20th to November 8th 2010


2010 LUX NOVA / MoMA P.S.1 exhibited at the MoMA, June 30 to August 23rd 2010. MoMA PS1 Young Architects Program

2010 2010 AIANY Design Awards Exhibition, Invited Exhibition at the AIANY New York, April 15 to July 3, 2010

2010 MoMA P.S. 1 Young Architects Program, Invited Exhibition at the Museum of Modern Art New York, spring-summer 2010

**Selected Lectures and Presentations**

2012 Shop Talk Series Public Lecture: ‘Less is (doing) More’; American Academy in Rome, Rome Italy


2010 ‘Remanufactured Veilscapes’, Gallery Talk and discussion, September 20th, RPI School of Architecture

2010 2010 New Practices Winners Symposium, Public Lecture and discussion, July 29th, 2010, NYAIA Center For Architecture, New York City

**Competition Awards**

2013 Times Square Alliance, Valentines Day Public Art Installation, Invited Competition: Finalist (1 of 7 offices)

2011 BOFFO Building Fashion Series 2012: Ohne Titel Concept Store, New York City, First Place (65 entries)

2010 Concrete Geometries: Spatial Form in Social and Aesthetic Processes, Research Cluster Architectural Association, Research Cluster. LUX NOVA project selected for exhibition and publication series from ‘Call for Submissions’ process. 1 of 20 projects selected (415 entries)

2010 The City of Dreams Pavilion: Kaleidoscope: Finalist (1 of 4 offices)

2010 MoMA P.S. 1 Young Architects Program: P.S.1 Competition: Invited Finalist (1 of 5 offices)

**Symposia Contributions**

2015 ACADIA 2015 Conference (Association for Computer Aided Design in Architecture) University of Cincinnati, Technical Co-Chiar, curating conference theme, directing peer review process, directing conference proceedings and editing published proceedings (to be published in 2015)

2015 The Daylight Symposium 2015, London UK. Invited to present at conference through peer review process, Constructing in Natural Light: the Aesthetics of Well Tempered Domestic Environments Presentation and design analysis of EASTON+COMBS research and design of domestic architecture. Article and projects to be published as part of the conference proceedings in 2015 Architectural Publications including / featuring work by EASTON+COMBS or Lonn Combs
2012 Architectural Record’s Design Vanguard 2012: EASTON+COMBS, Feature Article
Architectural Record 12/2012 (Annual Design Vanguard Issue)

2012 International Magazine of Space and Design: Issue 094 Retail: featuring Ohne Titel Concept Store, May 2012; Pages 144-145


2012 The Glimpses Series: Interview with Lonn Combs, American Academy in Rome (online article)

2012 AIT 3.2012, Ohne Titel Concept Store, Feature Article

2012 Domus Web, Ohne Titel Concept Store (online article)

2011 Interior Design Magazine, ID9 July 2011, CHANGING ROOM, Feature Article

2011 Fast Co. Design (online article), CHANGING ROOM (April 18th 2011)


2011 Atlas of Concrete Geometries, AA Publications, EASTON+COMBS featured in forthcoming publication of C.G. research cluster

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<p>| Lectures / Exhibits |
| 2013 |
| “Advancements in Sustainable Envelope Design” Speaker as CASE Faculty at Urban Green Council, Green Salon. (August 22nd ). |
| 2012 |
| “Material Intensities” Session 2 of the 2012 ACADIA Conference, Synthetic Digital Ecologies, (October 18th). |
| “Geometry Resolution + Special Detailing of Pre-Cast Panel Structural Support System.” Session 1 of the 2012 ACADIA Conference, Synthetic Digital Ecologies, (October 18th). |
| “Material Intensities” Opening Lecture to the 2012 Smartgeometry Conference with J. Ellinger. (March 19th). |
| Opening Remarks to the 2012 Smartgeometry Symposium with J. Ellinger. (March 24th). |
| “Geometry Resolution + Special Detailing of Pre-Cast Panel Structural Support System.” 2012 ACADIA Conference, Synthetic Digital Ecologies, October 19th, 2012 at California College of the Arts, San Francisco |</p>
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<td>“Project: Distortion” Method Design +RPI SoA in collaboration with Royal Danish Academy Dept 8 Pavilion for international music festival, “Copenhagen Distortion” Copenhagen Denmark</td>
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<td>“Deupree Residence” Method Design lecture with R. Campbell (April) NJIT, New Jersey</td>
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**Praxis Research**

2012-2013 Spain (Madrid, Barcelona), Italy (Torino, Milan, Como + Rome), Switzerland (Zurich, Geneva, Basel, Valles), France (Ronchamp, Tourette, Firminy, Marseilles, Montpellier). Academic travel associated with Brownsfellow Award. Research of the works of Gaudi, Nervi, Maillart + Le Corbusier in the context of Analogical Modeling techniques, and the present use of simulation modeling in digital design.

2010-2011 Copenhagen, Denmark. Professional Travel associated with awarded commissions and grants from the Danish Ministry of Culture, Distortion Festival, and National Theater of Denmark. June 2010, travel with 12 students for two weeks for installation of pavilion.

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<th>Gustavo Crembil</th>
<th><strong>Invited Speaker / Lecture</strong></th>
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<td>2015</td>
<td>“Informal Practice(s).” California State University – Long Beach, College of arts.</td>
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<td>2013</td>
<td>Recent Work. 2013 S.O.S Ciudades Conference at Macapa, Brazil.</td>
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**Books**


Crembil, Gustavo and Paula Gaetano. Mestizo Robotics. Publisher TBD. In progress.

Crembil, Gustavo (Editor). Regional Initiatives. Re-Imagining The miSci in Schenectady (Troy: Rensselaer School of Architecture and Schenectady Museum of Innovation and Science, 2013), 236 pages.

**Invited Book Chapters**


“Craft, design and recycling as social technology” in Re-Use, edited by Bradley Guy. Routledge. (forthcoming)


**Peer-Reviewed Articles**


**Exhibitions (Juried)**


Transito_MX 05 International Festival. Centro Nacional de las Artes, Mexico City, 2013..


Design Revolution Road Show, curated by Emily Pilloton (Project H). Travelling exhibition through at 36 design schools and colleges across the U.S., 2010

**Articles / Citations**


**Conference Proceedings**


“Haptic Thinking. Contemporary Craft in Architectural Education and Practice”, in 2014 AWCD (1st Annual World Congress of Designers), (Dalian, China: BIT Congress, June 2014), pp 42.


“Craft, design and recycling as social technology” in R+R 2013 Reclaim and Remake International Symposium, Washington, DC. April 2013

“El Proyecto Paraguas / The Umbrella Project. Craft knowledge as tactical tool in marginalized communities in Argentina”. Crafting The World (Session), Theoretical Archaeology Group Conference. University of Liverpool, UK.


**Grants and Funded Projects**

Winner (with Paula Gaetano Adi), Artistic Production Incentive [EU 9,000]. VIDA 14.0 Art & Artificial Life Awards. Fundacion Telefonica, Spain, 2012.

Winner. The Robert S. Browns ’52 Faculty Travel Fellowship Award [$15,000]. SoA RPI (2011)
| Adam Dayem | **Awards / Fellowships**  
MoMA PS1 – nominated in 2014 to participate in 2015 Young Architects Program.  

**Exhibits / Installations / Lectures**  
“Drawing Futures”  
*Invited lecture – Rensselaer School of Architecture, 2014*

Rensselaer School of Architecture  
*Exhibition of Faculty Work at Smart Geometry Conference, 2012*

Pratt Institute  
*NCARB Exhibition of Faculty Work, 2010*

**Selected Publications**  

New Atlantis, A City for Voluntary Exiles  

Interview describing New Atlantis, A City for Voluntary Exiles

Last Destination: Bucharest, On The Move Conference  
*Contributed drawing for conference poster, 2013*

Moon Monster, An Architectural Folly  
[http://www.suckerpunchdaily.com/2012/10/05/moon-monster-an-architectural-folly/#more-25047](http://www.suckerpunchdaily.com/2012/10/05/moon-monster-an-architectural-folly/#more-25047), 2012

| Brian DeLuna | **Critic / Juror**  
Columbia University Graduate School of Architecture  
University of Pennsylvania // PennDesign  
Pratt School of Architecture  
Yale School of Architecture  
Rensselaer RPI Architecture  
TU Wien // Vienna University of Technology  
Die Angewandte // University of Applied Arts Vienna  
NJIT School of Architecture

**Publications**  
Fresh Punches: Experimental Architecture Exhibition Catalogue  
Nathan Hume (Author), Abigail Coover Hume (Author), Paul Ruppert (Author)

Perceptual Twist: Maribor Art Gallery Competition  
Featured on Archdaily, Evolo, Suckerpunchdaily, Dezeen... Aug 2010

| Joshua Draper | **Publications**  


**Awards / Competitions** |
### Work Featured in Books and Monographs


Cover Feature *Architectural Products* October 2014.

Cover Feature *Oculus*, Fall 2104.


### Journal Articles in Refereed Peer-Reviewed Publications


Status: Projected May 2015


Status: Projected June 2015
Lokko, M., Roggenkamp, S., Nyman, M., Dyson, A., “Characterization of Volatile Organic
Compound Sorption onto Organic Materials in Gas and Liquid Phases – Applications
across Building Systems for Indoor Air Remediation” ACS Environmental Science &
Technology”
Status: Projected July 2015

Lokko, M., Smith, J., Dyson, A., “Physical and Chemical Properties of Coconut-Husk
Derived Biomaterials and Technological Pathways for Load Reduction and Indoor Air
Quality Remediation in the Hot-Humid Climates.” Building and Environment. Status:
Projected October 2015

Smith, Shane, Dyson, Anna “Framework for Tetra-functional Control of Viscoelastic
Molecular Entropy in Biopolymeric Hydrogel Dynamics for Environmentally Responsive
Metabolic Processes in Morphological Architectural Membranes” in Proceedings of
Generation Building Skins and Systems from Nano to Macro, April 2015.

Bess Krietemeyer, Brandon Christopher Andow, Anna H. Dyson, “Human-Facade-
Interaction: Constructing Augmented Reality Simulations for Co-Optimizing Dynamic
Building Skin Performance According to Multi-User and Bioclimatic Response”,

Novelli, Nicholas. Shultz, Justin. Dyson, Anna. “Development of a Modeling Strategy
for Adaptive Multifunctional Solar Energy Building Envelope Systems.” Simulation for
Architecture and Urban Design (SimAUD), Washington DC, April 2015. Society for

Thomas, Abhay V., Brandon Andow, Shravan Suresh, Anna Dyson, and Nikhil
Koratkar. "Conrolled Crumpling of Graphene Oxide Films for Tunable Optical

Krietemeyer, Bess, Brandon Andow, and Anna Dyson. "A Computational Design
Framework Supporting Human Interaction with Environmentally-Responsive Building

Lokko, M., Dyson, A., Vollen, J. “Building Integrated Coconut Envelope Systems:
Rethinking the Role of Low-tech materials for High Performance in the Hot-humid
Region.” Proceedings of the XXV International Union of Architect's World Congress,
Durban, South Africa, 3-7 August 2014. Ed. Amira Osman, Gerhard Bruyns and Clinton

International Union of Architect’s World Congress, Durban, South Africa, 3-7 August
Durban. pgs.1368-83.

Menicovich, D., Lander, D., Vollen, J.O., Amitay, M., Letchford, C., Dyson, A.H.
“Improving Aerodynamic Performance of Tall Buildings Using Fluid-based
Aerodynamic Modification,” Journal of Wind Engineering & Industrial Aerodynamics,
2104., 133: 263-273.


Wilson et al. ACSA, 2013

Puerto et al., ACSA, 2013

Menicovich et al. ACADIA


Major Refereed International Design Competitions/Publications

2012 ASSOCIATION OF COMPUTER AIDED DESIGN IN ARCHITECTURE (ACADIA), “Award for Most Innovative Academic Program.” This award recognizes an innovative academic program that
contributes to the education of students in the field of digital design.

Received Award

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<td>2011</td>
<td>SPARK AWARD CONCEPT DESIGN, “Solar Enclosure for Water Reuse” International design competition for promoting design that can make significant, positive changes in the world. Received Silver Award with Jason Vollen, Peter Stark, and Matt Gindlesparger</td>
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<td>2011</td>
<td>SPARK AWARD CONCEPT DESIGN, “Climate Camouflage: High Performance Masonry System” International design competition for promoting design that can make significant, positive changes in the world. Received Bronze Award with Jason Vollen</td>
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<td>AIA: ENCLOSURES, INTEGRATE : INNOVATE. “Climate Camouflage” The Center for Architecture International Design Competition (Citation)</td>
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<td>2010</td>
<td>BUCKMINSTER FULLER CHALLENGE, “Structures for Wave Energy Absorption and Colonization of Mangroves” Semi-Finalist on international competition with Jason Vollen and Mourad Zhegal</td>
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**Articles in Non-Refereed Journals**

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**Articles Featuring Works**

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<td>Lennartsson, Peter J.</td>
<td>“Solar Design from CASE also Purifies Water” sighenz: In The World Of Technology</td>
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<td>2012</td>
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<td><a href="http://www.treehugger.com">www.treehugger.com</a></td>
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<td>2011</td>
<td>Holt, Nicholas. “Practical Science: In the face of new technical challenges, these firms have designed a smarter way to practice architecture.”</td>
<td>Architecture Boston</td>
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<td>2011</td>
<td>Sokol, David. “Sustainable Skins: Facades that shade, display, and generate.”</td>
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<td>Hill, Michael. “Solar Energy With Jewel-Like Curtains on Windows”</td>
<td>The Associated Press (reprinted over 250 times in international journals)</td>
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<td>Kho, Jennifer. “Applications &amp; Installations: Pretty and Efficient”</td>
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**Installation Projects & Exhibitions**

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### Patents

1. Concentrating type solar collection and daylighting system within glazed building envelopes
   - Anna H. Dyson, Michael K. Jensen, and David N. Borton
   - Assigned to Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N.Y. (US)

2. Method and apparatus for coastline remediation, energy generation, and vegetation support
   - Van de Riet, Keith, J.O. Vollen, A.H. Dyson.
   - Assigned to Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N.Y. (US)

### Active airflow control for buildings
Anna Dyson, Miki Amitay, Jason Vollen, Ajith Rao, David Menicovich
Filing with Rensselaer Office for Technology Commercialization - Jan 2011

2012_(BIFCS)_USApplNo61731889_RPI1423

### Umbrella material, device and system patent disclosure for biopolymer sorption systems
Status: Pending - IP Disclosure in development, submitted to The Office of Technology Commercialization (OTC)

### RPiSoC screw terminal shield
Status: Pending - IP Disclosure in development, submitted to The Office of Technology Commercialization (OTC).

### Patent Applications

- Thermovascular systems for buildings – Filing with RPI OTC. 2015.
  Nick Novelli, Anna Dyson, et al.

- Active modular phytoremediation system
  Anna Dyson, Jason Vollen, Ted Ngai
  Application Filed on April 25th, 2010, as Appl. No. 61\343,133

- Solar enclosure for water reuse and thermal comfort
  Anna H. Dyson, Jason Vollen, Kristin Malone, Mark Mistur, Peter Stark, Matt Gindlesparger
  Application Filed on Dec. 02, 2010, as Appl. No. 61418,937.

- Method and apparatus for building coastline remediation, energy generation, and vegetation support
  Keith Van de Riet, Anna H. Dyson, Jason Vollen
  Application Filed on Dec. 02, 2010, as Appl. No. 61418,938.

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<td>2010</td>
<td>DOWNTOWN PLAZA RENOVATION, (Confidential) Major urban installation proposed for the Active Modular Phytremediation System (AMPS), New York, NY (Directed with co-principal SOM)</td>
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<td>INCHEON AIRPORT, Korea (Decision pending)(Confidential) Skidmore, Owings &amp; Merrill LLP with CASE Systems</td>
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<td>2010</td>
<td>K1+K2: JEDDAH CORNISCHE, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia (Decision pending) Skidmore, Owings &amp; Merrill LLP with CASE Systems (Directed Sustainability submission of CASE Systems Research)</td>
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### Research Grants and Contracts – Proposals Approved and Funded

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<td>NEXUS “Building Integrated Intelligent Desiccation System” $75,000 Award to CASE Co-Principal Investigator Marianne Nyman</td>
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<td>Skidmore, Owings and Merrill LLP (SOM) “Center for Architecture Science and Ecology” $175,000 Core Operating Expenses at CASE $800,000 Space and Furnishings $845,000 Equipment and Support $400,000 Personnel Support Project Director and Principal Investigator</td>
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<td>ENERGY EFFICIENT BUILDING SYSTEMS REGIONAL INNOVATION CLUSTER INITIATIVE (NYE-RIC)</td>
<td>“Building Energy Sustainability Systems Laboratory(BESSL)” (request for $175,000,000)</td>
<td>Principal Investigator for Rensselaer within Multi-University Consortium led by Syracuse University. This Proposal was a Major Administrative Effort, with all schools represented and over 30 Rensselaer PI’s. An Ongoing Effort is being made to continue the extended consortium.</td>
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<td>2010</td>
<td>BSA RESEARCH GRANTS IN ARCHITECTURE/2011</td>
<td>“Healthcare Water and Waste Energy Systems Characterization”</td>
<td>$36,000 Award</td>
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**Books, Design Guides and Monographs**


**Articles in Refereed Journals**

Figueiro MG. Individually tailored light intervention through closed eyelids to promote circadian alignment and sleep health. *Sleep Health: Journal of the National Sleep Foundation*. In press.

Figueiro MG & Rea MS. Office lighting and personal light exposures in two seasons: impact on sleep and mood. *Lighting Research and Technology*. In press.


Figueiro MG, Plitnick BA, Rea MS. The effects of chronotype, sleep schedule and light/dark pattern exposures on circadian phase. *Sleep Medicine*. In press.


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**Articles in Refereed Conference Proceedings**

- Figueiro, MG. Light and Health: what we know, what we don’t know and what we need to know. Invited paper presentation at the *LS-14 2014 Conference*, Como, Italy, June 22-27, 2014.


**Articles in Non-Refereed Journals, Magazines, Conference Proceedings**


Figueiro MG, Rea MS, and Brons JA. 2011. Light at night in our bedrooms: We measured it, so let’s talk about it. *Lighting Design and Application* (LD+A) November 2011.


Abstracts, Letters of Correspondence, Book Reviews


Figueiro MG, Plitnick B, Lok A, Rea MS. Tailored Light Treatment Improves Sleep, Depression And Agitation In Persons With Dementia Living In Long-term Care Facilities. Poster presentation at SLEEP 2014 28th Annual Meeting of the Associated Professional Sleep Societies, LLC, Minneapolis, MN, June 1-4, 2014.


Figueiro, MG. Blue Light increases morning serotonin levels in sleep-restricted individuals. Oral presentation at Society for Light Treatment and Biological Rhythms (SLTBR), Vienna, Austria, July 27-29, 2014.

Rea MS and Figueiro MG. Towards a working threshold for acute melatonin suppression. Oral presentation at Society for Light Treatment and Biological Rhythms (SLTBR), Vienna, Austria, July 27-29, 2014.

Figueiro MG, Bierman A, Rea MS. A train of flashing blue light through closed eyelids suppresses melatonin and phase shifts the human circadian system. Poster presentation at Society for Light Treatment and Biological Rhythms (SLTBR), Vienna, Austria, July 27-29, 2014.


Figueiro MG, Sahin L, and Rea MS. Impact of blue and red lights on objective and subjective alertness. Abstract presentation at the Academy for Neuroscience and Architecture, Salk Lake Institute, La Jolla, CA, September 20-23, 2012.


Figueiro MG and Rea MS. Comparisons of three practical field devices used to measure personal light exposures and activity levels. Poster presentation at SLEEP 2012 26th Annual Meeting of the Associated Professional Sleep Societies, LLC, Boston, MA, June 9-13, 2012.


Figueiro MG and Rea MS. Exposure to daylight as well as to blue and red lights at night interact to affect nocturnal performance, subjective sleepiness and biomarker production. Abstract presentation at the Society for Light Treatment and Biological Rhythms, Montreal, Canada, July 10-13, 2011.


Figueiro MG. Good lighting for students: Considerations beyond the classroom. Invited speaker (abstract presentation), Deutsches Institut für Normung e. V. (DIN) Expert Panel Meeting, Berlin, Germany, June 7, 2011.


Figueiro MG and Rea MS. Both previous sleep and light at night affect the amplitude of cortisol and alpha amylase. Poster presentation at SLEEP 2010 24th Annual Meeting of the Associated Professional Sleep Societies, LLC, San Antonio, TX, June 5-9, 2010.


Figueiro MG and Rea MS. The roles of circadian entrainment and sleep for psychosocial stress. Abstract presentation at Society for Prevention Research, Denver, CO, June 1-4, 2010.

Reports


**Patent Applications**

- **Incubator Lighting System**
  Mark S. Rea, Mariana G. Figueiro, Martin Overington, Jean Paul Freyssinier
  US Provisional Patent Number # 61/990,845

- **Method And System For Facilitating Adjusting A Circadian Pacemaker**
  Andrew Bierman, Mark Rea and Mariana Figueiro
  US Provisional Patent Application serial # 61/300,072
Research Proposals Approved and Funded

Total funded research since 2006 (with MG Figueiro as Principal Investigator, Co-Principal Investigator, Technical Investigator or Project Director). Total amount since promoted to Associate Professor (2010), MG Figueiro secured $7.5M in research contracts and gifts.

- Indoor light and human health demonstration project – Phase 2. General Services Administration. $125,000. September 1, 2014 to August 31, 2015 (PI).

- Circadian Rhythms Monitor Device. $45,000. Department of Defense through a phase 1 STTR grant from the Intelligent Automation Inc. (PI).


- Light and Health Alliance - $220,000 from various sponsors, including Acuity Brands, Ketra Inc, Philips Lighting, OSRAM Sylvania, Sharp and USAI Lighting (PI).


- Individually Tailored Lighting System to Improve Sleep in Older Adults, National Institute on Aging, NIH. $2,856,485. August 1, 2014 to June 30, 2017 (PI).


- Development of a Sleep Mask for Delivery of Light at Night to Synchronize Circadian Phase with Rest-activity Patterns, Philips Respironics. $95,000. August 1, 2012 to March 31, 2014 (PI).


The Effects of Light on Biomarkers: Implications for Diabetes and Obesity, Office of Naval Research. $399,800. April 1 2012 to September 30, 2013 (PI).


Effects of Light Emitting Diode on Biomarkers, Seoul Semiconductors. $225,000. April 2011 to October 2011 (PI).

Smart Lighting for Personal Health, NSF (through Engineering Research Center). $268,548. July 2011 to July 2012 (PI; Co-PI: Mark Rea)


The Daysimeter and the Sharp Sensor, Sharp Laboratories of America. $36,000. April 2010 to April 2011 (PI).

The Effects of Red Light Exposure During a “Study Night” and Blue Light the Following “Test Day” on Scholastic Performance, Sharp Laboratories of America. $149,625. December 2010 to June 2011 (PI).


Methodology Issues in a Tailored Light Treatment for Persons with Dementia: Develop a “Dimesimeter” and Test Effectiveness of Light Treatment on ADRD Patients and Caregivers, National Institute on Aging – NIH. $4,181,172. May 2010 to April 2019 (PI).


Color Information for the Circadian System, Office of Naval Research. $170,000 (PI). October 1, 2009 to March 31, 2012 (no cost extension).


Teaching Services, Clemson University. $22,000. 2008-2009 (PI).


The Effects of Light and Caffeine on Nighttime Alertness, Office of Naval Research. $69,999. 2009 (PI).

The Effect of Colored Light on Mood and Alertness, Boeing. $78,000. 2008-2009 (PI).


Lighting Isn’t Just for Vision Anymore: Implications for Transportation Applications Phase II, University Transportation Research Center. $25,000. 2008-2009 (PI).

Reducing Greenhouse Emissions, USEPA. $1,050,000. 2008-2011 (PI).

Proposals Submitted and Pending
Personal Light Exposure and Avoidance System to Facilitate Sleep in College Students. Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development ($2,619,768 over a 4 year period).

Lighting interventions to reduce circadian disruption in rotating shift workers. National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) ($2,226,377 over a 4 year period).

Research Interests
Light and Health, energy efficient lighting, human factors in lighting and lighting applications

Invited Talks, Lectures and Papers

Light and Health: Does “Do not Harm = Do nothing”? Invited speaker at Strategies in Light, Las Vegas, NV, February 24-26, 2015.

Lighting for Alzheimer’s Care: Impact on sleep and behavior. Oral presentation at HealthCare Design Conference, San Diego, CA, November 15-18, 2014

Unexpected Regulatory Effects of Light on Humans and Animals, and Possible Parallels in Plants and Pathogens. Invited presentation at Bioforsk, Norwegian Institute for Agricultural and Environmental Research, Dahlsvei, Norway, November 12, 2014.


Light Therapy for Patients with Dementia: Effects on Sleep and Behavior. Invited presentation at Grand Rounds at Icahn School of Medicine, Department of Psychiatry, Mount Sinai Hospital, New York, NY, September 30, 2014.

Lighting for Improved Environment of Care. Presentation at 52nd ASHE Annual Conference and Technical Exhibition, Chicago, IL, August 3-6, 2014.

Shining a Light on Sleep, Metabolism and Body Weight. Presentation at Bench to Bedside Symposium, SLEEP 2014 28th Annual Meeting of the Associated Professional Sleep Societies, LLC, Minneapolis, Minnesota, May 31-June 4, 2014.


Lighting for older adults: What do we need from manufacturers. Invited speaker, American Lighting Association Annual Meeting, Austin, TX, September 24, 2013.


Workshop on circadian rhythms. Invited speaker (Skype presentation), 1st International Symposium of Blue Light Society, Tokyo, Japan, June 6-8, 2013.


Light and health overview. Invited seminar, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, January 29, 2013.


Light at night. Webinar presented on December 5, 2012.


Lighting for rodent facilities. Invited speaker at the Unique Lighting Applications for Plants and Animals Seminar, Syracuse, NY, April 10, 2012.


Light at night and health risks. Invited speaker at the *Outdoor Lighting LED Conference* in Ingeniørhuset, Copenhagen, Denmark (via Skype), March 20, 2012.


Good lighting for students: Considerations beyond the classroom. Invited speaker at the *Deutsches Institut für Normung e. V. (DIN) Expert Panel Meeting*, Berlin, Germany, June 7, 2011.


Light and health: Bridging science to applications. Invited talk at the *Illuminating Engineering Society Michigan Section*, Detroit, MI, January 11, 2011.

Light and health: Can LEDs play a role? Invited talk at the *LEDs 2010 Conference*, San Diego, CA, October 24-26, 2010.


**Contributed Talks, Abstracts, Posters and Papers**


**Fleet Hower**

**Research Interests**

My research interests involve the agency of topological formation in architecture and landscape architecture. This work seeks to generate formation through the organization of large data sets taken from sources uniquely relevant to particular projects. It vacillates in function, scale, and abstraction, using computationally embedded information to form a
design process that is intelligent and productively decisive. My research has a great interest in emergent formation, which finds design outcomes impossible to predict yet laden with potential to fuse competing interests into a cohesive whole.

Lectures and Juries
May 2013 - Studio, Critic: Annette Fierro, University of Pennsylvania
May 2013 - Studio, Critic: Ezio Blazetti, Pratt Institutute
March 2013 - Studio, Critic: Cecil Balmond, University of Pennsylvania
March 2013 - Studio, Critic: Danielle Willems, University of Pennsylvania
March 2013 - Studio, Critic: Adam Dayem, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
December 2013 - Final Project jury, Critic: Chris Perry, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
December 2013 - Final Project jury, Critic: Ted Ngai, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
December 2013 - GeoFutures Post-Professional Jury, Critics: Casey Rehm and Zbigniew Oksiuta, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
October 2013 - Lecture: “Recent Work,” Senior Colloquium, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
May 2013 - Studio Jury, Critic: Jenny Sabin, Cornell University
May 2013 - GeoFutures Post-Professional Jury, Critics: Chris Perry, Andrew Saunders, Fleet Hower, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
December 2012 - Studio jury, Critic: Francis Bitonti, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
December 2012 - Studio jury, Critic: Sophia Krimizi, University of Pennsylvania
December 2012 - Seminar jury, Critic: Roland Snooks, Columbia University
December 2012 - Studio jury, Critic: Roland Snooks, Pratt Institute

Affiliations
**Cornell Architecture Scripting Group**: 2012 - present, **Member**: Organization of generative designers authorized to aide students in learning and understanding new methodologies

**Nonlinear Systems Organization**: 2009 - 2012, **Researcher**: Design research organization at PennDesign formed by Cecil Balmond, interested in the phenomenon of emergent conditions and the way they may be leveraged to create unique design solutions

Awards
2011: Anne Fisher Graduate Fellowship, PennDesign, University of Pennsylvania Scholarship, awarded to one male dual-degree student for academic excellence
2011: Lewis Dales Traveling Fellowship, PennDesign, University of Pennsylvania, Traveling fellowship awarded through class-wide portfolio competition

**Fellowships**
2013 Benjamin Menschel Faculty Fellowship, Faculty Grant in support of Lighting Research Seminar to design and fabricate an off-grid lighting installation for the 4th Street Cultural District. The installation will be displayed at the IDEA City Festival in New York.

**Publications – Editorial Work**

**Publications in Books and Magazines**


**Articles in Journals & Online Media Regarding My Design Work**


Ethel Baraona Pohl, EcoRedux 02: Design Manuals for a Dying Planet, A design report from Barcelona, Domus magazine, April 2011. See http://www.domusweb.it/en/design/ecoredux-02-design-manuals-for-adying-planet/


**Curatorial Work**

**2013**


**2011**

EcoRedux 02: Design Manuals and Cookbooks for a Dying Planet. Chief Curator in collaboration with Anna Pla Catala, The Design Hub (D-Hub), Barcelona, Spain.


**Architectural Work Exhibited in Venues**

**2013**

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<td><strong>Ideas City Festival. Grid Off; Lights On</strong>, Energy-generating lighting installation for the Ideas City Festival organized by the New Museum in New York.</td>
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<td>2011</td>
<td><strong>Past Futures, Present Futures. Extraterritorial Vacuum Cleaner</strong>, design scenario and project exhibited at the Storefront for Art and Architecture, New York, NY.</td>
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<td>2010</td>
<td><strong>EcoRedux 02: Design Manuals and Cookbooks for a Dying Planet. Felt Vacuum Wall</strong>, prototype exhibited in the contemporary work section, The Design Hub (D-Hub), Barcelona, Spain.</td>
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**The Envirobubble.** Design Installation on indoor air quality in collaboration with Michael Young (Cooper Union), Anna Pla Catala (IE Madrid) and Marianthi Liapi-Kostis Oungrinis (Technical University of Crete). Exhibited at the Design Hub (DHub), Barcelona, Spain.

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<td><strong>Domicatec Metropolitan Expo (Athens, Greece), “Panorama of Greek Contemporary Architecture 2007-2009”</strong>, Built work of “580 Park Avenue Renovation” in New York City received a mention and was selected for display in the exhibition. Organized by the “Domes” international architectural magazine.</td>
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**Lectures**


Kallipoliti, L (2013) **Invisible Garbage Cities**, Waste Panel at the Ideas City Festival in New York, organized by the New Museum, New York, NY.

Kallipoliti, L (2013) **Slag Islands**, Beyond Waterproofing New York, Conference organized by the Spitzer School of Architecture and the Landscape Program of the City College of New York, NY.


Kallipoliti, L (2012) *Environmental Architecture from Object to System to Cloud*, Lecture at Syracuse University hosted by the Syracuse/NYC program, New York, NY.

Kallipoliti, L (2012) *Deja-Vu; How do we Recycle Ideas?* Lecture at MIT hosted by the SMArchS Colloquium, Cambridge, MA.


Kallipoliti, L (2012) *101 Cloud Ecologies*, Yale School of Architecture, New Haven, CT.


Kallipoliti, L (2011) *EcoRedux*, Ohio State University, Knowlton School of Architecture, Columbus, Ohio.


**Research**

2013

**Research on off-grid lighting** to create an emergency lighting installation powering a street in New York City following hurricane Sandy. The research is conducted in collaboration with engineering students at the Cooper Union and was funded by the Benjamin Menschel Faculty Grant, the Feltman Lighting Fund and the Rockefeller Innovation Grant to create a product for the Idea City Festival in New York.

2012

**PhD Dissertation Research** focusing on the emergence of recirculatory households and self sufficient systems in the 1970s and the intersection of cybernetic and ecological theories as witnessed in the space program, Princeton University.

2011

**Research on biological life and ecological habitats in wetlands and the history of national parks.** Research funded by the Cultural Society of Entrepreneurs of Northern Greece and Columbia University under the auspices of the Columbia Studio X Summer Workshop in Greece, which I directed in July 2011.

**Research on the history of ecological material experiments of the 1960s and 1970s** (garbage housing, recycling housing components, vacuumatics, pneumatics from used parachutes, hand-crafted domes et-al.). Research funded by the MIT Lawrence Anderson award for the creative documentation of history and the High Meadows Sustainability Grant. Online ecological wikipedia launched in September 2009 [www.ecoredux.com](http://www.ecoredux.com).

2010

**Research on the Sick Building Syndrome, air purification techniques and HAVC systems in closed environments.** The research was funded by the Design Hub of Barcelona, the IE School of Architecture in Madrid and the Technical University of Crete in order to support the design and fabrication of an experimental air purification facility as a design installation at the Design museum of Barcelona in Spain.

**Workshops, Seminars and Tutorials**

2014

University of Brasilia, Institute for Science and Technology, Brazil. "Redesigning Human, a workshop on prosthetics for students from five engineering disciplines.

Washington University in St. Louis, “From Dematerial to the Material,” invited Chair of the annual Laskey Charette for Art, Design and Architecture students.

2013

Politecnico di Torino, Turin, Italy, “Visitor Center at the JRC-Ispra,” Joint Architectural Design Workshop RPI/PoliTo (co-taught with Marco Visconti).

**Visiting Design Critic**

Alfred University
Architectural Association - London, Bartlett School at the University College – London
Clemson University
Columbia University
Cranbrook Academy of Art
Dartmouth College
Duke University
Harvard University
Hochschule fur Bildende Kunst – Frankfurt
Kansas State University
Lawrence Institute of Technology
Lehigh University
Massachusetts Institute of Technology,
New Jersey Institute of Technology
Parsons School of Design
Pratt Institute
Politecnico di Torino,
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rheinisch-Westfalische Technische Hochschule – Aache
Rhode Island School of Design
Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology
Southern Polytechnic and State University - Marietta, Syracuse University
Technical University of Nova Scotia – Halifax
University of Arkansas
University of Arkansas Rome Center, Italy
University of Colorado – Boulder
University of Florida – Gainsville
University of Technology Sydney
University of Westminster - London,
Washington University, St Louis

Publications by or about: Books and Exhibition Catalogues
2013      Krueger, I don't know. Glanville, R. ed. Trojan Horses: A Rattlebag from the
          Cybernetics: Art Design and Mathematics Post-conference workshop. Vienna:
          Echoraum
2012      Krueger, Perception prothetic, vers une conscience enlargie. in Daubner and

Publications by or about: Periodicals
2014      Second Order Error, Cybernetics and Human Knowing
2013      Listening to the Inaudible, Cybernetics and Human Knowing
2011      '38Hz 7.5 Minutes' Inflexions5
2011      van Schaik, BY PRACTICE, BY INVITATION, Design Research at RMIT

Lectures, Papers and Public Presentations
2014      Int Symposium on Assistive Technology for Music and Art (ISATMA 2014),
          EMPAC, Rensselaer
          Centro Universitario de Maringá (UniCesumar), Maringá, Paraná, Brazil
          Instituto de Computação, Universidade Estadual de Campinas, SP, Brazil
          Núcleo Interdisciplinar de Comunicação Sonora, Universidade Estadual de
          Campinas, SP, Brazil
          Universidade de Brasília, Instituto de Ciência e Tecnologia, Gama, DF, Brazil
          Universidade de Brasília, Faculdade de Ceilândia, Health Sciences, Ceilândia, DF, Brazil
          Keynote Address, Pan American Health Care Exchanges, Brasilia
2013  Deep Listening Conference, EMPAC, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY
       Duke University, Media Studies, Durham
       Int Symposium on Assistive Technology Music and Art (ISATMA 2013), EMPAC, Rensselaer
       ARCC conference, UNC-Charlotte
2012  New Jersey Institute of Technology, Newark
2011  Royal Academy of Architecture, Copenhagen
       MIT Architecture: Computation and Design Group
       Southern Polytechnic and State University, Marietta
       RMIT University, Melbourne
       University of Technology Sydney, School of Architecture
2010  Abramawitz Distinguished Lecture and Keynote Address ACSA Midwest Conference (with Ken Kaplan)

Exhibitions
2013  MiSci Museum, Schenectady, NY (Student studio work)
2012  Sensing Environments, EMPAC Rensselaer, Troy, NY
2012  Hyde Museum, Glens Falls, NY (Student studio work)
2011  Guildford Gallery, Melbourne, Australia

Grants
2014  Browns Traveling Fellowship, Brazil, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
2010  Jaffe Fund for the Performing Arts, EMPAC

Books and Monographs
Lighting Pattern Book for Homes, Interactive Website

Patterns to Daylight Schools for People and Sustainability. Russell Leslie, Aaron Smith, Leora Radetsky, Mariana Figueiro, and Lisa Yue, Lighting Research Center, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, 2010.

Articles in Refereed Journals


Other Publications

**Research Proposals Approved and Funded**

Total Funded Research (with R. Leslie as Principal or Technical Investigator or Project Director): $37,670,000

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Commercial Lighting Program. $315,000, 2008-12. NYSERDA. (Co-principal Investigator).


Solid State Lighting Patterns for Multi-Family Housing. $50,000. 2012-2013. NYSERDA. (Co-principal Investigator).


Daylighting Design and Analysis for Stormville National Reserve. $55,000. 2012. BCK Architects. (Co-principal Investigator).


Partnership Agreement. $120,000. 2011-2012. New York State Energy Research and Development Authority. (Principal Investigator).

Lighting E-Patterns for Homes. $265,000. 2012-2014. NYSERDA. (Principal Investigator).

Hebrew Home for the Aged. $12,250. 2010-2011. (Co-Principal Investigator).

Lighting Design for the Bramley Palm Residence. $23,500. 2010-2011. (Co-Principal Investigator).


Research Interests
My research interests started with passive solar energy, energy conservation, daylighting, fire and building codes, dynamic building envelopes, and human response to daylighting and luminous variability. I use a combination of teaching, research, design, and market evaluation in my approach. I serve as the architect on many multi-disciplinary research projects, ensuring the results are practical for real buildings, integrating the disparate parameters associated with lighting, and addressing building systems integration issues.

During the last twenty five years, I have focused my work on lighting. In particular, I work in lighting product testing, overcoming barriers to the use of energy-efficient lighting, residential lighting, outdoor lighting, and daylighting. I develop and test “lighting patterns,” or model lighting designs applicable to common building types and assess ways to most effectively communicate these patterns to those who install lighting. A fundamental premise of patterns is that they are objectively evaluated, so lighting design and performance evaluation, are integral to my work. I am interested in both “specific patterns,” evaluated case studies using an actual building typical of many other buildings and “generic patterns,” designs for generic, common buildings that are then adapted to specific building projects.

I assess the process of lighting decision-making, including electric utility conservation programs, demand-side management efforts, and market transformation activities. In response, I develop research and educational programs all designed to change lighting practice so that it is more energy-efficient and responsive to human needs.

Editorship of Journals, Reviews of Manuscripts, Books and Research Proposals
Reviewer of all LRC DELTA and NLPIP publications, 1990-present.

Reviewer, Lighting Research & Technology, 2014

Reviewer, Journal of Green Building, 2014

Reviewer, Lighting Research & Technology, 2013

Reviewer, Renewable Energy Journal, 2013

Reviewer, Lighting Research & Technology, 2012

Proposal reviewer for Technology Foundation STW, 2012
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**Publications**

**Refereed Journal Articles and Refereed Conference Papers**


September 2012.


Research Grants – Proposals Funded

Research Grants – Proposals Submitted and Not Funded


Research Interest
My current research is focused in the following areas:
Teaching Pedagogy – Real Time Visualization of Structural Performance - integrated teaching method
Structural Morphology – Performance of Form/Topology
Structural Fragility – Vulnerability of Buildings to Spatial Requirements and Extreme Events
Masonry Assemblies – Performance of Masonry Assemblies

Undergraduate Research Projects

Bolong Liang, Computer Science “Stochastic Form Finding for Free-Forms”, URP, RPI, Spring 2013, Fall 2013 - ongoing.


Kely Meenaghan, CEE “ABAQUS-Simulation”, URP Fall 2011.


Yishu Liu, Department of Electrical Engineering:” RISA Interface”, URP Spring 2011.


**Editorship of Journals, Reviews of Manuscripts, Books Research Proposals the Jurying of Exhibitions**


Conference paper review: "Innovative Structures and the Design-Build Model of Teaching" ACSA 100th Annual Meeting, Boston, March 2012

Conference paper review: “Repairing a Mis-Diffusion: Purpose and Perils of Load Path Diagrams” ACSA 100th Annual Meeting, Boston, March 2012

Conference paper review: “TOYS (Teaching by Observation Yield Strength)” ACSA 100th Annual Meeting, Boston, March 2012.


**Professional and Public Lectures**

Presented an invited lecture at Harvard University’s Graduate School of Design, and another at Princeton University’s Civil & Environmental Engineering Dept. Both in April 2015.

University of Calgary, Faculty of Environmental Design Alberta, Canada 2015
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| **Author:** Performance-Based Design: The Broad View Vol. 1 of collection. Momentum Press, in progress |

| **Author:** with Johannes Goebel, The Architecture of EMPAC: The Tangible and the Tantalizing, 2011, ORO |

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| Facilitating Collaboration of Engineering and Architecture Students Via An International Travel-Study Workshop, American Society of Engineering Educators (ASEE) proceedings 2010, with Michael Symans, Bruce Danziger |

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ASSIST recommends is a sponsored program providing recommendations for testing and evaluating LEDs and other lighting technologies. The recommendations are based on original system performance research and vision science conducted at the LRC. These documents are available for free download from the ASSIST website. More than 6,000 webpage views and document downloads have occurred between October 2009 to August 2010.

In these publications, the authors are listed in alphabetical order.


Articles in Refereed Journals


**Articles in Non-Refereed Journals and Proceedings**


Perera, I.U., and N. Narendran. 2014. Mathematical model to analyze phosphor layer heat transfer of an LED system.


**Major Projects and Funding Sources**

**California Energy Commission, 2005 to present** The State of California has some of the strictest building energy standards in the world. Through the California Energy Commission’s Public Interest Energy Research Program (PIER), Dr. Narendran has served as principal investigator of several projects to design, build and evaluate prototype LED lighting systems for use in California residential and commercial buildings. Total funding to date: Approximately $775,000

**Federal Aviation Administration, 2005 to present** The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) approached the Lighting Research Center in 2005 for needed research to update U.S. commercial airfields and airfield lighting standards to implement energy-saving LED lighting. Dr. Narendran has served as principal investigator on projects exploring LED aviation signal brightness, LED-based taxiway and runway lighting, white light chromaticity boundaries, and other research related to the human factors study of LED lighting in an aviation context. Total funding to date: Approximately $4,300,000

**New York State Energy Research and Development Authority, 2003 to present** The New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) was one of the original funding organizations establishing the Lighting Research Center in 1988. Since 2003, Dr. Narendran has served as principal investigator of NYSERDA-sponsored LED lighting projects aimed to save energy, money and promote economic opportunity for lighting-related manufacturers in New York State. Total funding to date: Approximately $1,250,000

**PA Consulting, U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)/Sri Lanka Sustainable Energy Authority (SLSEA), 2008 to present** In 2009, USAID and SLSEA established the South Asia Regional Centre for Lighting in Sri Lanka to advance sustainable lighting and make it affordable in South Asia to improve the well-being of the citizens and the countries within the region. The Lighting Research Center
serves as the RCL’s primary knowledge partner. As principal investigator for this collaboration, Dr. Narendran provides technical knowledge, training, guidance, and project collaboration. **Total funding to date: Approximately $552,761.**

### Patents

24 total issued patents of which 20 are RPI’s. Several other pending patents.

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Total funded research since 2000 (with N. Narendran as Principal Investigator): nearly $15,000,000.

**Proposals Funded with PI Status (amount per year)**

2013 – Total $2,937,304

- FAA $1,043,978
  - Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory $250,000
  - NYSERDA $150,000
  - NYSERDA $50,000
  - ICF Inc $239,000
  - Vital Vio, LLC $25,400
  - International Bank Reconstruction Dev. $75,253
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- FAA $510,900
- ASSIST Gift H11014/H11015 $325,000
- NYSERDA $150,000
- LED Lighting Institute $80,000
- NYSERDA $175,000
- Henkel $131,000
- World Bank $98,000
- ITRI $100,000
- California Energy Commission $90,000
- ICF $157,000
- Fire Protection Research $52,500

### 2011 – Total $1,435,362
- FAA $475,000
- CEC BERG: New infrastructure $294,000
  - ASSIST Gift $319,362
  - NYSERDA LED Metric $150,000
- LED Institute $80,000
- World Bank Group $117,000

### 2010 – Total $1,650,362
- FAA $475,000
- PA Consulting/USAID $125,000
- CEC BERG: New infrastructure $294,000
  - ASSIST Gift $319,362
  - WAC Lighting $90,000
  - NYSERDA LED Metric $150,000
- LED Institute $80,000
- World Bank Group $117,000

### Research Interests
- **Solid-State Lighting**
  - Failure analysis of high-brightness LEDs
  - Development of accelerated life test methods for LEDs
  - Non-contact measurement of DC LED junction temperature
  - Packaging RCLED-based white light systems
  - Phosphor placement studies for white LEDs
  - Light distribution optics for LED luminaires
  - Photometric characterization of solid-state light sources
  - Development of chromaticity tolerance ranges for white LED color binning
  - Energy-saving applications with LEDs
LED lighting applications: Retail display windows, refrigerated display cases, elevator downlights
- Quantum dots for white LEDs
- Failure analysis and accelerated test methods for LED drivers
- Micro-lenses for LED fixtures
- Novel phosphors for white and green LED
- Encapsulants for improving the extraction efficiency of LEDs
- Thermal management for high power LED systems
- New building electrical infrastructure for LED lighting
- Junction temperature measurement of AC LEDs

**Editorship of Journals, Reviews of Manuscripts, Books and Research Proposals**
- *Lighting Research and Technology*, manuscript reviewer, 2010
- *ITHERM 2014*, manuscript reviewer, 2013

**Ted Ngai**

**Conferences**
- Pratt Network for Emerging Architectural Research Conference March 2011 - Speaker
- Harvard GSD Sustainable Design Careers Panel. February 2011 - Panelist

**Publications**
- *SOM Journal 6, AMPS Active Modular Phytoremediation System, 2010*

**Exhibitions**
- Building Futures: Re-Envisioning The Hyde at Rensselaer, 2012 Group exhibition of 14 expansion proposals for the Hyde Collection

**Systems Testing Prototype and Protocol**
- Active Modular Phytoremediation System Full Panel Prototype at Skidmore, Owing & Merrill, responsible for the design, fabrication, system integration including lighting, irrigation and air flow control, and installation. January 2011.
- Active Modular Phytoremediation System Single Module Prototype at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Aerosol Lab, responsible for developing the testing chamber and protocol for testing air cleaning capacity. January 2010.
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<td>2014 Visiting Artist/Guest Critic, Graduate program, Maine College of Art, Portland, ME</td>
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<td>2014 Live Interview with Colin C. Boyd and Tang Museum Director/curator Ian Berry, Arts Center of the Capital Region, Troy, NY</td>
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<td>2014 Lecture to undergraduate students from the Art Department University at Albany, Arts Center of the Capital Region, Troy, NY</td>
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<td>2012 Discussant, Street Views 1: Existing Conditions, A conversation with artist/curator Catherine Behar, artist Michael Oatman, artist/curator Emmy Mikelson, and artist John Menick around the 2010 Austrian film Abendland, by Nikolaus Geyrhalter, Maysles Cinema, 343 Lenox Avenue, New York, NY</td>
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<td>2012 Interviewer/Discussant: Sean Riley, Everyday is Sunday, Arts Center of the Capital Region, Troy, NY</td>
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<td>2011 Guest Critic, Architecture Department, CEPT University, Ahmedabad, India</td>
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<td>2011 Visiting Artist/Guest Critic, Interior Architecture RISD, Providence, RI</td>
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<td>2011 Lecturer, Tricks of the Trade: Re-use of Spaces for Creative Purposes, MCLA Berkshire Cultural Resources Ctr., Art School, Stockbridge, MA</td>
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<td>2010 Visiting Artist, Sage College of Albany, Albany, NY</td>
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Grants, Honors and Awards
2013 First Annual Established Artist Award, The Arts Center of the Capital Region, Troy, NY (exhibition opportunity for fall 2014 and 7500.00 prize)

Exhibitions – Solo
2015 “Unsigned,” Gallery 201, School of Architecture, Greene Building, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY
2013 “Megafauna and Micromanagement”, MillerYezerski Gallery, Boston MA

Exhibitions – Two-Person
2014 “ABECEDARIUS: 26 + 1 works by Colin C. Boyd and Michael Oatman, The Arts Center of the Capital Region, Troy, NY

Group Exhibitions
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<td>2014</td>
<td>“Playing with a Full Deck”, Greene Arts, Greene County Council on the Arts, Catskill, NY</td>
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<td>“Remix: Selections from the International Collage Center”, ICC national touring Exhibition,</td>
<td>Curated by Pavel Zoubok and Rachel Lawe, Bates College Museum of Art, Lewiston, ME</td>
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<td>“Some Assembly Required”,</td>
<td>Art and Culture Program, Albany International Airport, Albany, NY.</td>
<td>Sharon Bates, curator</td>
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<td>2012</td>
<td>“Affinity Atlas”, inaugural exhibition of the Wellin Museum, Hamilton College, Hamilton, NY (curated by Ian Berry),</td>
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<td>“ReMix: Selections from the International Collage Center”, Samek Gallery, Bucknell University, Lewisburgh, PA.</td>
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<td>2011</td>
<td>“Point/Counterpoint”, Andrews Gallery, The College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, VA</td>
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**Upcoming Exhibitions / Projects**

**One-person Exhibitions**

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<td>Untitled exhibition, DeCordova Museum and Sculpture Park, Lincoln, MA, Dina Deitsch, curator</td>
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<td>“Print Exchange,” Denise St. Onge Gallery, Troy, NY, Denise St. Onge, curator</td>
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<td>2014</td>
<td>“The Toronto Desk”, jigsaw puzzle/public project in collaboration with Brian Kane for Nuit Blanche 2014, curated by Denise Markonish</td>
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<td>2010</td>
<td>“all utopias fell”, a permanent commission for MASSMoCA, Building 5 and the Power Plant</td>
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<td>“What Are We Waiting For?”, Group Actions by Brian Kane and Michael Oatman, People in Space Project, Shanghai Expo, Shanghai, China</td>
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<td>2010</td>
<td><em>Co-Instructor, Supervisor and Exhibition Designer</em>, “Blindfield”, an installation between Rensselaer School of Architecture and HASS undergraduate and graduate students and Spanish sound artist Francisco Lopez.</td>
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<td><em>Curator</em>, Rensselaer Student Photographers in India, CEPT University, Ahmedabad, India</td>
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<td><em>Co-curator (with Leah Rico)</em> of DWELL, the inaugural exhibition for the Contemporary Arts Center, Woodside, Troy, NY</td>
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<td>2013</td>
<td><em>Co-curator (with Ken Ragsdale)</em> of “An Armory Show” (an installation/exhibition featuring 51 artists from the Capital Region), Opalka Gallery, Sage College of Albany, Albany, NY</td>
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<td>Co-curator (with Hank Murta Adams) of “Preserve”, Museum of American Glass, Wheaton Arts, Millville, NJ</td>
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<td>2018</td>
<td>Co-curator, with Denise Markonish, Devo, MA, Massachusetts Museum of Contemporary Art, North Adams, MA</td>
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### Publications


“Big + Bold”, Albany Institute of History and Art, Winter/Spring 2014, exhibition brochure

“A Pocket Sized Art Collection”, Arts Alive, Greene County Council on the Arts, Issue 96, January/February 2014, p. 1 and 14

Cameron, Dan, “2013 Artists of the Mohawk Hudson Region”, The Hyde Collection, Glens Falls, NY, exhibition brochure, 16 pages

Markonish, Denise, “The One Minute Film Festival”, Massachusetts Museum of Contemporary Art, exhibition brochure, 2013


School of Architecture, Rensselaer (promotional brochure featuring 3 articles on Oatman, his students and projects), 30 pages, 2012

Johnson, Ken, “After School Special, University Art Museum, University at Albany, Albany NY, 2011

### Publications as Writer and/or Designer/Illustrator

Oatman, Michael and Ragsdale, Ken, “An Armory Show”, Opalka Gallery, Sage College, Albany, NY, exhibition catalog, 30 pages


Fallone, Michael, and Bartow, Doug, editors, Oatman, Michael, illustrations for *Slay the Scary Monsters*, id29, Troy, NY, 2010

Oatman, Michael, *Nth*, essay for *Powers of Ten*, an exhibition curated by Torrance Fish, SUNY Potsdam.

### Reviews / Articles / Interviews


Bjornland, Karen, “Art meets science in Arts Center show: Oatman, Boyd collaborate on


McQuaid, Cate, “Behind cheery chaos is a darker picture”, G section, The Boston Globe, November 27, 2103, G11


Ross, Bonnie J., “A ‘Respectacle’ of Art, Memory and Perceptions: Michael Oatman, Ken Ragsdale and An Armory Show”, Capital Region Living, September 2013, pp. 32-33

Biancolli, Amy, “An Armory Show, Then and Now”, Albany Times Union, Preview, Thursday, September 5, 2013, p.18

An Armory Show, Night and Day: Museums and Galleries, Metroland, Vol. 36, #36, Sept. 5, 2013

Blanton, Becky, “Airstream from the Sun, Airstream Life, Spring 2013, pp 10-12


Zimmerman, Emily Berçir, “Eclipse, Ellipse & Ellipsis: An Interview with Michael Oatman”, Big, Red and Shiny, Volume 2, #7, April 16, 2013 (online interview)


Goepfert, Bob, “What’s old is new again”, The Record, March 22, 2012

“Architecture and HASS To Premiere “S9(around)OUND” March 24-25”, Editors, Inside Rensselaer, Volume 6, Number 5, March 16, 2102
Bjornland, Karen, “MASS MoCA spaceship takes visitors up, up and away”, The Gazette, October 6, 2011


"Exhibition Showcases 22 Artists from Jasper Johns form Tara Donovan", Art Daily Sunday, September 19, 2010 (online journal artdaily.org)


**Gallery Representation**

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<td>1986-present</td>
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<td>Providence, RI</td>
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<td>2004-2006</td>
<td>Ziehersmith Gallery</td>
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**Falling Anvil Studios**

Oatman has worked since 2004 with a talented group of architecture students, art students and arts professionals under the title “Falling Anvil Studios”. This frequently changing collective was originally established to handle large projects through the talents of interested students, and has since grown to become an extension of the classroom. Typically, projects are directed to the artist by museums, organizations and private citizens. If Oatman determines that a project is beyond his individual scope, a determination is made as to whether or not the project could benefit from Falling Anvil participation, and, in turn, steps are taken to ensure that interested students also benefit from the experience.

Participants so far include: Alan Okey, Erin Cusker, Jenna Beltram, Matthew Fickett, John Edwards, Craig Hoffman, Shefali Sangvihi, Becky Simkins, Alex Prusakov, Charlotte Root, Alana Ackaki, Kerstin Kraft, Tara Marandino, Ann Cosgrove, James Wolfe, Tanya Zal, Stephanie Zielaskowski, Jasper Goodrich, Elise Dechard, Jisela Vasquez, Haley Schilling, Christopher Zickafoos, Valerie Theodore, Joe Daniele, Joey Fala, Chris Fuller, Michelle Lahneman and many others.

Dedicated studio assistants have included: Gates Hinds, Jasper Goodrich, Alana Ackaki, Max Seiler, Tanya Zal, Stephanie Zielaskowski.

**Project-related Collaboration with Scientific Institutions and Industry**

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<td>&quot;We have weightlessness on Earth&quot;, Random Positioning Machine Technical University of Lodz, Poland Prof Stanislaw Bielecki Prof Bogdan Kruszynski</td>
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<td>Institute of Technical Biochemistry and Medical University of Lodz, Poland Department of Pharmaceutical Biotechnology, Poland Prof. Aleksander Chmiel</td>
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<td>2001-2012</td>
<td>Wolf-Peter Walter Econtis GmbH, The Netherlands</td>
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Individual Exhibitions
2010  "Your personal Biosphere", Kapelica Gallery, Ljubljana, Slovenia

Group Exhibitions
2010  Mediations Biennale, Poznan, Poland
2010  re-architectura 10, Fundacja Spot, Poznan, Poland

Films
2010  "Your Personal Biosphere", Kapelica Gallery, Ljubljana, Slovenia

Lectures
2010  - Center for Biotechnology and Interdisciplinary Studies, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY
      - CASE, Center for Architecture Science and Ecology, NYC
      - Department of the Arts, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy
      - Studio for Creative Inquiry, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh
2011  - Department of the Arts, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy,
      - Department of the Arts, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy,
2012  - Smart Geometry, EMPAC, Troy
      - EMAC, Experimental Media and Performing Arts Center, Troy
      - EMAC, Experimental Media and Performing Arts Center, Troy
      - Faculty of Architecture, Bialystok University of Technology, Bialystok, Poland
      - Academy of Art and Design, Wroclaw, Poland
      - Liceum Sztuk Plastycznych, Suprasl, Poland
2014  - University of Electro-Communications, Chofugaoka, Chofu, Tokyo

Self-Authored Publications
2011  - "A New Biological Habitat", Interview with Zbigniew Oksiuta, Huffpost Arts & Culture
      - "Architecture as a living object" - an interview with Zbigniew Oksiuta, Archirama.pl
2014  - Zbigniew Oksiuta text: "House as Bioreactor"
      For the book "Bio-technologiczny świat. Bio art oraz sztuka technonaukowa w czasach posthumanizmu i transhumanizmu", Editor Piotr Zawojski, Poland
      - "Plechy, Spory, Zarodniki" by Zbigniew Oksiuta, Kwartalnik Rzut, Warsaw, Poland
      - "Ja komornik" by Zbigniew Oksiuta, text for book Lodz, Poland
**Work in Progress**

Project:
"Spatium Gelatum X"
In collaboration with Bureau Wolf Peter Walter, Food and Biotechnology, Meddersheim, Germany
2011-2014

Project:
"Architecture of 60s"
Restoration of "La Bulle six coques", France, Germany, Poland
2006-2014

Project:
Frei Otto
Restoration and display of tent construction of Frei Otto, Germany, Poland
2005-2014

Architectural Project
"House Eugeniusz"
General renovation of the one family building.
Bialystok/Poland

Publication 1:
Zbigniew Oksiuta
"Breeding the Future"
2010-2014

Publication 2
"There's no Place as Foam"
Selected Student Works 2010-2013
Studio Zbigniew Oksiuta
Rensselaer Architecture

**Publications – Essays**

Forthcoming

2015


2014


**Publications Profiling Work**
2013
“Insidte, Thing,” in Graduate Thesis Weekend and Graduation, SCI-Arc magazine, Fall 2013, p.9.


“Inside Ting,” In Sucker Punch, article, 2013.

“Stitch Architecture, the In-Between Space,” in eVolo, 2012.

“Tokyo Onsen & Submerged Forest Visitor Center,” in Bartlett School of Architecture Summer Show Catalogue, Bartlett School of Architecture Press, Unit 8 Section, 2010.

Public Speaking


“UCLA Jumpstart lecture,” UCLA, Los Angeles, Fall 2014.

Exhibitions


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<td>Universidad Piloto de Colombia, Bogota, Colombia</td>
<td>Real Imaginary</td>
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Lectures

Residencies and Grants
March 2014  Brown Fellowship Travel Grant for a ceramic research in the Netherlands.
July 2013  Pratt Institute Visiting Scholar, Ceramics Department. NY, USA.

Individual Presentations
Group Exhibitions
2012  Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY. Smart Geometry 2012, Mille-oeuille, a XXI century zoo.

Published Articles and Conference Papers
2015  PAJ: A Journal of Art and Performance
       Cathryn Dwyre and Chris Perry, guest eds., MIT Press
       “Expanded Fields: Architecture, Landscape, and Performance” Cathryn Dwyre and Chris Perry

       Visioning Technologies: The Architectures of Sight
       Graham Cairns, ed., Ashgate

       Arpa Journal Janette Kim, ed., Columbia GSAPP

2014  Cloud Architecture
       Carla Leitao, ed., Punctum Books
       “The Cloud Studio: An Other Architecture,” Chris Perry

2013  Phyllis Lambert Annual Conference: Milieu, Environment, Umwelt
       University of Montreal, School of Architecture
       “Neo-Picturesque: A Mediated Milieu,” Cathryn Dwyre and Chris Perry

       Bracket Goes Soft: Architecture, Environment, Digital Culture
       Neeraj Bhatia and Lola Sheppard, ed., Actar
       “Fast Company: Architecture and the Speed of Technology,” Chris Perry

       Architecture In:Formation
       Pablo Lorenzo-Eiroa and Aaron Sprecher, ed., Routledge
       “Architecture and Mobility,” Chris Perry

2012  Architecture Inserted: Louis I. Kahn Visiting Assistant Professorship at the Yale School of Architecture
       Nina Rappaport, ed., Yale School of Architecture
       Featured design work, studio design work, and essay “Anticipatory Architecture: CERN 2054,” Chris Perry

       The Digital Turn in Architecture: 1992 - 2012
       Mario Carpo, ed., Wiley-Academy
       “Introduction to Collective Intelligence” (reprinted essay), Christopher Hight and Chris Perry

       2010 30th Annual ACADIA Conference: Life In:Formation
       The Cooper Union School of Architecture
       “Anticipatory Architecture | Extrapolative Design,” Chris Perry

Edited or Authored Publications
2015  PAJ: A Journal of Art and Performance
Cathryn Dwyre and Chris Perry, guest eds., special issue titled Performance and Architecture, MIT Press

ACADIA International Conference Proceedings: Computational Ecologies: Design in the Anthropocene
Chris Perry, co-ed., ACADIA Press

Lectures
2015  ACSA 103rd Annual Meeting
      Keynote Event: Mission Statements
      Design Research at RSoA Mission Statements Keynote Event - seven
      "academic leaders from a new generation" selected to present a "mission
      statement" for architectural education in the twenty-first century, Toronto

2014  Bard College
      Department of Art History
      Dark Ecology and Geofutures: Architecture in the Anthropocene
      Special lecture, Annandale-on-Hudson, New York

2013  The New School
      Eugene Lang College
      Architecture and Mobility Evening Artist Talk series, New York

2010  Yale University
      School of Architecture
      Networks + Environments Evening lecture series, New Haven

Conferences
2015  ACADIA International Conference: Computational Ecologies: Design in the Anthropocene
      Technical Co-Chair: University of Cincinnati

      ACSA 103rd Annual Meeting: The Expanding Periphery and the Migrating Center
      Keynote Speaker and Session Chair: University of Toronto, Ryerson University, University of Waterloo

      PAJ: Performance and Architecture Co-organizer and presenter, Whitebox Gallery, New York City

2013  Phyllis Lambert Seminar (annual conference): Milieu, Environment, Umwelt
      Presenter: University of Montreal, School of Architecture, Montreal

      Resiliency and the Built Environment
      Presenter: Center for Architecture, Science, and Ecology / Center for Biotechnology and Interdisciplinary Studies, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, New York

      Bracket Goes Soft: Architecture, Environment, Digital Culture
      Presenter: Studio-X, Columbia University Graduate School of Architecture, Planning, and Preservation, New York City

2012  Architecture and Contemporary Urbanism Now
      Presenter: Pratt Institute School of Architecture, Brooklyn
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Elsewhere Envisioned Presenter: GLOBAL Design / New York University  
Gallatin School of Individualized Study, New York City |
| 2010  | **ACADIA 2010** Presenter: The Cooper Union School of Architecture, New York City |
|       | **Exhibitions**                                                             |
| 2015  | Omi International Arts Center  
*Dark Ecology* Solo exhibition at Omi International Arts Center, Ghent, New York |
| 2014  | WT SmartCity Award  
*Geofutures* Selected work of Chris Perry’s graduate students in the Geofutures post-professional program at Rensselaer’s School of Architecture. Design work featured as part of Milan’s Design Week, Milan, Italy  
Decad, Berlin  
*Work in Public* Featured work by *servo*, group exhibition, Berlin |
| 2012  | Pratt Institute School of Architecture, Brooklyn  
*Culture Now* Selected work of Chris Perry’s undergraduate thesis students at Rensselaer’s School of Architecture |
| 2011  | Design Museum, Barcelona  
*EcoRedux 2* Commissioned project by pneumastudio, group exhibition curated by Lydia Kallipoliti and Anna Pla Catala, Barcelona  
Gallatin Labowitz Gallery, New York University  
*Elsewhere Envisioned* Commissioned project by pneumastudio, group exhibition curated by Peder Anker, Louise Harpman, and Mitchell Joachim, New York |
| 2010  | Pratt Manhattan Gallery  
*Envelopes* Commissioned project by *servo*, group exhibition curated by Christopher Hight, New York |
|       | **Exhibition Catalogs**                                                     |
| 2014  | *Work in Public*  
Featured project by *servo*, Decad: Press LMP, Berlin |
| 2012  | **EcoRedux 02: Design Manuals for a Dying Planet**  
Featured project by pneumastudio, Design Museum, Barcelona |
|       | **Books**                                                                  |
| 2015  | Post-Sustainability: New Directions in Ecological Design  
Featured work by pneumastudio, ed. Mitchell Joachim and Mike Silver, Metropolis Books/DAP (forthcoming)  
The Atlas of World Housing  
Featured work by pneumastudio, DAMDI Publishing Co., Korea |
<p>| 2014  | <strong>Global Design: Elsewhere Envisioned</strong>                                     |</p>
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Books and Monographs


Journal Articles in Refereed Journals


Bullough, J. D., M. S. Rea. 2011. Intelligent control of roadway lighting to optimize safety benefits per overall costs. *14th Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers Conference on Intelligent Transportation Systems* (pp. 968-972), Washington, DC, October 5-7. New York, NY: Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers.


**Articles in Non-Refereed Journals**


**Abstracts, Letters of Correspondence, Book Reviews, Posters**


Figueiro, M.G., M.S. Rea. Exposure to daylight as well as to blue and red lights at night interact to affect nocturnal performance, subjective sleepiness and biomarker production. Abstract presentation at the Society for Light Treatment and Biological Rhythms, July 10-13, Montreal, Canada.


Rea, M.S., M.G. Figueiro. 2010. Daysimeter: Measuring Light and Activity for Assessing Circadian Entrainment in the Field. Abstract presentation at Society for Prevention Research, June 1-4, Denver, CO.

Figueiro, M.G., M.S. Rea. 2010. The Roles of Circadian Entrainment and Sleep for Psychosocial Stress. Abstract presentation at Society for Prevention Research, June 1-4, Denver, CO.


Posters


Figueiro, M.G., A. Bierman, M.S. Rea. A train of blue-light pulses delivered through closed eyelids can suppress melatonin and phase shift the human circadian system. Poster presentation at Society for Light Treatment and Biological Rhythms 26th Annual Meeting. Vienna, Austria, June 27-29, 2014.

Rea, M.S. and Figueiro, M.G. Towards a working threshold for acute melatonin uppression. Oral presentation at Society for Light Treatment and Biological Rhythms (SLTBR), Vienna, Austria, July 27-29, 2014.

Bullough, J. D. and M. S. Rea. 2014. Applying findings on intelligent warning beacons to rear vehicle lighting for maximizing safety. Societe des Ingenieurs de l'Automobile Vehicle and Infrastructure Safety Improvement in Adverse Conditions and Night Driving Congress


Meeting of the Associated Professional Sleep Societies, LLC, June 11-15, 2011, Minneapolis, Minnesota.


Other Publications – Reports


**Patents**
6 prior to 2010


**Invention Disclosures**

August 2014. Luminous roof for NICU incubators for regulating circadian rhythms in infants and for providing high visibility of infant anatomy for healthcare staff.

**Research Grants – Proposals Funded**

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- US General Services Administration; Daylight and Health Study - $250,000*
- US General Services Administration; Daylight and Health Study (Indoor Light and Human Health Demonstration Research Project – GSA Headquarters Bldg) - $125,000*
- Bonneville Power Administration; Demonstration of outdoor Lighting for Maximizing Perceptions Safety and Security - $62,220
- GMR, Inc.; Automated Teller Machine Lighting: Design Considerations and Criteria - $5,000
- IIHS; Technical Assistance - $2,500
- White Briar Corporation: Light System for Premature Infant Incubators - $49,672
- NIH: Warning Beacons for Front Line Service Worker Safety - $2,191,024
- Leidos (Science Applications International Corporation); Sleep Deprivation Study Support - $173,346 (Year 2) - Confidential project*
- Science Applications International Corproation; Lighting Study Research support - $21,800 (Year 2) - Confidential project*
- Intelligent Automation Inc.; Circadian Rhythm Monitoring and Regulation Device (CMR) - $45,000*
- Respironics; Development of a Sleep Mask for Delivery of Light to Synchronize Circadian Phase with Rest-Activity Patterns - $417,685 (Year 5) – Confidential project*
- NYSERDA; Demonstration of an Advanced, Energy-efficient Solid-state Lighting System for Parking Lot Applications (year2) - $150,000
- Research Foundation of CUNY; High Visibility Reflective Sign Sheeting Evaluation - $200,000 (Year 3)
- Research Foundation of CUNY; Demonstrations of urban outdoor lighting for pedestrian safety and security - $56,695*
Florida State University; Mitigation - $5,508

NYSERDA; Energy, LEDs, and Enhanced Plant Yield in Controlled Environment Agriculture - $499,239 (Year 2)

NYSERDA; Educational Seminar - $20,000*

NYSERDA; Lighting Technology Greenhouse - $200,000 (Year 8)

Research Foundation of CUNY; Nighttime Highway Construction Illumination - $298,665 (Year 4)

NIH; Individually Tailored Lighting System to Improve Sleep in Older Adults - $1,177,498 (Year 2)*

Office of Naval Research; The Effect of Light on Biomarkers: Implications for diabetes and obesity - $199,736*

Office of Naval Research; Measuring Circadian Disruption in the Field - $116,944*

Office of Naval Research; Modeling Human Circadian Response to Light for Optimum Performance in the Field - $789,974 (Year 3)*

NIA; Methodology Issues in a Tailored Light Treatment for Persons with Dementia - $1,966,689 (Year 4)*

**Funded Research Grants – COMPLETED - *denotes Co-PI**

2014-Completed

Science Applications International Corporation; Lighting Study Research support - $21,800 (Year 2) - Confidential project*

Research Foundation of CUNY; High Visibility Reflective Sign Sheeting Evaluation - $200,000 (Year 3)

NYSERDA; Energy, LEDs, and Enhanced Plant Yield in Controlled Environment Agriculture - $499,239 (Year 2)

NYSEDA; Lighting for Dairy Barn Applications - $67,300 (Year 2)

City of Aspen; Demonstration and evaluation of pedestrian crosswalk bollard lighting - $23,500

NYSERDA; Lighting Technology Greenhouse - $200,000 (Year 8)

Research Foundation of CUNY; Nighttime Highway Construction Illumination - $298,665 (Year 4)

Office of Naval Research; The Effect of Light on Biomarkers: Implications for diabetes and obesity - $199,736*

NIA; Methodology Issues in a Tailored Light Treatment for Persons with Dementia - $1,966,689 (Year 4)*

Margot Marsh; Are We Looking for Activity Patterns in all the Wrong Places? - $20,000

2013 – COMPLETED - * denotes Co-PI
NAS; Analysis of New Highway Lighting Technologies - $75,000

Science Applications International Corporation; Search and Rescue Distress Signal Analysis and Measurement Support - $49,510 - Confidential project*

Science Applications International Corporation: Sleep Deprivation Study Support - $52,500 - Confidential project*

Science Applications International Corporation; Lighting Study Research support - $14,000 - Confidential project*

Respironics; Development of a Sleep Mask for Delivery of Light to Synchronize Circadian Phase with Rest-Activity Patterns - $337,225 – Confidential project*

NYSERDA; Demonstration of an Advanced, Energy-efficient Solid-state Lighting System for Parking Lot Applications - $150,000

NYSERDA; Energy, LEDs, and Enhanced Plant Yield in Controlled Environment Agriculture - $499,239 Year 1)

NYSEDA; Lighting for Dairy Barn Applications - $49,500

Research Foundation of CUNY; Innovative Roadway Light Source and Dye Combinations to Improve Visibility and Reduce Environmental Impact for Roadway Lighting Applications - $50,000

Research Foundation of CUNY; High Visibility Reflective Sign Sheeting Evaluation - $200,000 (Year 2)

Research Foundation of CUNY; Nighttime Highway Construction Illumination - $298,665 (Year3)

NIH; Individually Tailored Lighting System to Improve Sleep in Older Adults - $3,526,524 (Year 1)*

Office of Naval Research; The Effect of Light on Biomarkers: Implications for diabetes and obesity - $199,736*

Office of Naval Research; Modeling Human Circadian Response to Light for Optimum Performance in the Field - $549,975 (Year 2)*

NIA; Methodology Issues in a Tailored Light Treatment for Persons with Dementia - $1,019,613 (Year 3)*

NYSERDA; Lighting Technology Greenhouse - $200,000 (Year 7)

2012 – COMPLETED - *denotes Co-PI

Jim McClung Lighting Research Foundation; Optimizing Light Source Spectra for Brightness in Outdoor Lighting Applications - $60,000

NI: Issues with use of Airfield LED Light Fixtures - $35,000

Seoul Semiconductor; The Effect of Light Emitting Diodes on Biomarkers - $225,000 (Year 1) Confidential Project
NYSERDA; Guide for Optimizing the Effectiveness & Efficiency of Roadway Lighting - $15,000

Research Foundation of CUNY; High Visibility Reflective Sign Sheeting Evaluation - $200,000 (Year 1)

Research Foundation of CUNY; Nighttime Highway Construction Illumination - $298,665 (Year 2)

Research Foundation of CUNY; Using Light to Alter Driver Behavior - $209,863 Office of Naval Research; Modeling Human Circadian Response to Light for Optimum Performance in the Field - $340,000 (Year 1)

NIA; Methodology Issues in a Tailored Light Treatment for Person with Dementia - $1,019,613 (Year 2)

Office of Naval Research; Color Information for the Circadian System - $170,000 (Year 3)

2011 COMPLETED - *denotes Co-PI

NYSERDA; Lighting Technology Greenhouse - $200,000 (Year 4)

NIH; Personal Light Measuring Device for Correcting Circadian Disruption - $1,800,000 (Year 4)

Office of Naval Research; Alerting Effects of Light at Different Circadian Phases in Humans - $58,616 (year 3)

NIDA; Personal Light Measuring Device for Correcting Circadian Disruption - $63,000 (year 3)

NEMA; Quantification of Day/Night Light Exposure - $50,000

Respironics; Development of a Sleep mask for Delivery of Light to Synchronize Circadian Phase with Rest-Activity Patterns - $70,000 – Confidential project

NYSERDA; Energy Conservation Standards - $140,000 (year 3)

NEMA; Quantification of Day/Night Light Exposure - $50,000

NINR; Using Light to Increase Visual and Perceptual Cues and Decrease Falls Risk - $187,819

Research Foundation of CUNY; Barricade Lighting Systems - $49,983

Genlyte Thomas Group; Effects of LEDs on Light-Sensitive Materials - $28,000

ICF, Inc.; Energy Star Program - $41,210 (year 2)

NYSERDA; Energy Efficient and Safe Roadway Travel – phase II Demonstration Project - $299, 698

Research Foundation of CUNY; Nighttime Highway Construction Illumination - $298,665

2010 COMPLETED - *Denotes Co-PI

NYSERDA; Lighting Technology Greenhouse - $200,000 (Year 3)
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**Grant Proposals Submitted and Not Funded Pending**

- NIH: Light Exposure and Avoidance System to Facilitate Sleep in College Students - 2,235,839
- NIH: Lighting Interventions to Reduce Circadian Disruption in Rotating Shift Workers - $2,226-377
- NYSERDA: Using Dynamic Messaging to Increase Energy Conserving Behavior - $98,882
- NIH: Combinatorial Environmental Insults on Transgenerational Effects - $907,346
- Duke University: Lemur Catta: A diurnal Animal Model to Study the Aging Circadian System - $1,662,716
- NIH: Light as a Non-Pharmacological Treatment for Managing Chronic Pain Stress - $2,527,232
- Mount Sinai School of Medicine; Light to Prevent/Control Negative Squelae of Cancer and its Treatment - $121,652
- White Briar Corporation; Lighting System for Premature Infants Incubators Phase II - $597,932
- Lund Institute of Technology; Swedish Healthy Home Metrics Research - $186,351

**Research Interests**

Vision, color, psychology, energy, circadian phototransduction.

**Editorship of Journals, Reviews of Manuscripts, Books and Research Proposals**

Referee for the journal, *Lighting Research and Technology* - 1984 to present.

Editorial Board, *Lighting Research and Technology* - 2000 to present

**A. Rempel**

**Projects**

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<td>High-Performance Building Design Consulting: Energy modeling, field monitoring, Performance evaluation, and LEED documentation of daylighting, passive solar heating, natural ventilation and evaporative cooling, geothermal, photovoltaic, and advanced VAV systems for diverse buildings, including: Vernonia K-12 School (Vernonia, OR); LEED Platinum Cascadia Center for Sustainable Design (Seattle, WA); Living Building Challenge Columbia Wastewater Treatment Support Facility (Portland, OR); LEED Gold Everett Community College (Everett, WA) Lane Community College Downtown Campus (Eugene, OR); LEED Platinum Slocum Medical Center (Eugene, OR); LEED Gold Wheeler Pavilion, Lane County Fairgrounds (Eugene, OR)</td>
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**Reviewer, etc.**

2013 National Science Foundation, Reviewer, Sustainability: Green Buildings.

American Institute of Architects, SW Oregon, Guest speaker, Passive Solar Design.

Society of Building Science Educators, Nominee for Secretary/Treasurer

2012-13 American Solar Energy Society, technical reviewer, Passive Buildings Section

2009-10 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Reviewer, SBIR Green Buildings Program

**Publications Peer-Reviewed**


**Exhibitions**

- Anthony Titus: Surface Mining, AAP, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, 2014
- Marginal Tactics, University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI, 2014
- Sleeping Life, Rensselaer Black Box Gallery, 2012
- Base Illusions, Museum 52 New York, NY, 2011
- Bare Subversion, Kidd Yellin Gallery New York, NY, 2010
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<td>30th National Conference on the Beginning Design Student 2014, Spaces of Three Ecologies (Conference)</td>
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<td>MAK Center in Los Angeles 2014, Urban Hopes, Made in China (Upcoming Symposium)</td>
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<td>Harvard Graduate School of Design 2013, Haters Make Me Famous: Newark’s Riverfront &amp; The Post-Great Migration City (Symposium)</td>
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<td>Pioneer Works 2013, Twisted Siblings, Relationships Between Contemporary Painting &amp; Digital Architecture (Lecture)</td>
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<td>Athens Institute for Education and Research 2013, “Pedagogy in Motion” (Conference)</td>
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<td>University of North Carolina at Charlotte 2013 “Hybridized Pedagogies” (Conference)</td>
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### Publications
- Upcoming Essay, Cloud Architecture Publication, Carla Leitao (ed) 2015
- Peter Noever, Vienna for Art’s Sake! - Exhibition Catalog, 2014
- *Eyes To The Ground, Visionary Notions Of The Urban Landscape*, Urban Hopes, Made In China By Steven Holl, Christopn a. Kumpusch (ed), 2014
- *Hybridized Pedagogies*, The Visibility of Research, 2013

### Visiting Critic
- Art Center Environmental Studies, Pasadena, Ca
- Arts Letters & Numbers, Averill Park, NY
- Barnard College, New York, NY
- Bennington, Bennington, VT
- City College Undergraduate Architecture, New York, NY
- Columbia University GSAPP, New York, NY
- Cornell University AAP, Ithaca, NY
- Harvard Graduate School of Design, Cambridge, Ma
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Ma
- Parsons/New School, New York, NY
- Rhode Island School of Design
- Sci-Arc, Los Angeles, Ca
- University of Idaho, Moscow, Id
- University of Maryland, College Park, MD
- Yale University, New Haven, CT

### Patents


**Refereed Journal Articles**


**Refereed Conference Articles**


Non-Refereed Conference Articles and Abstracts


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Soc. Am.*, 127, pp. 2026.

volumes with an automated high spatial-resolution scanning system (A), *J. Acoust. Soc.

Xiang, N., Jasa, T. and Braasch, J. (2010): Nested sampling for room-acoustics energy

**Research Grants and Contracts – White Papers**

DoD W81XWH-14-DMRDP-JPC1-TPT: Identifying the Processes that Underpin Expertise,
Developing Simulation Training Procedures and Reducing Patient Harm in Emergency
Medicine, Jan. 25th 2015 $1.5M (3 years).

**Proposals – Not Funded**

FGI 2010, white paper: Innovative Acoustics Materials for Healthcare Facilities, PI N. Xiang,
$350K.

NSF11-1440, Collaborative Research: Novel Use of Synthetic Jet Actuators for Indoor Air
Quality Control, co-PI Lupita Montoya, co-PI N. Xiang, $374,9K.

US Army A11a-T006, Interactive Acoustic Simulation in Urban and Complex Environments,
$100K, co-PI N. Xiang (for RPI, $35K).

NVIDIA 2011-09, Adaptive hybrid simulation methods for real-time acoustic scene rendering
in complex environments, PI, N. Xiang ($30K).

NSF PD 10-1271 (proposal): Efficient high-dimensional inverse analysis of multilayer
poroelastic acoustic materials, PI. N. Xiang, ($235K)

DARPA-BAA-11-65: Acoustic Metamaterials Based on Porous Multiscale Networks of
Nanoparticles for Broadband Drastic Acoustic Attenuation and Blast Wave Mitigation, PI, Dr.
Lu (Univ Texas Dallas), co-PI. N. Xiang, ($1M)

FGI 2013 (proposal): Validations of real implementation according to the Facility Guidelines
for Healthcare Facilities, PI N. Xiang, $50K.

NSF-DMS: Efficient high-dimensional inversion employing Lebesgue integration as
a mathematical foundation, PI. N. Xiang, $230K (2 years).

NSF-CHS: SMALL: Multimodal immersive, real-time resynthesis of rooms (MIRROR), J.
Braasch (PI), N. Xiang (co-PI), $400K (3 years).

NSF-DMREF: Collaborative research: Ductile aerogels for drastic damping of acoustic
waves, H. Lu (PI), N. Xiang (co-PI), $261K (3 years).

ST.GOBAIN: Next generation gypsum wallboard: Two innovative, proprietary materials and
assemblies for improving low frequency sound transmission loss, PI. N. Xiang, $150K (1
year).

ARHQ: Using simulation to optimize clinical performance by engineering the acoustic
environment, B. Robin (PI) and N. Xiang (co-PI) $750K (3 years)
NSF-MoMS: Collaborative Research: Hierarchically Structured Ductile Aerogels for Broadband Acoustic Wave Attenuation, H. Lu (PI), N. Xiang (co-PI) $400K

NSF-CHS: SMALL: MULTIMODAL, IMMERSIVE, REAL-TIME RESYNTHESIS OF ROOMS (MIRROR), J. BRAASCH (PI), N. XIANG (CO-PI) $482K.

Research Interests
Laser Doppler vibrometry-based miniature acoustic sensors for scale-modeling technique (development of NSF oriented research projects)

Dynamic properties of aerogel materials for high damping and low-cost, low weight (development of NSF and defense oriented research projects)

Application of nonlinear identification technology in detection of burial objects (development of DoD oriented research projects)

Alarm fatigue in healthcare facilities (development of NIH-oriented research projects)

Editorship of Journals, Reviews of Manuscripts, Books, and Research Proposals
Since Dec. 2003: Associate Editor, the Journal of the Acoustical Society of America,


Reviewer for IEEE

Reviewer for J. Acoustical Society of America.

Reviewer for Express Letters in J. Acoustical Society of America.

Reviewer for J. Computational Acoustics.

Reviewer for ACUSTICA – Acta Acustica.

Reviewer for J. Sound and Vibration.

Reviewer for J. Applied Acoustics.

Reviewer for Building Simulation: An International Journal.

Reviewer for International J. of Environmental Modeling and Software.

Reviewer for J. of Signal Image and Video Processing.

Reviewer for International J. of Signal and Imaging Systems Engineering.


Reviewer for Noise Control Engineering Journal.
Organizational Chart 1: Primary Direct Reports

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Evan Douglis

Associate Dean
Mark Mistur

IT Director
Robert Wolsey

Graduate Programs
Head of Graduate Studies
Chris Perry

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Graduate Research Programs

Faculty

Operational Direct Reports

Staff

1 CASE Director
Anna Dyson

2 Lighting Research Center
Mark Rea

3 Architectural Acoustics
Ning Xiang

4 Online Projects Coordinator
Gustavo Crembil

5 Director of Publications
Adam Dayem

6 Dean’s Executive Assistant
Pam Zepf

7 Business Manager
Francine Fredette

8 M.Arch Director
Lonn Combs

9 M.Arch II Director
Chris Perry

10 Demetrios Comodromos
11 Nancy Diniz
12 Josh Draper
13 Assoc. Director
Russ Leslie
14 Nadarajah Narendran

15 Mariana Figueiro
16 Research + Admin. Staff
17 Business Coordinator
Carly Brackett
18 Business Administrator
Anna Gandhi
19 Senior Student Services Admin.
Vicki Pocorobba

20 Student Services Admin.
Lecia O’Dell
21 Shop Director
Bill Bergman
22 Assistant Shop Director
James Van Duyne

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Organizational Chart 2: Secondary Direct Reports

Head of Graduate Studies
Chris Perry

Graduate Academic Programs
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*The ARCH-4300 number is incorrect, 2015-16 catalog lists it that way. Will be corrected by S 2016.
STATEMENT OF ACCREDITATION STATUS

RENSSELAER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE
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Troy, NY 12180-3590
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Chief Executive Officer: Dr. Shirley Ann Jackson, President

INSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION

Fall Enrollment (Headcount): 5557 Undergraduate; 1380 Graduate
Control: Private (Non-Profit)
Affiliation: None
Carnegie Classification: Research - Very High Research Activity
Approved Degree Levels: Bachelor's, Master's, Doctor's - Research/Scholarship;
Distance Education Programs: Fully Approved
Accreditors Recognized by U.S. Secretary of Education: n/a

Other Accreditors: Undergraduate degree programs in chemistry are certified by the American Chemical Society; professional programs in architecture are accredited by the National Architecture Accrediting Board. The Lally School of Management is an accredited member of the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business, an international accreditation. Eleven of the School of Engineering bachelor's programs are individually accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of ABET (Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology), www.abet.org.

Instructional Locations

Branch Campuses: Rensselaer at Hartford, Hartford, CT

Additional Locations: Pratt and Whitney Aircraft North Berwick Engineering Centere, North Berwick, ME (ANYA)

Other Instructional Sites: Center for Architecture Science and Ecology, New York, NY; Darrin Fresh Water Institute, Bolton Landing, NY; Rensselaer at Groton Site, Groton, CT

ACCREDITATION INFORMATION

Status: Member since 1927
Last Reaffirmed: November 17, 2011

Most Recent Commission Action:
October 27, 2014: To acknowledge receipt of the substantive change request and to include the additional location at Pratt and Whitney Aircraft North Berwick Engineering Center, 113 Wells Street, North Berwick, ME 03609 within the scope of the institution’s accreditation, pending a site visit within six months of the
commencement of operations at the additional location. The Commission requires written notification within thirty days of the commencement of operations. In the event that operations at the additional location do not commence within one calendar year from the approval of this action, approval will lapse. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2015-2016.

**Brief History Since Last Comprehensive Evaluation:**

**November 17, 2011:** To accept the Periodic Review Report and to reaffirm accreditation. To request a progress report, due April 1, 2013, documenting evidence of the implementation of the new faculty governance structure and of assessment of its effectiveness (Standard 4). The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2015-2016.

**June 27, 2013:** To accept the progress report. The next evaluation visit is scheduled for 2015-2016.

**Next Self-Study Evaluation:** 2015 - 2016

**Next Periodic Review Report:** 2021

**Date Printed:** August 4, 2015

**DEFINITIONS**

**Branch Campus** - A location of an institution that is geographically apart and independent of the main campus of the institution. The location is independent if the location: offers courses in educational programs leading to a degree, certificate, or other recognized educational credential; has its own faculty and administrative or supervisory organization; and has its own budgetary and hiring authority.

**Additional Location** - A location, other than a branch campus, that is geographically apart from the main campus and at which the institution offers at least 50 percent of an educational program. ANYA ("Approved but Not Yet Active") indicates that the location is included within the scope of accreditation but has not yet begun to offer courses. This designation is removed after the Commission receives notification that courses have begun at this location.

**Other Instructional Sites** - A location, other than a branch campus or additional location, at which the institution offers one or more courses for credit.

**Distance Education Programs** - Fully Approved, Approved (one program approved) or Not Approved indicates whether or not the institution has been approved to offer diploma/certificate/degree programs via distance education (programs for which students could meet 50% or more of the requirements of the program by taking distance education courses). Per the Commission's Substantive Change policy, Commission approval of the first two Distance Education programs is required to be "Fully Approved." If only one program is approved by the Commission, the specific name of the program will be listed in parentheses after "Approved."

**EXPLANATION OF COMMISSION ACTIONS**

An institution's accreditation continues unless it is explicitly withdrawn or the institution voluntarily allows its accreditation to lapse. In addition to reviewing the institution's accreditation status at least every 5 years, the Commission takes actions to approve substantive changes (such as a new degree or certificate level, opening or closing of a geographical site, or a change of ownership) or when other events occur that require review for continued compliance.

Any type of report or visit required by the Commission is reviewed and voted on by the Commission. Reports submitted for candidacy, self-study evaluation, periodic review or follow-up may be accepted, acknowledged, or rejected.
The Commission “Accepts” a report when its quality, thoroughness, and clarity are sufficient to respond to all of the Commission’s concerns, without requiring additional information in order to assess the institution’s status.

The Commission “Documents receipt of” a letter or report when it addresses the Commission’s concerns only partially because the letter or report had limited institutional responses to requested information, did not present evidence and analysis conducive to Commission review, were of insufficient quality, or necessitated extraordinary effort by the Commission’s representatives and staff performing the review. Relevant reasons for not accepting the letter or report are noted in the action. The Commission may or may not require additional information in order to assess the institution’s status.

The Commission “Rejects” a letter or report when its quality or substance are insufficient to respond appropriately to the Commission’s concerns. The Commission requires the institution to resubmit the report and may request a visit at its discretion. These terms may be used for any action (reaffirm, postpone, warn, etc.).

Types of Follow-Up Reports:

**Accreditation Readiness Report (ARR)**: The institution prepares an initial Accreditation Readiness Report during the application phase and continually updates it throughout the candidacy process. It is for use both by the institution and the Commission to present and summarize documented evidence and analysis of the institution’s current or potential compliance with the Commission’s accreditation standards.

**Progress Report**: The Commission needs assurance that the institution is carrying out activities that were planned or were being implemented at the time of a report or on-site visit.

**Monitoring Report**: There is a potential for the institution to become non-compliant with MSCHES standards; issues are more complex or more numerous; or issues require a substantive, detailed report. A visit may or may not be required. Monitoring reports are required for non-compliance actions.

**Supplemental Information Report**: This report is intended only to allow the institution to provide further information, not to give the institution time to formulate plans or initiate remedial action. This report is required when a decision is postponed. The Commission may request a supplemental information report at any time during the accreditation cycle.

Commendations:

Periodically, the Commission may include commendations to the institution within the action language. There are three commendations. More than one commendation may be given at the same time:

To commend the institution for the quality of the [Self-Study or PRR] report. The document itself was notably well-written, honest, insightful, and/or useful.

To commend the institution for the quality of its [Self-Study or PRR] process. The Self-Study process was notably inclusive.

To recognize the institution’s progress to date. This is recognition for institutions that had serious challenges or problems but have made significant progress.

**Affirming Actions**

**Grant Candidate for Accreditation Status**: This is a pre-accreditation status following a specified process for application and institutional self-study. For details about the application process, see the MSCHES publication, Becoming Accredited. The U.S. Department of Education labels Candidacy as “Pre-accreditation” and defines it as the status of public recognition that an accrediting agency grants to an institution or program for a limited period of time that signifies the agency has determined that the institution or program is progressing toward accreditation but is not assured of accreditation) before the expiration of that limited period of time. Upon a grant of candidate for accreditation status, the institution may be asked to submit additional Accreditation Readiness Reports until it is ready to initiate self study.

**Grant Accreditation**: The Commission has acted to grant accreditation to a Candidate institution and does not require the submission of a written report prior to the next scheduled accreditation review in five years.
Grant Accreditation and request a Progress Report or Monitoring Report: The Commission has acted to grant accreditation to a Candidate institution but requires the submission of a written report prior to the next scheduled accreditation review to ensure that the institution is carrying out activities that were planned or were being implemented at the time of the report or on-site visit.

Reaffirm Accreditation via Self Study or Periodic Review Report: The Commission has acted to reaffirm accreditation and does not require the submission of a written report prior to the next scheduled accreditation review in five years. The action language may include recommendations to be addressed in the next Periodic Review Report or Self Study. Suggestions for improvement are given, but no written follow-up reporting is needed for compliance.

Reaffirm Accreditation via Self Study or Periodic Review Report and request a Progress Report or Monitoring Report: The Commission has acted to reaffirm accreditation but requires the submission of a written report prior to the next scheduled accreditation review to ensure that the institution is carrying out activities that were planned or were being implemented at the time of the report or on-site visit.

Administrative Actions

Continue Accreditation: A delay of up to one year may be granted to ensure a current and accurate representation of the institution or in the event of circumstances beyond the institution’s control (natural disaster, U.S. State Department travel warnings, etc.). The institution maintains its status with the Commission during this period.

Procedural Actions

Defer a decision on initial accreditation: The Candidate institution shows promise but the evaluation team has identified issues of concern and recommends that the institution be given a specified time period to address those concerns. Institutions may not stay in candidacy more than 5 years.

Postpone a decision on (re)affirmation of accreditation: The Commission has determined that there is insufficient information to substantiate institutional compliance with one or more standards. The Commission requests a supplemental information report.

Voluntary Lapse of Accreditation: The institution has allowed its accreditation to lapse by not completing required obligations. The institution is no longer a member of the Commission upon the determined date that accreditation will cease.

Non-Compliance Actions

Warning: A Warning indicates that an institution has been determined by the Commission not to meet one or more standards for accreditation. A follow-up report, called a monitoring report, is required to demonstrate that the institution has made appropriate improvements to bring itself into compliance.

Probation: Probation indicates that an institution has been determined by the Commission not to meet one or more standards for accreditation and is an indication of a serious concern on the part of the Commission regarding the level and/or scope of non-compliance issues related to the standards. The Commission will place an institution on Probation if the Commission is concerned about one or more of the following:

1. the adequacy of the education provided by the institution;
2. the institution’s capacity to make appropriate improvements in a timely fashion; or
3. the institution’s capacity to sustain itself in the long term.

Probation is often, but need not always be, preceded by an action of Warning or Postponement. If the Commission had previously postponed a decision or placed the institution on Warning, the Commission may place the institution on Probation if it determines that the institution has failed to address satisfactorily the Commission’s concerns in the prior action of postponement or warning regarding compliance with Commission standards. This action is accompanied by a request for a monitoring report, and a special visit follows. Probation may, but need not always, precede an action of Show Cause.

By federal regulation, the Commission must take immediate action to withdraw accreditation if an institution is out of compliance with accreditation standards for two years, unless the time is extended for good cause.
Show Cause: An institution is asked to demonstrate why its accreditation should not be withdrawn. A written report from the institution (including a teach out plan) and a follow-up team visit are required. The institution has the opportunity to appear before the Commission when the Commission meets to consider the institution's Show Cause status. Show Cause may occur during or at the end of the two-year Probation period, or at any time the Commission determines that an institution must demonstrate why its accreditation should not be withdrawn (i.e. Probation is not a necessary precursor to Show Cause).

Adverse Actions

Withdrawal of Accreditation: An institution's candidate or accredited status is withdrawn and with it, membership in the association. If the institution appeals this action, its accreditation remains in effect until the appeal is completed.

Denial of Accreditation: An institution is denied initial accreditation because it does not meet the Commission's requirements of affiliation or accreditation standards during the period allowed for candidacy. If the institution appeals this action, its candidacy remains in effect until the appeal is completed.

Appeal: The withdrawal or denial of candidacy or accreditation may be appealed. Institutions remain accredited (or candidates for accreditation) during the period of the appeal.

Other actions are described in the Commission policy, "Range of Commission Actions on Accreditation."
Statistical Reports-Certification Letter
September 10, 2015

National Architectural Accreditation Board
1101 Connecticut Avenue, NW
Suite 410
Washington, D.C. 20036

To Whom It May Concern:

By my signature below, I certify that to the best of my knowledge all statistical data submitted to NAAB in this report has been verified by the Institute and is consistent with Institutional reports to national and regional agencies, including the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System of the National Center for Education Statistics.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Jack Mahoney
Director of Institutional Research
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FIRST YEAR SPRING SEMESTER
The Building & Thinking of Architecture 2 [parts replaced by ARCH‐4100 & ‐4110 in 2015 ‐ 16]
Energy, Comfort, & Ecology
Digital Constructs 2
Architectural Design Studio 2
Architectural Case Studies
Modernity in Culture, Civilization, & Architecture 1

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SECOND YEAR FALL SEMESTER
Architecture Design 2 [replaced by ARCH‐2820 in fall 2015]
Structures 1
Construction Systems
Digital Constructs 3
Architectural Design Studio 3 [replaces ARCH‐2220 beginning in fall 2015]
An Architectural Genealogy 1 [replaces parts of ARCH‐2110 & ‐2120]
Modernity in Culture, Civilization, & Architecture 2

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Markov
Comodromos
Hower
Bell
Bell
Kallipoliti

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SECOND YEAR SPRING SEMESTER
The Building & Thinking of Architecture 3 {taught for the final time in spring 2015]
Architecture Design 3 [will be replaced by ARCH‐2830 in spring 2016]
Environmental & Ecological Systems
Digital Constructs 4 [will not be taught until spring 2016]
Architectural Design Studio 4 [replaces ARCH‐2230 beginning in spring 2016]
An Architectural Genealogy 2 [replaces parts of ARCH‐2110 & ‐2120]

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THIRD YEAR FALL SEMESTER
Modernity in Culture & Architecture [taught for the final time in fall 2015]
Architecture Design 4 [replaced in 2016‐17 by ARCH‐4770]
Architecture Design 4 [replaced in 2016‐17 by ARCH‐4770]
Architecture Design 4 [replaced in 2016‐17 by ARCH‐4770]
Architecture Design 4 [replaced in 2016‐17 by ARCH‐4770]
Architecture Design 4 [Rome‐2014] [replaced in 2016‐17 by ARCH‐4770.5]
Architecture Design 4 [Rome‐2015] [replaced in 2016‐17 by ARCH‐4770.5]
Architecture Design 4 [CASE] [replaced in 2016‐17 by ARCH‐4770.8]
Structures 2
Integrated Design Schematic Studio [will replace ARCH‐4963 in fall 2016]
Integrated Design Schematic [replaced by ARCH‐4820 in fall 2016]

Kallipoliti
multiple options
Joachim/Fessel
Oatman
Oksiuta
Perez‐Guembe
Oksiuta
Comodromos
Markov
Combs
Krueger

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THIRD YEAR SPRING SEMESTER
Contemporary Design Approaches {becomes ARCH‐4150 ‐ spring 2017]
Architecture Design 5 [replaced in 2016‐17 by ARCH‐4780]
Architecture Design 5 [replaced in 2016‐17 by ARCH‐4780]
Architecture Design 5 [replaced in 2016‐17 by ARCH‐4780]
Architecture Design 5 [China] [replaced in 2016‐17 by ARCH‐4780.6]
Architecture Design 5 [India] [replaced in 2016‐17 by ARCH‐4780.7]
Architecture Design 5 [CASE] [replaced in 2016‐17 by ARCH‐4780.8]
Professional Practice 1
Materials & Enclosure [will move to 3rd‐year fall semester in 2016]
Building Systems & Environment
Intgrated Design Development Studio [will replace ARCH‐4300 beginning 2017]

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Oatman
Oksiuta
Stover
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Comodromos
Reilly
Comodromos
Holmes
Mistur

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FOURTH YEAR FALL SEMESTER
Cities & Their Territories
Architecture Design 6 [replaced in 2016‐17 by ARCH‐4790]
Architecture Design 6 [replaced in 2016‐17 by ARCH‐4790]
Architecture Design 6 [replaced in 2016‐17 by ARCH‐4790]
Architecture Design 6 [replaced in 2016‐17 by ARCH‐4790]
Architecture Design 4 [Rome‐2014] [replaced in 2016‐17 by ARCH‐4770.5]
Architecture Design 6 [Rome‐2015] [replaced in 2016‐17 by ARCH‐4790.5]
Architecture Design 6 [CASE] [replaced in 2016‐17 by ARCH‐4790.8]
Design Development [replaced by ARCH‐4830 in 2017]
Professional Practice 1
Case Studies [taught for the final time in fall 2015]

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multiple options
Joachim/Fessel
Oatman
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Perez‐Guembe
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FOURTH YEAR SPRING SEMESTER
Cities/Lands [taught for the final time in spring 2014]
Architecture Design 6 [replaced in 2016‐17 by ARCH‐4790]
Architecture Design 6 [replaced in 2016‐17 by ARCH‐4790]
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Architecture Design 6 [China] [replaced in 2016‐17 by ARCH‐4790.6]
Architecture Design 6 [India] [replaced in 2016‐17 by ARCH‐4790.7]
Architecture Design 6 [CASE] [replaced in 2016‐17 by ARCH‐4790.8]
Design Development [replaced by ARCH‐4830 in 2017]
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FIFTH YEAR FALL SEMESTER
Professional Practice 2
Architectural Design Studio 7 [replaced ARCH‐4980 in fall 2016]
Final Project Design Research Seminar
B. Arch Final Project 1 [replaced by ARCH‐4790 in fall 2016]
Methods Seminar [replaced in fall 2016 by ARCH‐4919]

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FIFTH YEAR SPRING SEMESTER
The Economics of Architecture [will not be taught with ARCH designation until S 2019]
B. Arch Final Project 2 [replaced by new ARCH‐4920 in spring 2017]
B. Arch Final Project [replaces existing ARCH‐4990 in spring 2017]

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Perry

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4070 Topics: Twisted Siblings ‐‐ Relationship btw Contemporary Painting & Architecture
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4170.8 Environmental Parametrics
LGHT
4230 Lighting Design
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4340 Topics: Structural Morphology
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4580.8 Topics: Materials & Systems Production
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4730 Topics: Sustainable Building Design Strategies
ARCH
4750 Topics: Sustainable Building Design Metrics
LGHT
4770 Lighting Technology & Applications
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4840 Architectural Acoustics 1
LGHT
4840 Human Factors in Lighting
ARCH
4850 Architectural Acoustics 2
ARCH
4860 Topics: Applied Psychoacoustics
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4931 Topics: The Man Next Door‐A. Hitchcock & the Architecture of Fear
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4936.8 Topics: Research Investigations
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4960 Topics:Production, Installation, Performance Planning Seminar
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4960 Topics: Self‐Organizing Spaces
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4961 Topics: Duchamp Seminar
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4961 Topics: Research Seminar in Universal Design
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4961 Topics: Latin American Architecture
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4964 Topics: Line as Technique & Too Many Vectors
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6860 Topics: Applied Psychoacoustics [grad only]
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FIRST YEAR FALL SEMESTER
Graduate Architecture Design 2 [replaced by ARCH‐5200 in fall 2015]
History, Theory, Criticism 1 [co‐listed with ARCH‐4100 & ‐4130]
Structures 1 [folded into ARCH‐2330]
Digital Constructs 1 [co‐listed with ARCH‐2540]
Graduate Architecture Design 1 [replaces ARCH‐2620 in fall 2015]
Materials & Constuction Systems [a composite of ARCH‐2510 & ‐2350]

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FIRST YEAR SPRING SEMESTER
Graduate Architecture Design 3 [ARCH‐5210 will replace it in spring 2016]
History, Theory, Criticism 2 [co‐listed with ARCH‐4110 & ‐4120]
Digital Constructs 2 [co‐listed with ARCH‐2550] [taught beginning spring 2016]
Graduate Architecture Design 2 [replaces Arch‐2630 in spring 2016]
Environmental & Ecological Systems [co‐listed with ARCH‐2360]
Economics & Architecture [begins spring 2019 ‐ course in Mgmnt School TBA until]

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Figueiro
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Braasch
Oatman
Draper
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Crembil
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De Luna
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Stover
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SECOND YEAR FALL SEMESTER
Graduate Architecture Design 4 [CASE] [replaced by ARCH‐6610.8 in fall 2016 & becomes GAD3]
Structures 2 [co‐listed with ARCH‐4330]
Built Ecologies 1
Environmental Parametrics Workshop [CASE] [last taught fall 2014 ‐ replaced by ARCH‐6380.8]
Environmental Parametrics [CASE] [replaces ARCH‐6370.8 in fall 2015]
Graduate Architecture Design 3 [CASE] [replaces ARCH‐4360.8 in fall 2016]
Research Design Seminar [CASE]

SECOND YEAR SPRING SEMESTER
4300* Design Development [will become ARCH‐6630 in 2017 & co‐listed with ARCH‐4830]*
* The ARCH‐4300 number for this course in the catalog is incorrect; this will be corrected by spring 2016.
4560 Materials & Enclosure [will become ARCH‐5340 and be taught in fall beginning 2017]
5360 Building Systems & Environment [co‐listed with ARCH‐4740]
5380 Professional Practice 1 [co‐listed with ARCH‐4540]
6620 Graduate Architecture Design 4 [co‐listed with ARCH‐4820 & begins spring 2016]
6680 History, Theory, Criticism 3 [begins spring 2016] co‐listed with ARCH‐4090 & ‐2130]

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THIRD YEAR FALL SEMESTER
Modernity in Culture & Architecture [taught for the last time in fall 2015]
Materials & Enclosure [co‐listed with ARCH‐4560] starts in fall 2017
Professional Practice 1 [co‐listed with ARCH‐4540]
Graduate Architecture Design 5 [former ARCH‐4300, replaces ARCH‐6980 in fall 2016]
Final Project Research Seminar [replaces ARCH‐6981 in fall 2016]
Master's Project [replaced by ARCH‐6630 in fall 2016]
Methods Seminar [replaced by ARCH‐6750 in fall 2016]

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THIRD YEAR SPRING SEMESTER
Professional Practice 2 [co‐listed with ARCH‐4550]
Graduate Final Project [replaces ARCH‐6980 beginning in spring 2017]
Masters Project [replaced by ARCH‐6948 in spring 2017]

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Markov
Rempel
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Comodromos
Holmes
Reilly
Krueger
Crembil & TBA

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B. ARCH REQUIRED COURSES
1ST-YEAR FALL SEMESTER
ARCH-2110: The Building and Thinking of Architecture 1* (4 credits)

Course Description: This course addresses the history and theory of architecture in both western and non-western civilizations [Egypt, Greece, Rome, Late Antiquity, Islam, India].

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who have successfully completed this course will be able to demonstrate:
1. the ability through comparison and contrast to analyze and differentiate between various approaches to building.
2. a rudimentary skill in diagramming diverse formal and spatial characteristics of architecture.
3. an ability to evaluate the relationship between different intellectual perspectives and their architectural consequences .to apply their knowledge to discern the architectural characteristics of differing historical and cultural contexts.
4. a capacity to write about selected architectural phenomena in their own words.
5. a capacity to discern and analyze basic principles of architectural order..

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): A.7: History and Global Culture, A.8: Cultural Diversity and Social Equity [partial]

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. ancient Egypt: 12%
2. ancient Greece: 28%
3. ancient Rome: 20%
4. Late Antiquity: 12%
5. Islam: 16%
6. India: 12%

Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources: The instructor provides 500+ pages of his own illustrated text.

Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually*

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): David Bell

* The final iteration of this course was fall 2013 and in the curriculum revision of 2014, its content was divided between ARCH-4100 & ARCH-4110, An Architectural Genealogy 1 & 2.
ARCH-2150: The Ethos of Architecture (2 credits)

Course Description: This course examines architectural phenomena and ideas without a specific chronology using examples ranging from antiquity to the contemporary world in western and non-western civilizations.

Course Goals and Objectives:
Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. write thoughtfully and coherently on the parallel and divergent histories of architecture and the cultural norms of a variety of indigenous, vernacular, local, and regional settings in terms of their political, economic, social, ecological, and technological factors. [SPC A.7]
2. demonstrate a knowledge of architecture as a phenomenon of individual buildings, urban situations, and the larger landscape.
3. demonstrate a fundamental grasp of both the terminology and essential concepts that underlie the discipline of architecture as a form of thought.
4. demonstrate an ability to represent architectural concepts at a fundamental level.
5. demonstrate through writing and diagramming the relationship of the past to concerns of the present and future with respect to the built environment.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): A.7: Historical Traditions & Global Culture

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. What Is an Ethos?, 7.7%,
2. Frank Lloyd Wright, 7.7%,
3. What Is Order?, 7.7%,
4. Adolf Loos, 7.7%,
5. Parameters of Architectural Order, 7.7%,
6. Ludwig Mies van der Rohe, 7.7%,
7. Urbanity, 7.7%,
8. Le Corbusier, 7.7%,
9. The Metropolis, 7.7%,
10. Alvar Aalto, 7.7%,
11. Urban Territory, 7.7%,
12. Louis Kahn, 7.7%,
13. Rem Koolhaas, 7.7%

Prerequisites: None

Textbooks/Learning Resources:

Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): David Bell
ARCH-2160: Architectural Media (2 Credits)

Course Description:
This course focuses especially on the implications that various media and means of representation have on the breadth of concerns within the generation of architecture.

Course Goals and Objectives: The intent of this course is:
1. to introduce students to how various media are used in the design and production of architecture.
2. to introduce students to ways of assessing critically in both verbal and graphic means the theories and their implications of various media for both the design and representation of architecture and architectural ideas.
3. to introduce students to writing and discussing knowledgeably the history and theory of media in architecture.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
The topical outline of the course relates to the course goals and objectives listed above. The course divides its time in the following manner:
30% on course objective one
30% on course objective two
40% on course objective three

Prerequisites: ARCH-2150

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
Practice – Architecture, Technique and Representation, Stan Allen
Models – Architecture and the Miniature, Mark Morris

Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Anthony Titus
ARCH-2510 : Materials and Design (2 credits)

Course Description:  This course provides a basic understanding of material(ity), form and figuration in basic structural loading, and the synergy of the two through assemblage.

Course Goals and Objectives:
1. Introduce basic structural principles including understanding of forces, structural systems and how they distribute and resist forces, sectional properties and relationship to material properties.
2. Introduce first principles of the physical properties of materials. Learn how internal composition of materials relates to basic properties.
3. Introduce methodologies for material selection, use and deployment based on performance and fitness for use.
4. Gather actual materials in order to directly engage—compare, + contrast materials
5. Document materials in-situ in various states—i.e., natural, processed, ephemeral as we.
6. Introduce the concept of material life-cycle(s)
7. Introduce the concept of assemblage as the synergy of material fitness + structural configuration

Outcomes
1. Fundamentals of basic structural properties. Develop “know-how” and intuition developed through active testing + experimentation of various structural loading types + effect on figuration of structural systems.
2. Fundamental, ‘first principles’ approach to materials + materiality. Focus on properties, uses, and implications of common materials, + generating the "know-how" for design to emerge from a critical engagement of a material.
3. Synthesis of knowledge of materials + structural properties through engagement with performance authorship + assembly. The open questions that arise from the connection + assembly of two different elements/materials, and how this affords design potential + opportunity.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title):  B.8: Building Materials & Assemblies

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
The primary aim of the course will be to develop a “know how” of materiality (33.33% of the course time) structure (33.33% of the course time) assemblage (33.34% of the course time) through a series of “hands-on” interrogations and research presentations. These exercises will identify the tactics we as architects deploy to assess and engage the resistances intrinsic to these three primary subjects, and how they can afford an affective/effective departure for design.

Prerequisites:  none

Textbooks/Learning Resources:

Offered (semester and year):  fall annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit):  Demetrios Comodromos, Ajmal Aqtash
ARCH-2520: Digital Constructs 1 (2 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): The primary goal of the course is to give beginning architecture students the skills to generate and communicate sophisticated architectural concepts through drawing.

Course Goals and Objectives: The main course objective is to gain proficiency in two and three-dimensional digital environments. Students acquire expertise in Rhinoceros, Adobe Illustrator, Adobe Photoshop, and V-Ray. A series of weekly exercises cover a range of technical drawing techniques in a digital environment. The final project uses skills learned in the weekly exercises to produce more speculative drawings. The final deliverables for the course are complex, rigorously produced drawings that demonstrate the student’s mastery of all drawing tools and techniques introduced during the semester. These drawings must stand alone as a creatively authored work.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Week 1 – Week 3: Two-dimensional projection systems, 13.33%
Week 4 – Week 6: Three-dimensional projection systems, transformational systems, 13.33%
Week 7: Midterm review, 6.67%
Week 8 – Week 10: Three-dimensional modeling, 13.33%
Week 11 – Week 14: Visualization and graphics, 26.67%
Week 15: Final review, 6.67%

Prerequisites: None.

Textbooks/Learning Resources: Digital demonstrations are accompanied by lectures and discussions on the conceptual roles of drawing in architecture. Example files are distributed to the students digitally. Handouts outlining specific techniques and deliverables for each week supplement the course syllabus.

Offered (semester and year): fall semesters annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Adam Dayem
ARCH-2800: Architectural Design Studio 1 (5 credits)

Course Description: This course introduces students to design as a way of thinking and making through projects that stress critical and creative thinking, communication, and visualization.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. Demonstrate the ability to create and manipulate fundamental forms and spaces using a variety of materials.
2. Demonstrate a basic knowledge of how various geometric forms and spaces are joined together.
3. Use graphic information to generate form and space.
4. Represent coherently and intelligibly their ideas and the physical results of their ideas through drawing, physical model making, basic digital skills, and other non-verbal means of communication.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
The topical outline of the course relates to the course goals and objectives listed above. The course divides its time in the following manner:
20% on course objective one
20% on course objective two
30% on course objective three
30% on course objective four

Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
Practice – Architecture, Technique and Representation, Stan Allen
Models – Architecture and the Miniature, Mark Morris

Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Anthony Titus (Coordinator), Adam Dayem, Yael Erel, Serban Ionescu, Edwin Liu, Sefano Passeri
B. ARCH REQUIRED COURSES
1ST-YEAR SPRING SEMESTER
ARCH-2120: The Building and Thinking of Architecture 2* (2 credits)

Course Description: This course addresses the history and theory of architecture in both western and non-western civilizations [Romanesque, Gothic, Renaissance, and China].

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who have successfully completed this course will be able to demonstrate:
1. the ability through comparison and contrast to analyze and differentiate between various approaches to building.
2. a rudimentary skill in diagramming diverse formal and spatial characteristics of architecture.
3. an ability to evaluate the relationship between different intellectual perspectives and their architectural consequences to apply their knowledge to discern the architectural characteristics of differing historical and cultural contexts.
4. a capacity to write about selected architectural phenomena in their own words.
5. a capacity to discern and analyze basic principles of architectural order.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): A.7: History and Global Culture, A.8: Cultural Diversity and Social Equity [partial]

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Romanesque: 28%
Gothic: 29%
Renaissance: 28%
China: 15%

Prerequisites: ARCH-2110

Textbooks/Learning Resources: The instructor provides 250+ pages of his own illustrated text.

Offered (semester and year): spring semester annually*

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): David Bell

* The final iteration of this course was spring 2014 and in the curriculum revision of 2014, its content was divided between ARCH-4100 & ARCH-4110, An Architectural Genealogy 1 & 2.
ARCH-2370: Energy, Comfort, & Ecology (2 credits)

**Course Description:** This course provides pre-requisite material for ARCH 2360, including climate and microclimate analysis, heat transfer, thermal comfort, and principles of ecology.

**Course Goals and Objectives:** Students who complete this course successfully will be able to:
1. demonstrate a knowledge of fundamental principles of thermodynamics, site design, and psychrometrics by performance on examinations.
2. demonstrate the ability to apply sustainability and ecological principles to design projects.
3. demonstrate a basic capacity to use energy modeling to evaluate design alternatives.

**Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title):** B.6: Environmental Systems

**Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):**
1. Vernacular architecture (10%)
2. Fuels (10%)
3. Classical ecology (10%)
4. Architectural ecology (10%)
5. Heat transfer (10%)
6. Thermal comfort (10%)
7. Thermal envelopes (10%)
8. Climates (10%)
9. Solar geometry (10%)
10. Water and design (10%)

**Prerequisites:** none

**Textbooks/Learning Resources:** Lechner, *Heating, Cooling, Lighting*, 4th edition (2014)

**Offered (semester and year):** spring semester annually

**Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit):** Alexandra Rempel
ARCH-2530: Digital Constructs 2 (2 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): The primary goal of the course is to give beginning architecture students the skills to generate and communicate sophisticated architectural concepts through drawing.

Course Goals and Objectives: The main course objectives are to build on the two and three-dimensional digital skills introduced in Digital Constructs 1; to explore relationships between digital design and fabrication; to explore and discuss parametric and algorithmic ways of working in design; and to demonstrate the importance of procedural thinking when using digital tools to produce complexity. Skills in Rhino, Grasshopper, V-Ray, Illustrator, and Photoshop are acquired.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Week 1 – Week 3: Grasshopper basics, 20%
Week 4 – Week 5: Curvature modeling, 13.33%.
Week 6 – Week 7: Parametric systems, digital fabrication, 13.33%.
Week 8: Midterm review, 6.67%.
Week 9 – Week 12: Algorithmic systems, 13.33%
Week 13 – Week 14: Graphics and visualization, 13.33%
Week 15: Final review, 6.67%

Prerequisites: ARCH-2520

Textbooks/Learning Resources: Digital demonstrations are accompanied by lectures and discussions on the conceptual roles of drawing in architecture. Example files are distributed to the students digitally. Handouts outlining specific techniques and deliverables for each week supplement the course syllabus

Offered (semester and year): spring semesters annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Adam Dayem
ARCH-2810: Architecture Design Studio 2 (5 credits)

**Course Description:** This course approaches architectural design issues of technology, materiality, abstraction, tectonics, and theory to consider issues of site, context, situation, and simple program.

**Course Goals and Objectives:** Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:

1. Demonstrate how various geometric forms and spaces are joined together.
2. Use graphic information to generate form and space with respect to contextual and situational concerns.
3. Represent coherently and intelligibly their ideas and the physical results of their ideas through drawing, physical model-making, increased digital skills, and other non-verbal means of communication.

**Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title):** none assigned to this course.

**Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):**
The topical outline of the course relates to the course goals and objectives listed above. The course divides its time in the following manner:
30 percent of time on course objective one
30 percent of time on course objective two
40 percent of time on course objective three

**Prerequisites:** ARCH-2800

**Textbooks/Learning Resources:**
Practice – Architecture, Technique and Representation, author Stan Allen
Models – Architecture and the Miniature, author Mark Morris PhD.

**Offered (semester and year):** spring semester annually

**Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit):**
Anthony Titus, Yael Erel, Serban Ionescu, Michael Oatman, Farzam Yazdenseta
ARCH-4090: Architectural Case Studies (2 credits)

Course Description: A select number of sophisticated modern and contemporary buildings are analyzed critically to ascertain the significant relationships of the systems of order inherent to them.

Course Goals and Objectives: Upon successful completion of this course the student will have improved his/her critical thinking and representation skills and demonstrate:
1. an ability to write and speak effectively and use representational media appropriate for both within the profession and with the general public.
2. an ability to gather, assess, record, and comparatively evaluate relevant information and performance in order to support conclusions related to a specific project or assignment.
3. an ability to apply the fundamentals of both natural and formal ordering systems and the capacity of each to inform two- and three-dimensional design.
4. an ability to observe and develop a preliminary analysis of an architectural artifact, synthesizing the observations of others, and constructing critical conclusions. He/she will understand how to investigate buildings in their larger physical, social, and professional contexts and be able to articulate the cultural and architectural knowledge embedded within them.
5. an ability to clearly, compellingly, and succinctly document and describe the visible and invisible aspect of an architectural case, graphically, in writing form and oral presentation – with respect to the affect its physical, spatial, and material form has on the experience of its users, the profession and society, as well as their influence(s) on it.
6. an ability to demonstrate a working knowledge of the use of citations and attributions in scholarly writing and presentations

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Research & Documentation (25%)
Deconstruction & Analysis (35%)
Complementary Research & Presentation Development (40%)

Prerequisites: ARCH-2160

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
1. Drawings, Images and Texts by the project's author(s), as published in monographs, dedicated publications and architects’ own websites. Initial list provided by faculty
2. Literature and Text about the building by others (academic journals, professional and industry publications)
3. Selected Online Sources (approved by faculty)

Offered (semester and year): spring semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Gustavo Crembil
ARCH-4120: Modernity in Culture, Civilization, and Architecture 1 (2 credits)

Course Description: This course examines the ideas, theories, and practices that contributed to the rise of modernity in the western world and eventually on a global scale.

Course Goals and Objectives: Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to
1. identify, analyze and explain the major architectural movements, theories, and projects of modern civilization as they evolved in relation to their respective cultural and historical frameworks.
2. analyze architecture and architectural theories related to the modern movement through texts and images.
3. demonstrate through writing and test responses how buildings and urban spaces are both informed by but also inform cultural, philosophical, religious, political and economic forces in western, non-western, and global civilizations.
4. communicate coherently both orally and in writing the architectural ideas of the visual and verbal vocabularies of the many manifestations of modern architecture and its historical precursors.
5. develop through research and critical thinking meaningful theses in writing and the course exams with respect to specific architecturally significant buildings and concepts identified in class and the required readings.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
The Origins of Modernity, 14.3%, Industrialization and its Discontents, 14.3%, Metropolis & Modernity, 14.3%, The Garden in the City, 14.3%, Modernism & Manifesto, 14.3%, Modernism and Mass Production, 14.3%, L’Esprit Nouveau, 14.3%

Prerequisites: ARCH-2160


Offered (semester and year): spring semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Lydia Kallipoliti (current), Brendan Moran, Ralph Ghoche
B. ARCH REQUIRED COURSES
2nd-YEAR FALL SEMESTER
ARCH-2220 Architecture Design 2* (6 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): This fall semester second-year studio focuses on site design, public, and institutional design in the form of exhibition space, artist studios, and residencies.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who complete this studio will be able to demonstrate
1. the ability to gather, assess, record, and comparatively evaluate relevant information and performance in order to support conclusions related to a specific project or assignment.
2. the ability to effectively use basic formal, organizational, and environmental principles and the capacity of each to inform two- and three-dimensional design.
3. the ability to apply the fundamentals of both natural and formal ordering systems and the capacity of each to inform two- and three-dimensional design.
4. the ability to examine and comprehend the fundamental principles present in relevant precedents and to make informed choices about the incorporation of such principles into architecture and urban design projects.
5. the ability to prepare a comprehensive program for an architectural project that includes an assessment of client and user needs; an inventory of spaces and their requirements; an analysis of site conditions (including existing buildings); and a definition of site selection and design assessment criteria.
6. The ability to respond to site characteristics, including urban context and developmental patterning, historical fabric, soil, topography, ecology, climate, and building orientation, in the development of a project design.


Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. Analysis (of assigned art and artists residency precedents) and site Research: 25%
2. Preliminary design intervention in landscape (design study: 25%)
3. New Residency and art center for OMI International Arts Center: 50%

Prerequisites: ARCH-2210 in the old curriculum

Textbooks/Learning Resources: This course relies on the distribution of assigned readings, assignment of precedent references and proximity to the proposed site of the design studio and access to the client stakeholders at the OMI International Arts Center.

Offered (semester and year): fall 2014*

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Lonn Combs, David Bell, Fleet Hower, Murat Mutlu, Kyle Stover

*This studio is being replaced by ARCH-2820 in fall 2015.
ARCH-2330: Structures 1* (3 credits)

Course Description: This course demonstrates basic principles of statics and mechanics of structural elements such as beams, columns, frames, and trusses, and fundamental selection of structural systems.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will demonstrate the ability to
1. understand the rule-of-thumb dimensions and selections of contemporary structural systems.
2. understand the basic principles of structural stability and behavior in withstanding gravity and lateral forces.
3. understand principles of statics and mechanics and basic structural analyses of beams, columns, frames, and trusses.
4. build and load test architecturally creative and structurally sound physical models to visualize structural behavior and cultivate structural intuition.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed: B.5: Structural Systems

Topical Outline:
1. Introduction to Structures and Structural Systems 30%
2. Structural Mechanics 15%
3. Analysis of Structural Elements 35%
4. Principles of Structural Design 20%

Prerequisites: ARCH 2510

Textbooks/Learning Resources: Schodek, D., and M. Bechthold, Structures, Prentice Hall. (textbook)
Gordon, J., "Structures or why things don't fall down," A Da Capo.

Offered: fall semester annually

Faculty assigned: Ivan Markov
ARCH-2350: Construction Systems (2 credits)

Course Description: Provides basic understanding of elements, assemblies, and systems in construction. Emphasizes interrelated performance and situates construction within the relationships of architecture materially and conceptually.

Course Goals and Objectives: The primary objective of this course is to situate construction assembly as an integral part of the architect's design intelligence. As such, students will be familiar with:
1. Key terminology, properties, and performance criteria of basic construction elements and systems
2. Typological inventory of methods of assembly discussed as logics of assembly
3. How key assemblies (floors, walls, roofs), can be calibrated and designed as elements of resistance to functional criteria and performance (environmental + social factors)

Outcomes: Students will then be able to critically apply this knowledge through applied design projects to:
1. Establish organizational concepts/strategies for part-whole relationships
2. Situate construction in relation to the circumstances of its application in particular case studies
3. Situate construction within the context of architectural culture in general
4. Consider how representation of construction methods as documentation affords design and technical opportunities
5. Develop a research ‘savvy’ for construction-related materials and resources

Student Performance Criterion addressed (list number and title): B.7: Building Envelope Systems, and Assemblies, B.8: Building Materials & Assemblies

Topical Outline: Topics are: Sitework + Foundations (20%), Construction Logics: Accretion + Framed (20%), Construction Logics: Formed + Tensioned (20%), Envelopes: Exterior Cladding/Interior Finishes (20%), Envelopes: Wall Openings + Glazing (20%).

Prerequisites: ARCH-2510


Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Demetrios Comodromos, Ajmal Aqtash
ARCH-2540: Digital Constructs 3 (2 credits)

Course Description: Students acquire advanced modeling techniques in Rhino and competence with polygon modeling and become familiar with geospatial mapping and site grading programs.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. demonstrate an understanding of the differences as well as advantages and disadvantages of NURBs based modeling programs and polygon-based programs
2. Demonstrate ability to efficiently create NURB models of complex surfaces with high level of precision
3. Develop a high proficiency of polygon modeling strategies and techniques, and exploit their advantages to leverage the strengths of polygon modeling
4. Produce renderings of both NURBs and polygon based projects that include effective materiality and lighting
5. Become proficient in creating digital models suitable for 3d printing and approved by instructor - models must be watertight and have no non-manifold edges
6. Demonstrate an understanding of GIS and how to use it to extract data sets for use in design projects
7. Demonstrate an understanding of site design fundamentals, with a focus on site grading

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned for this course.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Grading: Weekly assignments: 30%
Project I review: 35%
Project II review: 35%
Students will complete two sequential projects in Digital Constructs 3, one focused on building competency with complex NURBs modeling, and the second focused on polygon modeling. Time spent on these projects will constitute roughly a 50/50 split of the semester. Students will render and 3D print the outcomes of these projects, with emphasis placed on advanced rendering techniques, lighting, and material application, as well as proper preparation of digital models to be 3d printed.

Prerequisites: ARCH-2530

Textbooks/Learning Resources: No textbooks are required for this course, however students will be provided with pdf’s of relevant reading material, as well as access to Rhino, Maya, and any other software necessary to complete the course

Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Fleet Hower
ARCH-2820: Architectural Design Studio 3* (5 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): This fall semester second-year studio focuses on site design, public, and institutional design in the form of exhibition space, artist studios, and residencies.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who complete this studio will be able to demonstrate
1. the ability to gather, assess, record, and comparatively evaluate relevant information and performance in order to support conclusions related to a specific project or assignment.
2. the ability to effectively use basic formal, organizational, and environmental principles and the capacity of each to inform two- and three-dimensional design.
3. the ability to apply the fundamentals of both natural and formal ordering systems and the capacity of each to inform two- and three-dimensional design.
4. the ability to examine and comprehend the fundamental principles present in relevant precedents and to make informed choices about the incorporation of such principles into architecture and urban design projects.
5. the ability to prepare a comprehensive program for an architectural project that includes an assessment of client and user needs; an inventory of spaces and their requirements; an analysis of site conditions (including existing buildings); and a definition of site selection and design assessment criteria.
6. The ability to respond to site characteristics, including urban context and developmental patterning, historical fabric, soil, topography, ecology, climate, and building orientation, in the development of a project design.


Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. Analysis (of assigned art and artists residency precedents) and site Research: 25%
2. Preliminary design intervention in landscape (design study: 25%
3. New Residency and art center for OMI International Arts Center: 50%

Prerequisites: ARCH-2810

Textbooks/Learning Resources: This course relies on the distribution of assigned readings, assignment of precedent references and proximity to the proposed site of the design studio and access to the client stakeholders at the OMI International Arts Center.

Offered (semester and year): fall 2015 and every fall thereafter*

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): David Bell, Fleet Hower, Edwin Liu, Ted Ngai, Kyle Stover

*This studio replaces ARCH-2220.
ARCH-4100: An Architectural Genealogy 1 (2 credits)

Course Description: This course addresses the history of architecture in Western and non-Western civilizations to construct an understanding of its relationships to culture, technology, and thought.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. evaluate the differences and connections between architecture as it was conceived and produced in the past and in the modern and contemporary world.
2. demonstrate the ability through comparison and contrast to analyze and differentiate between various approaches to building throughout history.
3. evaluate the relationship between different intellectual perspectives and their architectural consequences.
4. apply their knowledge to discern the architectural characteristics of differing historical and cultural contexts.
5. analyze and write about selected architectural phenomena and basic principles of architectural order in their own words.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): A.7: History & Global Culture, A.8: Cultural Diversity & Social Equity

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
The Enlightenment, 16%, Baroque & Rococo, 16%, Renaissance & Mannerism, 16%, Gothic, 16% Romanesque, 16%, Roman & Late Roman, 20%

Prerequisites: ARCH-4090, ARCH-4130 (co-requisite)

Textbooks/Learning Resources: the instructor’s published notes

Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): David Bell
ARCH-4130: Modernity in Culture, Civilization, and Architecture 2 (2 credits)

Course Description: This course continues to examine ideas, theories, and practices begun in ARCH-4120 that produced modernity in the western world and eventually on a global scale.

Course Goals and Objectives: Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to

1. demonstrate an understanding of the parallel and divergent histories of architecture and the cultural norms of a variety of indigenous, vernacular, local, and regional settings in terms of their political, economic, social, ecological, and technological factors.
2. demonstrate an understanding of the diverse needs, values, behavioral norms, physical abilities, and social and spatial patterns that characterize different cultures and individuals and the responsibility of the architect to ensure equity of access to sites, buildings, and structures.
3. demonstrate an ability to discern the cultural characteristics of differing architectural events, as well as to analyze basic principles entailed in relating architecture to other cultural phenomena.
4. demonstrate an ability to write about selected architectural phenomena (realized buildings, unrealized projects and urban spaces/places/realms) in their own words.
5. demonstrate an ability—through comparing/contrasting—to analyze and differentiate between various approaches to buildings and urban spaces.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
A Review of the Early Modern Movement, 14.3%, Post-War Monumentality and Reform, 14.3%, Post War to Cold War, 14.3%, Utopia and Counter Utopia, 14.3%, Modern / Postmodern, 14.3%, Modernism Reconfigured, 14.3%, Towards a Dematerialized Future, 14.3%

Prerequisites: ARCH-4120


Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Lydia Kallipoliti (current), Brendan Moran, Ralph Ghoche
B. ARCH REQUIRED COURSES

2nd-YEAR SPRING SEMESTER
ARCH-2140: The Building and Thinking of Architecture 3* (2 credits)

Course Description: This course engages in a focused examination of selected architects to understand the impact of their work and ideas on the discipline.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who have successfully completed this course will be able to demonstrate:
1. Students will encounter ideas the implications of which they will only begin to appreciate fully many years after graduation.
2. skills in critiquing both theories and praxes in architecture through critical reading, writing, and discussion.
3. skills in concisely expressing their ideas in writing.
4. their abilities to think in a critically reflective fashion.
5. the ability to define constraints in the formulation of a theoretical position.
6. their abilities to consider and respond systematically to a specific issue.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. Bernini & Borromini: 12.5%
2. Thomas Jefferson’s University: 12.5%
3. Frank Lloyd Wright: 12.5%
4. Adolf Loos: 12.5%
5. Mies van der Rohe: 12.5%
6. Le Corbusier: 12.5%
7. Alvar Aaalto: 12.5%
8. Alvaro Siza: 12.5%

Prerequisites: ARCH-2120

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
1. Martin Heidegger, “Building, Dwelling, Thinking”
5. Robin Evans, “Figures, Doors, and Passages”
7. Adolf Loos, “Architecture”
8. Theodor Adorno, “Functionalism Today”
11. Michel Foucault, “Of Other Spaces: Utopias and Heterotopias”

Offered (semester and year): spring 2014*, 2015*

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Brendan Moran, Ralph Ghoche

*This course was taught for the final time in spring 2015. Its content has been distributed to various courses in the newly revised curriculum.
ARCH-2230: Architecture Design 3* (6 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): AD 3 tackles the problem of designing multi-unit collective housing for an urban site. Students work in teams of two.

Course Goals and Objectives: The projects designed in AD 3 must successfully navigate the pragmatics of organizing a complex architectural program into a coherent building that sensitively responds to and shapes its user's needs, while also maintaining high levels of formal, material, and aesthetic experimentation that push the discipline forward. Students must work productively as members of a design partnership.


Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
- Week 1 – Week 3: Documentation and Analysis of a precedent project (A.5, A.6), 20%
- Week 4 – Week 6: Schematic Design of building and site (A.4, A.5, B.2), 20%
- Week 7 – Week 8: Schematic Design of housing units (A.4, A.5), 13.33%
- Week 9: Midterm review; assess the schematic designs at the scale of the entire building and site and at the scale of the housing units. Discuss refinement and integration of the project at both scales, 6.67%
- Week 10 – Week 12: Development of large-scale section model (A.4, A.5), 20%
- Week 13 – Week 14: Synthesis of all aspects of the project (A.4, A.5, B.2), 13.33%
- Week 15: Final review, 6.67%

Prerequisites: ARCH-2220

Textbooks/Learning Resources: Readings were assigned by each individual studio instructor. Lectures given by instructors to the entire class covered the following topics: diagramming, housing typologies, site design and planning, and zoning and code for housing design.

Offered (semester and year): spring 2015

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Ted Krueger, Adam Dayem, Edwin Liu, Zbigniew Oksiuta, Elena Perez-Guembe, Fleet Hower

*This course will be replaced by ARCH-2830 in spring 2016.
ARCH-2360: Environmental & Ecological Systems (4 credits)

**Course Description:** This course explores climate-responsive design, including passive heating, cooling, ventilation, and daylighting, for thermal and visual comfort, through lectures, weekly laboratories, and a research project.

**Course Goals and Objectives:** Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. gather climate information for a particular location and use it to quantify local solar, wind, and daylighting resources, as well as evaporative cooling potential.
2. use instruments such as weather meters, solar pathfinders, non-contact thermometers, and illuminometers to investigate existing buildings and to characterize microclimate conditions.
3. calculate heat gains and losses through standard building envelope assemblies.
4. design operable shading devices that meet pre-established criteria for performance.
5. evaluate the probable effectiveness of a passive solar heating system.
6. size and locate apertures for schematic-level natural ventilation systems.
7. size and locate glazing for schematic-level daylighting systems.
8. simulate the performance of such systems, and test alternative elements of such systems, in a whole-building energy simulation program that accurately simulates passive systems.

**Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title):** B.6: Environmental Systems

**Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):**

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**Prerequisites:** ARCH-2370

**Textbooks/Learning Resources:** Lechner, *Heating, Cooling, Lighting*, 4th edition (2014)

**Offered (semester and year):** spring semester annually

**Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit):** Alexandra Rempel
ARCH-2550: Digital Constructs 2 (2 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): This course helps students develop an advanced skill set of computational techniques beyond digital modeling and representation, e.g., parametrics, BIM fundamentals, environmental issues, etc.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. demonstrate an understanding of basic computational concepts as well as their general appearance in code, and how to implement them.
2. demonstrate the ability to code a custom-built tool that can be used in a design studio setting
3. demonstrate the ability to use environmental analysis as an influential component of site and massing design.
4. demonstrate a basic understanding of integrated design.
5. understand the integration of building systems and pricing in the design stages of a project.
6. perform environmental analysis studies on current or past studio projects, and understand the environmental implications of the design.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. The course will include one significant project at the beginning of the semester, and then will investigate a series of additional methods of analysis later in the semester. 33.33%
2. The larger project will teach students a basic understanding of computational thinking, as well as the ability to write computer code to manipulate geometry. These exercises will conclude with each student writing a custom tool that can be used in their studio work. 33.33%
3. Subsequent smaller exercises will include introductions to analysis programs that investigate environment, material cost, code restrictions, and geometric design. Many of these exercises will involve the introduction of a new piece of software, which students will learn for a week, and then subsequently perform a relevant analysis. 33.33%

Prerequisites: ARCH-2540

Textbooks/Learning Resources: No textbooks are required for this course, however students will be provided with pdf’s of relevant reading material, as well as access to Rhino, and any other software necessary to complete the course

Offered (semester and year): spring semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Fleet Hower
ARCH-2830: Architectural Design Studio 4* (5 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): This course tackles the problem of designing multi-unit collective housing for an urban site. Students work in teams of two.

Course Goals and Objectives: The projects designed in AD 3 must successfully navigate the pragmatics of organizing a complex architectural program into a coherent building that sensitively responds to and shapes its user’s needs, while also maintaining high levels of formal, material, and aesthetic experimentation that push the discipline forward. Students must work productively as members of a design partnership.


Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Week 1 – Week 3: Documentation and Analysis of a precedent project (A.5, A.6), 20%
Week 4 – Week 6: Schematic Design of building and site (A.4, A.5, B.2), 20%
Week 7 – Week 8: Schematic Design of housing units (A.4, A.5), 13.33%
Week 9: Midterm review; assess the schematic designs at the scale of the entire building and site and at the scale of the housing units. Discuss refinement and integration of the project at both scales, 6.67%
Week 10 – Week 12: Development of large-scale section model (A.4, A.5), 20%
Week 13 – Week 14: Synthesis of all aspects of the project (A.4, A.5, B.2), 13.33%
Week 15: Final review, 6.67%

Prerequisites: ARCH-2820

Textbooks/Learning Resources: Readings were assigned by each individual studio instructor. Lectures given by instructors to the entire class covered the following topics: diagramming, housing typologies, site design and planning, and zoning and code for housing design.

Offered (semester and year): spring 2015 annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): David Bell, additional faculty TBA

*This course will replace ARCH-2230 in spring 2016.
ARCH-4110: An Architectural Genealogy 2* (2 credits)

Course Description: This course continues the study of historical architecture in Western and non-Western civilizations to understand its relationships to culture, technology, and thought.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. evaluate the differences and connections between architecture as it was conceived and produced in the past and in the modern and contemporary world.
2. demonstrate the ability through comparison and contrast to analyze and differentiate between various approaches to building throughout history.
3. evaluate the relationship between different intellectual perspectives and their architectural consequences.
4. apply their knowledge to discern the architectural characteristics of differing historical and cultural contexts.
5. analyze and write about selected architectural phenomena and basic principles of architectural order in their own words.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): A.7: History & Global Culture, A.8: Cultural Diversity & Social Equity

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
The Islamic World, 20%, The Indian Sub-Continent, 20%, Ancient Greece, 30%, Ancient Egypt, 15%, China, 15%

Prerequisites: ARCH-4100

Textbooks/Learning Resources: the instructor's published course notes

Offered (semester and year): spring semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): David Bell

*In spring 2016, this course replaced part of the content of ARCH-2110 & Arch-2120,
B. ARCH REQUIRED COURSES
3rd-YEAR FALL SEMESTER

PLEASE NOTE
1. ARCH-4240 is typically a fall semester [vertical-option] studio. However, if a student gets out of sequence for any reason, ARCH-4240 could be a spring semester [vertical-option] studio.
2. ARCH-4250 & -4260 are typically spring and fall [vertical-option] studios respectively but both often can occur as [vertical-option] studios in both semesters depending on when a student takes ARCH-4300 or if a student gets out of sequence for any other reason.
ARCH-4140 Modernity in Culture and Architecture* (4 credits)

Course Description: Beginning with the Enlightenment, this course critically examines the phenomenon of modernity and its impact on architectural theory and production.

Course Goals and Objectives:
1. Students will have demonstrated ability—through comparing/contrasting—to analyze and differentiate between various approaches to buildings and urban spaces.
2. Students will be able to evaluate relationships between different intellectual perspectives and their relation to architectural debates.
3. Students will have demonstrated ability to apply their knowledge to discern the cultural characteristics of differing architectural events.
4. Students will have demonstrated ability to write about selected architectural phenomena (realized buildings, unrealized projects and urban spaces/places/realms) in their own words.
5. Students will have demonstrated capacity to discern and analyze basic principles entailed in relating architecture to other cultural phenomena.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
- Origins of Modernity: 7.14%
- An Ideal Society, through Architecture: 7.14%
- Modernity as Industrialization: 7.14%
- Modernity as the Metropolitan Environment: 7.14%
- Architecture and City Design: 7.14%
- New Architecture(s) : 7.14%
- Modern Architecture & the Interwar Moment: 7.14%
- Modernity, Again: 7.14%
- Second Modernity: Fifties & Sixties: 7.14%
- Leaving Modernism Behind: 7.14%
- Architecture (again) in the Spotlight: 7.14%
- Paradox in (Contemporary) Architecture: 7.14%
- Future Modernities: 7.14%

Prerequisites: ARCH-2120, ARCH-2130

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
- Barry Bergdoll, European Architecture 1750-1890
- Alan Colquhoun, Modern Architecture
- Jane Jacobs, The Death and Life of Great American Cities

In addition to these texts, the instructor assigns a wide variety of readings throughout the semester.

Offered (semester and year): Fall semester 2014, 2015

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Lydia Kallipoliti. Brendan Moran, Ralph Ghoche

* This course was be taught in its present form for the last time in fall 2015. It is being replaced by ARCH-4120 and -4130, Modernity in Culture, Civilization, and Architecture 1 and 2.
ARCH-4240, -4250, -4260: Architecture Design 4, 5, 6 (6 credits [current])

Course Description: This upper division design studio explores topics of contemporary interest to the discipline that are defined by the faculty member teaching it.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. produce design projects that engage complex issues of interest to the contemporary practice of architecture.
2. develop and represent verbally and graphically architectural research through design.
3. present and represent verbally and graphically complex and challenging design ideas in a comprehensive and coherent argument.
4. present and represent comprehensive design work through models, drawings, prototypes, and demonstrations as appropriate to the nature of the project.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area): One of these elective studios (Architectural Design Studios 5, 6, and 7) is required in either semester of the 3rd and 4th years, and in the fall of the 5th year in the undergraduate professional curriculum. These studios are intended to allow students to develop an education consistent with personal goals. Each studio may have upper division students of any year. Students may elect to participate in a foreign and off-campus study options to fulfill this studio requirement. The topics will differ from semester to semester and from faculty member to faculty member.

Prerequisites: ARCH-2230 is/was the prerequisite for students in graduating classes 2016 – 2018, ARCH-2830 is the prerequisite for classes graduating in 2019 and afterwards. Those students will take ARCH-4770, -4780, -4790.

Textbooks/Learning Resources: This will be determined by the faculty member offering the particular studio.

Offered (semester and year): fall and spring semesters annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit):

ARCH-4240
Francis Bitonti
Xuedi Chen
Michael Oatman
Zbigniew Oksiuta
Kyle Stover (in China)

ARCH-4250
David Bell (in India)
Francis Bitonti
Xuedi Chen
D. Comodromos (at CASE)
Melanie Fessel
Fleet Hower

ARCH-4260
Mitchell Joachim
Michael Oatman
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*Beginning in the 2016-17 academic year ARCH-4240, -4250, & -4260 will be replaced by ARCH-4770, -4780, & -4790.
ARCH-4240: Architecture Design 4* (6 credits)

Course Description: The studio aims to take a close look at the relationship between the design school as an evolving program and the environment that houses it.

Course Goals and Objectives: The intention of this studio is for the student to develop an understanding of the history and theory that encompass the methods of educating architects. A significant weight will be on the critical analysis of ecological design claims in specific learning contexts. Students will create a descriptive synthesis of one or more significant experimental schools of design and
1. describe how that institute created newly formatted educational spaces, facilities, methods, and cultures that manifested radical shifts for design pedagogy.
2. discuss in detail the seminal interactions between students and teachers that lead to architectural/design revolutions.
3. focus on key typological and technological changes that allowed for a particular faculty to break away from existing normative models.
4. develop a new pedagogical model and propose how it is physically expressed.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. analysis of design school pedagogy, 30%
2. case study of experimental design schools, 30%
3. development of design proposals for a new design school, 40%

Prerequisites: ARCH-2230

Textbooks/Learning Resources:  
Education of an Architect by John Hejduk.  
Architecture School: Three Centuries of Educating Architects in North America by Joan Ockman.  
Programs and Manifestoes on 20th-Century Architecture by Ulrich Conrads.

Offered (semester and year): fall 2014

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Mitchell Joachim, Melanie Fessel

* Beginning in 2016 – 17, this course will become ARCH-4770.
ARCH-4240: Architecture Design 4* (Cinetecture) (6 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): Cinetecture explores the language of cinema enabling students to approach design via another critical practice. Special emphasis was placed on the techniques of film.

Course Goals and Objectives: This course encourages students:
1. to develop an awareness and understanding of the basic chronology of cinema historically, and how that history relates to current and evolving practices
2. to critically analyze a particular film (the virtual) and use that analysis as the basis for an architectural design process (the practical) that is iterative, speculative and buildable
3. to develop an awareness and understanding of the basic concepts of design development
4. to explore the conceptual and material premises of various 20th/21st century filmmakers as a way to gain access to the particular challenges of the creation and presentation of their work
5. to understand the implications of cinema's influence on architecture and vice/versa
6. to understand role of the audience as subject and object, material and community
7. to integrate an installation and a site via the mechanisms of display, audience and other programs

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1) Film theory – German, Soviet influences on Hitchcock, Hitchcock’s filmography (15%)
2) Hitchcock’s innovations in set building/development of integrated camera work (15%)
3) Team development (10%)
4) Architectural precedents (15%)
5) Innovations/techniques including first British sound picture, sound effects, editing (25%)
6) Social experiments/material testing (20%)

Prerequisites: ARCH-2230

Textbooks/Learning Resources: Bell, David, "The Carpenter’s Apprentice," and a variety of relevant cinema articles and essays

Offered (semester and year): fall 2014, spring 2014

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Michael Oatman

* Beginning in 2016 – 17, this course will become ARCH-4770.
ARCH-4240: Architecture Design 4* (Minimal vs Maximal) (6 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): Students will be creating island, a mobile New Atlantis, minimal independent society and will assign features and architecture necessary to make it alive

Course Goals and Objectives: This course intends:
1. to introduce students to the exploration of biological systems for architectural purpose
2. to introduce students to a set of unconventional materials in architecture
3. to introduce students to basic experiments of life science
4. to introduce students to the exploration of self-organizational processes in matter
5. to engage students in the exploration of human household as dynamic system in environment

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
- Participation in studio discussion 15%
- Presentation of concepts, drawings and models 15%
- Presentation of student’s final project in progress 25%
- Final project 35%
- Attendance/Participation 10%

Prerequisites: ARCH-2230

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
1. The Selfish Gene, Richard Dawkins, 1976
2. Climbing Mount Improbable, Chapter 7, The Robot Repeater,
3. The New Atlantis, Francis Bacon, 1624
4. Forms, Processes, Consequences, Zbigniew Oksiuta, 2004
5. Sk-Interfaces, Jens Hauser, 2008
6. Radical Evolution, Joel Garreau, 2005
7. Claudia Hildner, Small Houses, 2011
8. Christian Schittich (Ed), Small Structures, 2010
10. Metabolism, The City of the Future, Exhibition Catalogue, Mori Art Museum

Offered (semester and year): fall 2014

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Zbigniew Oksiuta

* Beginning in 2016 – 17, this course will become ARCH-4770.
ARCH-4240.50: Architecture Design 4 (ROME) (6 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): Presuming a phenomenological premise, this course explores analogies between the human body and the physical expressiveness in the art and architecture of the Roman Baroque.

Course Goals and Objectives: With the goal of reinterpreting Baroque membranes, the course seeks to cultivate through architectural design a humanism that could be complementary to a technical side of the profession with deep philosophical concepts and ethics rooted on an understanding of the origins of the European culture promoting discussion and teamwork. To cultivate a multidisciplinary thinking that combines art, architecture, science, philosophy and social research. To cultivate in the students a greater understanding of Mediterranean culture emphasizing its phenomenological approach in architecture (which is a materialization of a specific way of thinking and performing), its art, history, mythology and inventions.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Design studio unfolds in three parts that will progressively inform a final single project:
1. SKIN IN MOTION: an analysis of Baroque masterpieces where the students analyzed and focused on the representation of three aspects: light, movement, and layering. (33.33%)
2. AUGMENTED BODIES: exploration and representation of their findings through physical modeling and material experimentation (33.33%)
3. MULTIPLE BODIES & SPACE: implementation and integration of a system in a space in which this significant model has been installed; where light, movement and layered material will express perceptual and poetic conditions of the original analyzed piece. This last big model was developed teams of three or four students. Only the most promising projects were developed in this last phase. (33.34%)

Prerequisites: ARCH-2230


Offered (semester and year): fall 2014 (ROME)

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Elena Perez-Guembe
ARCH-4240.50: Architecture Design 4* (6 credits) (ROME)

Course Description: Using the city of Rome as a context, this studio explores the nature of spiritual and sacred space beyond conventional notions of religion.

Course Goals and Objectives: The intent of this studio is:
1. to introduce students to interdisciplinary thinking and working process
2. to introduce students to the creation of new independent social features
3. to introduce students to understanding of the social and political role of architecture in society
4. to introduce students to understanding of the spiritual role of architecture
5. to familiarize students with the autonomous creation of architectural tasks, and development of innovative programs.
6. to introduce students to understand the architectural messages beyond the historical form and style

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. research on the nature of sacred spaces, 20%
2. preliminary design exercises, 30%
3. final design work, 50%

Prerequisites: ARCH-2230

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
1. Mircea Eliade, *The Sacred and the Profane*
2. Ulrich Conrads, *Programs and manifestos on 20th-century architecture*
3. Lao Tsu, *Tao te Ching*
6. Ray Kurzweil, *The singularity is near*, 2005

Offered (semester and year): fall 2015 (ROME)

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Zbigniew Oksiuta

* Beginning in 2016 – 17, this course will become ARCH-4770.50
ARC-4240.80: Architecture Design 4* (6 credits) (CASE)

Course Description: This semester seeks to resolve the realities of design actualization and technological research using a single, speculative project to produce both knowledge and architecture.

Course Goals and Objectives:
Each student will develop ways to approach with equal measure issues of site, environment, context, history, concept, structure, materials, systems, and geometry in order to provoke a tangible and persuasive architecture that:
1. Advances their insights and thesis in response to the program brief
2. Furthers ecological and parametric approaches to the building and thinking of architecture and design
3. Produces architectural knowledge and expands possibility through the act of integration, and ecological thinking

Students will develop a capacity to design at various scales of material realization and assembly in support and development of conceptual intentions/ideas while integrating building, environmental, and programmatic systems and addressing regulatory and technical requirements. Students are expected to iteratively address multiple design considerations and in doing so to develop their awareness and understanding regarding how:
1. One scale informs/impacts another,
2. Criteria established by considerations of environmental building performance inform and positively affect morphology, structure, envelope and the planning and design of buildings
3. Disciplines affecting architectural design (structural, mechanical, acoustic, lighting, etc...) cannot be seen as exclusive, isolated, or compartmentalized practices, and to develop the capacity to integrate that understanding early into the design process.

Student Performance Criterion/addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline:
The 17th Century Salon as program and ground for speculation and the projection of living information and social interaction will be the focus of the studio’s attention and the testing bed of our methodology this semester. In particular, the studio will reconsider the existing space of the current faculty office and conference area at CASE, a 450 ft2 space that operates as both the front door and main gathering area for the center. The question we will ask is how the reconsideration of the surfaces that define the room and their constituent and internal modularity and makeup can participate in the making of the room as CASE’s Salon—a place of interaction, projection, and performance.
The project will move through issues of existing condition analysis (10%), programming and conceptualization (20%), material design and processing (30%), prototyping (20%), installation (15%), gathering and processing of data (5%) all in the context of reconsidering the actual architecture of the room, and its transformation into the CASE Salon.

Prerequisites: ARCH-2230

Course Texts:

Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually (CASE)

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Demetrios Comodromos, Nancy Diniz, Josh Draper, Anna Dyson

* Beginning in fall 2016, this course will become ARCH-4770.80.
Course Description: This course demonstrates basic principles and behavior of structural systems under gravity lateral and seismic loads with emphasis on steel and concrete materials.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will demonstrate the ability to:
1. understand the load path of gravity and lateral forces in the basic structural assemblies.
2. understand the concept and load transfer in advanced structural systems.
3. understand the basic principles of steel and concrete systems.
4. understand the basic principles of seismic design.
5. build and load test architecturally creative and structurally sound physical models to visualize structural behavior and cultivate structural intuition.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed: B.5: Structural Systems

Topical Outline:
1. Review of Structures 1 5%
2. Gravity and Lateral Load Transfer in basic Structural Systems 20%
3. Principles in Steel Design 15%
4. Principles in Concrete Design 15%
5. Concepts in Seismic Design 10%
6. Advanced Structural Systems 15%
7. Structural Design 20%

Prerequisites: ARCH 2510, ARCH 2350, ARCH 2330

AISC "Manual of Steel Design – ASD/LRFD" (recommended).

Offered: fall semester annually

Faculty assigned: Ivan Markov
ARCH-4820: Integrated Design Schematic* (5 credits)

Course Description: This design-based studio focuses on integrating structural, technical, detail, zoning, and code-related issues with respect to a moderate to large-scale building of civic importance.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. demonstrate competence in developing a complex architectural program.
2. demonstrate an ability to design in response to site conditions, climate, and urban context.
3. produce an integrated and effective presentation of verbal, graphic, and modeling materials.
4. produce a schematic solution to a building type integrating responses to physical, cultural, and regulatory considerations.


Topical Outline:
Integrative Evaluations and Decision Making – Integrated throughout
Integrative Design – Integrated throughout
Project Notebook, background research - integrated throughout
Programming Document - distributed – 20%
Case Studies Building types – One week – 10%
Analysis of Context – One week – 10%
Massing in response to urban, site and climatic conditions – One week – 10%
Site Design – One Week – 10%
Accessibility and Egress Standards – One week – 10%

Prerequisites: ARCH-2830

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
Architectural Graphic Standards, AIA
The Architect’s Studio Companion, Edward Allen and Joseph Iano
Time-Saver Standards for Building Types, De Chiara and Callender

Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually beginning in fall 2016

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): N/A

* This course will replace ARCH-4963 and will be taught for the first time in spring 2016
ARCH-4963: Integrated Design Schematic* (6 credits)

**Course Description:** This design-based studio focuses on integrating structural, technical, detail, zoning, and code-related issues with respect to a moderate to large-scale building of civic importance.

**Course Goals and Objectives:** Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. Demonstrate competence in developing a complex architectural program.
2. Demonstrate an ability to design in response to site conditions, climate, and urban context.
3. Produce an integrated and effective presentation of verbal, graphic and modeling materials.
4. Produce a schematic solution to a building type integrating responses to physical, cultural, and regulatory considerations.


**Topical Outline:**
- Integrative Evaluations and Decision Making – Integrated throughout
- Integrative Design – Integrated throughout
- Project Notebook, background research - integrated throughout
- Programming Document - distributed – 20%
- Case Studies Building types – One week – 10%
- Analysis of Context – One week – 10%
- Massing in response to urban, site and climatic conditions – One week – 10%
- Site Design – One Week – 10%
- Accessibility and Egress Standards – One week – 10%

**Prerequisites:** ARCH-2230

**Textbooks/Learning Resources:**
- *Architectural Graphic Standards*, AIA
- *The Architect’s Studio Companion*, Edward Allen and Joseph Iano
- *Time-Saver Standards for Building Types*, De Chiara and Callender

Building tours: Experimental Media and Performing Arts Center and Center for Biotechnology and Interdisciplinary Studies and with their selected architectural drawings

**Offered (semester and year):** fall semester annually beginning in fall 2016

**Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit):** Ted Krueger, Lonn Combs, Kyle Stover, Kouray Duman

* This course was taught in the fall & spring semesters of 2015 as part of the transition to the new curriculum. It will be replaced by ARCH-4820 in 2016.
B. ARCH REQUIRED COURSES

3rd-YEAR SPRING SEMESTER

PLEASE NOTE

1. ARCH-4240 is typically a fall semester [vertical-option] studio. However, if a student gets out of sequence for any reason, ARCH-4240 could be a spring semester [vertical-option] studio.

2. ARCH-4250 & -4260 are typically spring and fall [vertical-option] studios respectively but both often can occur as [vertical-option] studios in both semesters depending on when a student takes ARCH-4300 or if a student gets out of sequence for any other reason.
ARCH-2130: Contemporary Design Approaches (2 credits)*

Course Description: This course is a critical inquiry into the principal ideologies and premises of the most substantive architectural practices in the contemporary world.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. demonstrate an ability to discuss and critically compare and contrast the theoretical merits and their consequences of contemporary design practices.
2. identify and critique key aspects of contemporary architectural design projects and trends.
3. compare critically current design theories to previous theories and their design manifestations.
4. identify, discuss, and evaluate the thesis of a particular architectural project and/or its designer.
5. formulate in a rudimentary way and express their own perspective on the design and practice of architecture.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
What is Critical?, 16.6%, Difference: Theories and History, 16.6%, Deterritorialization: Methods and Practice, 16.6%, The Imaginary: Form Making, 16.6%, Immanence: Programming, The Sensible; Materiality, 16.6%, The Digital, 16.6%

Prerequisites: ARCH-4130

Textbooks/Learning Resources: The instructor will determine the most appropriate contemporary texts with each distinct iteration of the course.

Offered (semester and year): spring semester annually beginning in 2017; until fall 2014, it was offered each fall semester

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Brendan Moran, Ralph Ghoche

*This course was last taught in fall 2014 as a 2nd-year course. It will resume in spring 2017 with the number ARCH-4150 as a 3rd-year course.
ARCH-4240, -4250, -4260: Architecture Design 4, 5, 6* (6 credits [current])

Course Description: This upper division design studio explores topics of contemporary interest to the discipline that are defined by the faculty member teaching it.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. produce design projects that engage complex issues of interest to the contemporary practice of architecture.
2. develop and represent verbally and graphically architectural research through design.
3. present and represent verbally and graphically complex and challenging design ideas in a comprehensive and coherent argument.
4. present and represent comprehensive design work through models, drawings, prototypes, and demonstrations as appropriate to the nature of the project.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area): One of these elective studios (Architectural Design Studios 5, 6, and 7) is required in either semester of the 3rd and 4th years, and in the fall of the 5th year in the undergraduate professional curriculum. These studios are intended to allow students to develop an education consistent with personal goals. Each studio may have upper division students of any year. Students may elect to participate in a foreign and off-campus study options to fulfill this studio requirement. The topics will differ from semester to semester and from faculty member to faculty member.

Prerequisites: ARCH-2230 is/was the prerequisite for students in graduating classes 2016 – 2018, Arch-2830 is the prerequisite for classes graduating in 2019 and afterwards. Those students will take Arch-4770, -4780, -4790.

Textbooks/Learning Resources: This will be determined by the faculty member offering the particular studio.

Offered (semester and year): fall and spring semesters annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit):

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*Beginning in the 2016-17 academic year ARCH-4240, -4250, & -4260 will be replaced by ARCH-4770, -4780, & -4790.
ARCH-4250: Architecture Design 5* (Cinetecture) (6 credits)

**Course Description (limit 25 words):** Cinetecture explores the language of cinema enabling students to approach design via another critical practice. Special emphasis was placed on the techniques of film.

**Course Goals and Objectives:** This course encourages students:
1. to develop an awareness and understanding of the basic chronology of cinema historically, and how that history relates to current and evolving practices
2. to critically analyze a particular film (the virtual) and use that analysis as the basis for an architectural design process (the practical) that is iterative, speculative and buildable
3. to develop an awareness and understanding of the basic concepts of design development
4. to explore the conceptual and material premises of various 20th/21st century filmmakers as a way to gain access to the particular challenges of the creation and presentation of their work
5. to understand the implications of cinema’s influence on architecture and vice/versa
6. to understand role of the audience as subject and object, material and community
7. to integrate an installation and a site via the mechanisms of display, audience and other programs

**Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title):** none assigned to this course

**Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):**
1) Film theory – German, Soviet influences on Hitchcock, Hitchcock’s filmography (15%)
2) Hitchcock’s innovations in set building/development of integrated camera work (15%)
3) Team development (10%)
4) Architectural precedents (15%)
5) Innovations/techniques including first British sound picture, sound effects, editing (25%)
6) Social experiments/material testing (20%)

**Prerequisites:** ARCH-4240

**Textbooks/Learning Resources:** Bell, David, “The Carpenter’s Apprentice,” and a variety of relevant cinema articles and essays

**Offered (semester and year):** fall 2014, spring 2014

**Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit):** Michael Oatman

* Beginning in 2016 – 17, this course will become ARCH-4780.
ARCH-4250: Architecture Design 5* (Minimal vs Maximal) (6 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): Students will be creating island, a mobile New Atlantis, minimal independent society and will assign features and architecture necessary to make it alive

Course Goals and Objectives: This course intends:
1. to introduce students to the exploration of biological systems for architectural purpose
2. to introduce students to a set of unconventional materials in architecture
3. to introduce students to basic experiments of life science
4. to introduce students to the exploration of self-organizational processes in matter
5. to engage students in the exploration of human household as dynamic system in environment

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
- Participation in studio discussion 15%
- Presentation of concepts, drawings and models 15%
- Presentation of student’s final project in progress 25%
- Final project 35%
- Attendance/Participation 10%

Prerequisites: ARCH-4240

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
1. The Selfish Gene, Richard Dawkins, 1976
2. Climbing Mount Improbable, Chapter 7, The Robot Repeater, Francis Bacon, 1624
3. The New Atlantis, Francis Bacon, 1624
4. Forms, Processes, Consequences, Zbigniew Oksiuta, 2004
5. Sk-Interfaces, Jens Hauser, 2008
6. Radical Evolution, Joel Garreau, 2005
7. Claudia Hildner, Small Houses, 2011
8. Christian Schittich (Ed), Small Structures, 2010
10. Metabolism, The City of the Future, Exhibition Catalogue, Mori Art Museum

Offered (semester and year): spring 2014

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Zbigniew Oksiuta

* Beginning in 2016 – 17, this course will become ARCH-4780.
ARCH-4250.60: Architecture Design 5* (6 credits) (CHINA)

Course Description (limit 25 words): This was an upper level design studio and cultural immersion into the architecture and urban issues of China taught in collaboration with TCAUP, Shanghai, China.

Course Goals and Objectives: To provide students with critical insight into the ecological nature of architecture by assessing the conditions through which specific urban environments and architectural projects are manifest. To expand students technical expertise with digital technology/ and to equip students with a fluid digital work flow linked to a multiplicity of methods. To equip students with techniques of visual analysis to engage, assess, and communicate issues concerning the urban environment.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
attendance and participation, 10%
research cluster assignment, 20%
project team midterm, 25%
project team final, 45%
extracredittravel assignment, 5%

Prerequisites: ARCH-4240

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
"Architectural Mimicry in Contemporary China", Bosker, Bianca
"TheWork of Art in the Age of Mechanical Reproduction, Benjamin, Walter

Offered (semester and year): spring 2014 (CHINA)

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Kyle Stover, Wei Wei (Tongji CAUP –China), Hong Wei Lu (Tongji CAUP –China)

* This course will be replaced with ARCH-4780.60 in 2016 – 17.
ARCH-4250.70: Architecture Design 5* (6 credits) (INDIA)

Course Description: This studio focused on the design of two structures, a gatehouse and a library, associated with the Millowner’s Building in Ahmedabad India.

Course Goals and Objectives: When students complete this studio they will be able to:
1. design sensitively within a context having great spatial diversity.
2. demonstrate an advanced skill of connecting form, space, and temporality through controlled human movement.
3. demonstrate the ability to consider the elements as aesthetic factors in architectural design.
4. calibrate the poetics of architecture with site and program.
5. extract productively higher dimensional propositions from two-dimensional artifacts

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Visual & experiential analyses of Le Corbusier’s Millowner’s Building and its site: 15%
Design of a gatehouse to the Millowner’s Building from Ashram Road: 25%
Design of a research library and public spaces adjacent the Millowner’s Building and along the Sabarmati Riverfront: 60%

Prerequisites: ARCH-4240

Textbooks/Learning Resources: This studio was given with a companion course, ARCH-4976.70 that included numerous readings on the ideas and work of Le Corbusier. In addition, students had the opportunity to visit and study several other works by Le Corbusier in India.

Offered (semester and year): spring 2015 (INDIA)

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): David Bell

*This studio will be replaced with ARCH-4780.70 in 2016 - 17.
**ARCH-4250.80: Architecture Design 5* (6 credits) (CASE)**

**Course Description:** This semester seeks to resolve the realities of design actualization and technological research using a single, speculative project to produce both knowledge and architecture.

**Course Goals and Objectives:**
Each student will develop ways to approach with equal measure issues of site, environment, context, history, concept, structure, materials, systems, and geometry in order to provoke a tangible and persuasive architecture that:
1. Advances their insights and thesis in response to the program brief
2. Furthers ecological and parametric approaches to the building and thinking of architecture and design
3. Produces architectural knowledge and expands possibility through the act of integration, and ecological thinking

Students will develop a capacity to design at various scales of material realization and assembly in support and development of conceptual intentions/ideas while integrating building, environmental, and programmatic systems and addressing regulatory and technical requirements. Students are expected to iteratively address multiple design considerations and in doing so to develop their awareness and understanding regarding how:
1. One scale informs/impacts another,
2. Criteria established by considerations of environmental building performance inform and positively affect morphology, structure, envelope and the planning and design of buildings
3. Disciplines affecting architectural design (structural, mechanical, acoustic, lighting, etc...) cannot be seen as exclusive, isolated, or compartmentalized practices, and to develop the capacity to integrate that understanding early into the design process.

**Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title):** none assigned to this course

**Topical Outline:**
The 17th Century Salon as program and ground for speculation and the projection of living information and social interaction will be the focus of the studio’s attention and the testing bed of our methodology this semester. In particular, the studio will reconsider the existing space of the current faculty office and conference area at CASE, a 450 ft2 space that operates as both the front door and main gathering area for the center. The question we will ask is how the reconsideration of the surfaces that define the room and their constituent and internal modularity and makeup can participate in the making of the room as CASE’s Salon—a place of interaction, projection, and performance.

The project will move through issues of existing condition analysis (10%), programming and conceptualization (20%), material design and processing(30%), prototyping (20%), installation (15%), gathering and processing of data (5%)all in the context of reconsidering the actual architecture of the room, and its transformation into the CASE Salon.

**Prerequisites:** ARCH-4240

**Course Texts:**

**Offered (semester and year):** spring semester annually (CASE)

**Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit):** Demetrios Comodromos, Nancy Diniz, Josh Draper, Anna Dyson

* Beginning in 2016 - 17, this course will become ARCH-4780.80.
ARCH-4540: Professional Practice 1 (2 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): This course analyzes assemblies and occupancies of construction, building codes & regulations, sustainability, cost estimating, project management, legal responsibilities and professional conduct.

Course Goals and Objectives: ProPractice 1 explores how architects realize design projects—taking them from conception through development, documentation, and construction and the collateral efforts beyond pure design essential for successful projects. This requires investigation and proving understanding of/ability within legal, code/regulatory, professional, contractual, and stakeholder and marketplace environments, within which designs become buildings.


Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area)*:
1. Building Codes & Regulations & Technical Documentation – 50%
2. Sustainability Constructs in Professional Practice – 15%
3. Construction Cost Estimating – 20%
4. Professional Conduct, Legal Responsibilities and Project Management – 15%

*Items 1.-3. are intended to be comprehensively addressed, Item 4. fundamentals are intended to be introduced in ProPractice I; all correspond to the following categories: SPC B.3 - Codes and Regulations; SPC B.4 - Technical Documentation; SPC D.1 - Stakeholder Roles in Architecture; SPC D.2 - Project Management; SPC D.4 - Legal Responsibilities; SPC D.5 - Professional Conduct

Prerequisites: ARCH-4540 co-requisite for ARCH-4300*

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
Required:

Access to:
current online version of the 2010 International Building Code for New York State

Library reference:
1. The Architect's Studio Companion, by Allen and Iano
2. Architectural Building Codes, by James G. Scott
3. Construction Materials; Types, Uses and Applications, by Caleb Hornbostel

Offered (semester and year): fall and spring semesters annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Stephen F. Reilly

* ARCH-4300 and its relevant content will become ARCH-4830 beginning in fall 2016. ARCH-5380 is co-listed with ARCH-4540.
ARCH-4560: Materials and Enclosures (2 credits)

Course Description: This course aims to synthesize building enclosures with the social, historical, and technical aspects of contemporary practice via in-depth explorations of applied and conceptual logics.

Course Goals + Objectives:
In addition to fostering a deep understanding of the meaning, materials and systems that are combined in complex ways to create the basis of enclosures, this class aims to:
1. Build a foundation of scientific knowledge in the use of materials and the detailing of enclosures.
2. Utilize a foundation of knowledge to explore new systems and innovative opportunities.
3. Develop documentation and representational techniques appropriate to the communication of complex enclosure systems.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): B.7: Building Envelope Systems & Assemblies, B.8: Building Materials & Assemblies

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. The course begins with two surveys: the first situates enclosures in a Historical/Social Survey and the second in a Technical Survey of Enclosure types (20% combined),
2. The criteria for enclosure design is developed to define the material logic of wrapping enclosures (20%)
3. Layered Enclosures (20%)
4. Technical Operations + Altering (20%)
5. Design Synthesis (20%).

Prerequisites: ARCH-2510

Textbooks/Learning Resources:

Offered (semester and year): spring semesters annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Demetrios Comodromos, Ajmal Aqtash
ARCH-4740: Building Systems & Environment (4 credits)

Course Description: Design analysis and performance characteristics of building environmental systems, emphasizing heating, cooling, ventilation, and lighting systems, electrical systems, acoustics, water, waste, and drainage systems.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. develop systems that provides human comfort in buildings for specific climatic zones.
2. analyze the spatial requirements necessary for the building systems to support the various and unique programs that is encountered in modern buildings.
3. examine the requirements of a studio conceptual design project and develop a human comfort system appropriate to the program and climatic conditions while insuring that the architecture and engineering design are integrated and developed with sustainable principles.
4. Perform energy audits on buildings, calculate acoustical and lighting requirements for buildings.


Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):

Prerequisites: ARCH-2360

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
Allen, Edward, The Architect’s Studio Companion
Lechner, Norbert, Heating, Cooling, Lighting, Sustainable Design Methods for Architects

Offered (semester and year): spring semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Oliver Holmes
ARCH-4830: Integrated Design Development Studio* (5 credits)

Course Description: A collaborative integrative technology-based design studio emphasizing materialization and making architectural design projects concerning program, environment, structure, life-safety, building envelope, materials and integrated building systems.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. evaluate, select creatively, and employ materials and construction means to realize an architectural project in support of well conceived and articulated design intentions.
2. integrate program, life safety, structure, building envelope, materials, building systems and technologies into an architectural design including, but not limited to the International Building Code (IBC), (ADA), environmental awareness and response, enclosure, lighting and HVAC.
3. produce and organize an effective set of technical drawings utilizing a combination of analog and digital two and three-dimensional tools.


Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Diagramming and Conceptual Framing – 1 week (10%)
Bulk and Mass – 1 week (10%)
Principles of Life Safety, Universal Access and Code Analysis – 1 week (10%)
Programming – 1 week (10%)
Structural Systems – 1 week (10%)
Energy, Environment and Comfort – 1 week (10%)
Building Envelope – 1 week (10%)
Site Design and Development – 1 week (10%)
Materials and Systems – 1 week (10%)
Professional Practice(s) and Building Visits (NYC) – 3 days (10%)
Building Information Modeling – Integrated throughout
Technical Documentation and Outline Specification – Integrated throughout
Integrative Evaluations and Decision Making – Integrated throughout
Integrative Design – Integrated throughout

Prerequisites: ARCH-4820, ARCH-4330, ARCH-4740; ARCH-4540 is co-requisite

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
The Architect’s Studio Companion, Edward Allen and Joseph Iano
The Fundamentals of Building Construction-Materials and Methods, Edward Allen
Façade Construction Manual, Birkhauser
The International Building Code / 2010; A course reader – see full syllabus

Offered (semester and year): fall and spring semesters annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit):
S’14: Lonn Combs, Alexander Pincus; F’14: Ted Krueger, Ashmal Aqtash, Lauren Thomsen (BIM);
S’15: Mark Mistur, Erik Churchill, Lauren Thomsen (BIM); F’15: Mark Mistur, Erik Churchill, Lauren Thomsen (BIM); Michael Stein, P.E., and Will Laufs, P.E. (Bedford Engineering Professors)

* Comparable to and replaces ARCH-4300, Design Development [6cr], the final iteration of which is to be in spring 2016. ARCH-4830 will be co-listed with ARCH-6630.
B. ARCH REQUIRED COURSES
4th-YEAR FALL SEMESTER

PLEASE NOTE
1. ARCH-4240 is typically a fall semester [vertical-option] studio. However, if a student gets out of sequence for any reason, ARCH-4240 could be a spring semester [vertical-option] studio.
2. ARCH-4250 & -4260 are typically spring and fall [vertical-option] studios respectively but both often can occur as [vertical-option] studios in both semesters depending on when a student takes ARCH-4300 or if a student gets out of sequence for any other reason.
ARCH-4050: Cities & Their Territories (2 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): This course examines architecture as a fundamental part of the forces of urbanization and humanity’s interventions into the landscape and environment historically and contemporarily.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. identify, analyze and explain the important theories, technologies, and polemics underwriting urban growth and its relation to geographical territory change over the past two centuries.
2. present written summaries of canonical works and historically significant urban patterns and projects and their relationship to urban theory and design.
3. analyze, discuss, and draw conclusions orally and in writing regarding the historical evolution of urban morphology and landscape phenomena.
4. demonstrate a working knowledge of the forces that philosophy, literature, art, economics, climate, building technology, and history have on the aggregate development of cities and lands in western and non-western civilizations.
5. express and evaluate verbally and graphically the vocabularies of urbanism and landscape.
6. explain the ideological shifts in history that have shaped our notions of nature, the land, human settlements and actions in relation to these conditions.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Utopia, Dystopia, and Urbanization, 15%, The Garden in the City, 14%, Speed City, Nomadic City/City of Exile, 14%, Network City, 14%, Anarchic and Non-Plan Cities, 14%, Global Cities, Post-Functional Cities, and Edge Cities, 15%, Event Cities, 14%

Prerequisites: Arch-4150 {currently ARCH-2130, which will change in spring 2017]


Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Brendan Moran
ARCH-4240, -4250, -4260: Architecture Design 4, 5, 6* (6 credits [current])

Course Description: This upper division design studio explores topics of contemporary interest to the discipline that are defined by the faculty member teaching it.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. produce design projects that engage complex issues of interest to the contemporary practice of architecture.
2. develop and represent verbally and graphically architectural research through design.
3. present and represent verbally and graphically complex and challenging design ideas in a comprehensive and coherent argument.
4. present and represent comprehensive design work through models, drawings, prototypes, and demonstrations as appropriate to the nature of the project.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area): One of these elective studios (Architectural Design Studios 5, 6, and 7) is required in either semester of the 3rd and 4th years, and in the fall of the 5th year in the undergraduate professional curriculum. These studios are intended to allow students to develop an education consistent with personal goals. Each studio may have upper division students of any year. Students may elect to participate in a foreign and off-campus study options to fulfill this studio requirement. The topics will differ from semester to semester and from faculty member to faculty member.

Prerequisites: ARCH-2230 is/was the prerequisite for students in graduating classes 2016 – 2018, ARCH-2830 is the prerequisite for classes graduating in 2019 and afterwards. Those students will take ARCH-4770, -4780, -4790.

Textbooks/Learning Resources: This will be determined by the faculty member offering the particular studio.

Offered (semester and year): fall and spring semesters annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit):

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ARCH-4260: Architecture Design 6* (6 credits)

**Course Description:** The studio aims to take a close look at the relationship between the design school as an evolving program and the environment that houses it.

**Course Goals and Objectives:** The intention of this studio is for the student to develop an understanding of the history and theory that encompass the methods of educating architects. A significant weight will be on the critical analysis of ecological design claims in specific learning contexts. Students will create a descriptive synthesis of one or more significant experimental schools of design and
1. describe how that institute created newly formatted educational spaces, facilities, methods, and cultures that manifested radical shifts for design pedagogy.
2. discuss in detail the seminal interactions between students and teachers that lead to architectural/design revolutions.
3. focus on key typological and technological changes that allowed for a particular faculty to break away from existing normative models.
4. develop a new pedagogical model and propose how it is physically expressed.

**Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title):** none assigned to this course

**Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):**
1. analysis of design school pedagogy, 30%
2. case study of experimental design schools, 30%
3. development of design proposals for a new design school, 40%

**Prerequisites:** ARCH-4250

**Textbooks/Learning Resources:**
*Education of an Architect* by John Hejduk.
*Architecture School: Three Centuries of Educating Architects in North America* by Joan Ockman.
*Programs and Manifestoes on 20th-Century Architecture* by Ulrich Conrads.

**Offered (semester and year):** fall 2014

**Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit):** Mitchel Joachim, Melanie Fessel

* Beginning in 2016 – 17, this course will become ARCH-4790.
ARCH-4260: Architecture Design 6* (Cinetecture) (6 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): Cinetecture explores the language of cinema enabling students to approach design via another critical practice. Special emphasis was placed on the techniques of film.

Course Goals and Objectives: This course encourages students:
1. to develop an awareness and understanding of the basic chronology of cinema historically, and how that history relates to current and evolving practices
2. to critically analyze a particular film (the virtual) and use that analysis as the basis for an architectural design process (the practical) that is iterative, speculative and buildable
3. to develop an awareness and understanding of the basic concepts of design development
4. to explore the conceptual and material premises of various 20th/21st century filmmakers as a way to gain access to the particular challenges of the creation and presentation of their work
5. to understand the implications of cinema's influence on architecture and vice versa
6. to understand role of the audience as subject and object, material and community
7. to integrate an installation and a site via the mechanisms of display, audience and other programs

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1) Film theory – German, Soviet influences on Hitchcock, Hitchcock’s filmography (15%)
2) Hitchcock’s innovations in set building/development of integrated camera work (15%)
3) Team development (10%)
4) Architectural precedents (15%)
5) Innovations/techniques including first British sound picture, sound effects, editing (25%)
6) Social experiments/material testing (20%)

Prerequisites: ARCH-4250

Textbooks/Learning Resources: Bell, David, “The Carpenter’s Apprentice,” and a variety of relevant cinema articles and essays

Offered (semester and year): fall 2014, spring 2014

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Michael Oatman

* Beginning in 2016 – 17, this course will become ARCH-4790.
ARCH-4260: Architecture Design 6* (Minimal vs Maximal) (6 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): Students will be creating island, a mobile New Atlantis, minimal independent society and will assign features and architecture necessary to make it alive

Course Goals and Objectives: This course intends:
1. to introduce students to the exploration of biological systems for architectural purpose
2. to introduce students to a set of unconventional materials in architecture
3. to introduce students to basic experiments of life science
4. to introduce students to the exploration of self-organizational processes in matter
5. to engage students in the exploration of human household as dynamic system in environment

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Participation in studio discussion 15%
Presentation of concepts, drawings and models 15%
Presentation of student’s final project in progress 25%
Final project 35%
Attendance/Participation 10%

Prerequisites: ARCH-4250

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
1. The Selfish Gene, Richard Dawkins, 1976
2. Climbing Mount Improbable, Chapter 7, The Robot Repeater,
3. The New Atlantis, Francis Bacon, 1624
4. Forms, Processes, Consequences, Zbigniew Oksiuta, 2004
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10. Metabolism, The City of the Future, Exhibition Catalogue, Mori Art Museum

Offered (semester and year): fall 2014

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Zbigniew Oksiuta

* Beginning in 2016 – 17, this course will become ARCH-4790.
Course Description (limit 25 words): Presuming a phenomenological premise, this course explores analogies between the human body and the physical expressiveness in the art and architecture of the Roman Baroque.

Course Goals and Objectives: With the goal of reinterpreting Baroque membranes, the course seeks to cultivate through architectural design a humanism that could be complementary to a technical side of the profession with deep philosophical concepts and ethics rooted on an understanding of the origins of the European culture promoting discussion and teamwork. To cultivate a multidisciplinary thinking that combines art, architecture, science, philosophy and social research. To cultivate in the students a greater understanding of Mediterranean culture emphasizing its phenomenological approach in architecture (which is a materialization of a specific way of thinking and performing), its art, history, mythology and inventions.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Design studio unfolds in three parts that will progressively inform a final single project:
1. SKIN IN MOTION: an analysis of Baroque masterpieces where the students analyzed and focused on the representation of three aspects: light, movement, and layering. (33.33%)
2. AUGMENTED BODIES: exploration and representation of their findings through physical modeling and material experimentation (33.33%)
3. MULTIPLE BODIES & SPACE: implementation and integration of a system in a space in which this significant model has been installed; where light, movement and layered material will express perceptual and poetic conditions of the original analyzed piece. This last big model was developed teams of three or four students. Only the most promising projects were developed in this last phase. (33.44%)

Prerequisites: ARCH-4250


Offered (semester and year): fall 2014 (ROME)

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Elena Perez-Guembe
ARCH-4260.50: Architecture Design 6* (6 credits) (ROME)

Course Description: Using the city of Rome as a context, this studio explores the nature of spiritual and sacred space beyond conventional notions of religion.

Course Goals and Objectives: The intent of this studio is:
1. to introduce students to interdisciplinary thinking and working process
2. to introduce students to the creation of new independent social features
3. to introduce students to understanding of the social and political role of architecture in society
4. to introduce students to understanding of the spiritual role of architecture
5. to familiarize students with the autonomous creation of architectural tasks, and development of innovative programs.
6. to introduce students to understand the architectural messages beyond the historical form and style

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. research on the nature of sacred spaces, 20%
2. preliminary design exercises, 30%
3. final design work, 50%

Prerequisites: ARCH-4250

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
1. Mircea Eliade, The Sacred and the Profane,
2. Ulrich Conrrads, Programs and manifestos on 20th-century architecture
3. Lao Tsu, Tao te Ching
6. Ray Kurzweil, The singularity is near, 2005
7. Zbigniew Oksiuta, Forms, Processes, Consequences, 2004

Offered (semester and year): fall 2015 (ROME)

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Zbigniew Oksiuta

* Beginning in 2016 – 17, this course will become ARCH-4790.50
ARCH-4260.80: Architecture Design 6* (6 credits) (CASE)

**Course Description:** This semester seeks to resolve the realities of design actualization and technological research using a single, speculative project to produce both knowledge and architecture.

**Course Goals and Objectives:**
Each student will develop ways to approach with equal measure issues of site, environment, context, history, concept, structure, materials, systems, and geometry in order to provoke a tangible and persuasive architecture that:
1. Advances their insights and thesis in response to the program brief
2. Furthers ecological and parametric approaches to the building and thinking of architecture and design
3. Produces architectural knowledge and expands possibility through the act of integration, and ecological thinking

Students will develop a capacity to design at various scales of material realization and assembly in support and development of conceptual intentions/ideas while integrating building, environmental, and programmatic systems and addressing regulatory and technical requirements. Students are expected to iteratively address multiple design considerations and in doing so to develop their awareness and understanding regarding how:
1. One scale informs/impacts another,
2. Criteria established by considerations of environmental building performance inform and positively affect morphology, structure, envelope and the planning and design of buildings
3. Disciplines affecting architectural design (structural, mechanical, acoustic, lighting, etc...) cannot be seen as exclusive, isolated, or compartmentalized practices, and to develop the capacity to integrate that understanding early into the design process.

**Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title):** none assigned to this course

**Topical Outline:**
The 17th Century Salon as program and ground for speculation and the projection of living information and social interaction will be the focus of the studio’s attention and the testing bed of our methodology this semester. In particular, the studio will reconsider the existing space of the current faculty office and conference area at CASE, a 450 ft² space that operates as both the front door and main gathering area for the center. The question we will ask is how the reconsideration of the surfaces that define the room and their constituent and internal modularity and makeup can participate in the making of the room as CASE’s Salon—a place of interaction, projection, and performance.

The project will move through issues of existing condition analysis (10%), programming and conceptualization (20%), material design and processing(30%), prototyping (20%), installation (15%), gathering and processing of data (5%)all in the context of reconsidering the actual architecture of the room, and its transformation into the CASE Salon.

**Prerequisites:** ARCH-4250

**Course Texts:**

**Offered (semester and year):** fall semester annually (CASE)

**Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit):** Demetrios Comodromos, Nancy Diniz, Josh Draper, Anna Dyson

* Beginning in fall 2016, this course will become ARCH-4790.80.
ARCH-4300: Design Development* (6 credits)

Course Description: A collaborative integrative technology-based design studio emphasizing materialization and making architectural design projects concerning program, environment, structure, life-safety, building envelope, materials and integrated building systems.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. Evaluate, select creatively, and employ materials and construction means to realize an architectural project in support of well conceived and articulated design intentions.
2. Integrate program, life safety, structure, building envelope, materials, building systems and technologies into an architectural design including, but not limited to the International Building Code (IBC), (ADA), environmental awareness and response, enclosure, lighting and HVAC.
3. Produce and organize an effective set of technical drawings utilizing a combination of analog and digital two and three-dimensional tools.


Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Diagramming and Conceptual Framing – 1 week (10%)
Bulk and Mass – 1 week (10%)
Principles of Life Safety, Universal Access and Code Analysis – 1 week (10%)
Programming – 1 week (10%)
Structural Systems – 1 week (10%)
Energy, Environment and Comfort – 1 week (10%)
Building Envelope – 1 week (10%)
Site Design and Development – 1 week (10%)
Materials and Systems – 1 week (10%)
Professional Practice(s) and Building Visits (NYC) – 3 days (10%)
Building Information Modeling – Integrated throughout
Technical Documentation and Outline Specification – Integrated throughout
Integrative Evaluations and Decision Making – Integrated throughout
Integrative Design – Integrated throughout

Prerequisites: ARCH-4820, ARCH-4330, ARCH-4740; ARCH-4540 is co-requisite

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
The Architect’s Studio Companion, Edward Allen and Joseph Iano
The Fundamentals of Building Construction-Materials and Methods, Edward Allen
Façade Construction Manual, Birkhauser
The International Building Code / 2010; A course reader – see full syllabus

Offered (semester and year): Fall and Spring semesters annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit):
S’14: Lonn Combs, Alexander Pincus; F’14: Ted Krueger, Ashmal Aqtash, Lauren Thomsen (BIM);
S’15: Mark Mistur, Erik Churchill, Lauren Thomsen (BIM); F’15: Mark Mistur, Erik Churchill, Lauren Thomsen (BIM); Michael Stein, P.E., and Will Laufs, P.E. (Bedford Engineering Professors)

* This studio will be taught for the last time in spring 2016. Afterwards, it is replaced by ARCH-4830.
ARCH-4540: Professional Practice 1 (2 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): This course analyzes assemblies and occupancies of construction, building codes & regulations, sustainability, cost estimating, project management, legal responsibilities and professional conduct.

Course Goals and Objectives: ProPractice 1 explores how architects realize design projects—taking them from conception through development, documentation, and construction and the collateral efforts beyond pure design essential for successful projects. This requires investigation and proving understanding of/ability within legal, code/regulatory, professional, contractual, and stakeholder and marketplace environments, within which designs become buildings.


Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area)*:
1. Building Codes & Regulations & Technical Documentation – 50%
2. Sustainability Constructs in Professional Practice – 15%
3. Construction Cost Estimating – 20%
4. Professional Conduct, Legal Responsibilities and Project Management – 15%

*Items 1.-3. are intended to be comprehensively addressed, Item 4. fundamentals are intended to be introduced in ProPractice I; all correspond to the following categories: SPC B.3 - Codes and Regulations; SPC B.4 - Technical Documentation; SPC D.1 - Stakeholder Roles in Architecture; SPC D.2 - Project Management; SPC D.4 - Legal Responsibilities; SPC D.5 - Professional Conduct

Prerequisites: ARCH-4540 co-requisite for ARCH-4300*

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
Required:
Access to:
current online version of the 2010 International Building Code for New York State

Library reference:
1. The Architect's Studio Companion, by Allen and Iano
2. Architectural Building Codes, by James G. Scott
3. Construction Materials; Types, Uses and Applications, by Caleb Hornbostel

Offered (semester and year): fall and spring semesters annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Stephen F. Reilly

* ARCH-4300 and its relevant content will become ARCH-4830 beginning in fall 2016. ARCH-5380 is co-listed with ARCH-4540.
ARCH-4690: Case Studies* (4 credits)

Course Description: In this course, students develop an investigative analysis of a contemporary built work through research, visitation, interviews leading to the authoring of a publishable book.

Course Goals and Objectives:
This seminar focuses on teaching students how to investigate and research the built environment and its larger cultural, social, economic and professional dimensions. The goal of this research and the documentation of collected and original investigative work is to expand the larger understanding of architecture as a cultural practice. The course and requisite assignments is intended to contribute to students' ability to critically observe and analyze, to raise awareness regarding the state of the profession at its most progressive frontier and your relation to it, and to improve architectural knowledge and scholarship with respect to innovation and progress in contemporary practice in order to
1. to gain substantive [deep] knowledge of a significant contemporary building
2. to expand awareness of contemporary influences on architecture
3. to develop an awareness of design as a mode of inquiry and/or research
4. to improve architectural knowledge and scholarship

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): A.1: Professional Communication Skills, C.1: Research

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. Preliminary Project Selections and General Research: 10%
2. Research Topic Areas: 50%
   a. The Practice of the Architect, Engineers and Key Consultants
   b. Physical, Geographical, Environmental Contexts
   c. Program(s) and Performance(s)
   d. Technologies and Techniques
   e. Influences and Innovations
3. Final Project - Documentation, development of Case Study book: 40%

Prerequisites: ARCH-2120

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
The primary "text" for the course is the project of study. In addition, there will be a variety of readings assigned, particularly in relation to the professional and intellectual context(s). Some will be class wide, but in most instances, they will be project-based, identified by the instructor and/or team.
Soy, Susan K. The Case Study as a Research Method, University of Texas at Austin, 1997.

Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually*

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Lonn Combs

*This course will be taught for the last time in fall 2015.
B. ARCH REQUIRED COURSES

4th-YEAR SPRING SEMESTER

PLEASE NOTE

1. ARCH-4240 is typically a fall semester [vertical-option] studio. However, if a student gets out of sequence for any reason, ARCH-4240 could be a spring semester [vertical-option] studio.

2. ARCH-4250 & -4260 are typically spring and fall [vertical-option] studios respectively but both often can occur as [vertical-option] studios in both semesters depending on when a student takes ARCH-4300 or if a student gets out of sequence for any other reason.
ARCH-4040: Cities/Lands* (4 credits)

Course Description: This course examines issues and polemics related to urbanization and land settlement over the past two centuries.

Course Goals and Objectives: The purpose of this course is to understand better the role spatial and territorial organization plays in the construction of social practices, human subjectivities, and technologies of power. Upon completion, students will demonstrate the ability:
1. to gain an understanding of the urban elements AND the historical evolution of urban morphology [evaluated in seminar presentations, discussions and final exam or paper]
2. to think and look analytically into urbanism, through texts and images, both known and unknown [evaluated in discussions and final exam/paper]
3. to gain an awareness of the forces that philosophy, literature, art, economics, climate, building technology, and architectural history have on the aggregate development of cities and lands [evaluated in seminar presentations, discussions and final exam or paper]
4. to become familiar with visual and verbal vocabularies of urbanism, and coherently communicate these ideas in written and oral forms [evaluated in seminar presentations, discussions and final exam or paper]
5. to develop an awareness and understanding of the development of European, U.S. and Non-Western urbanism, and to learn the differences through comparative analysis of texts and images of urban design [evaluated in seminar presentations, discussions and final exam or paper]
6. to understand the ideological shifts in history that have shaped our notions of nature, the land, our settlements, and human actions in relation to these conditions [evaluated in seminar presentations, discussions and final exam or paper]

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed: none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):

Prerequisites: ARCH-4140

Textbooks/Learning Resources: Among the numerous texts used in the course, were the following:
1. David Harvey, "The Figure of the City," in Spaces of Hope (Berkeley: University of California Press, 2000).

Offered (semester and year): spring annually*

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Ralph Ghoche

*This course was taught for the final time in spring 2014.
Course Description: This upper division design studio explores topics of contemporary interest to the discipline that are defined by the faculty member teaching it.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. produce design projects that engage complex issues of interest to the contemporary practice of architecture.
2. develop and represent verbally and graphically architectural research through design.
3. present and represent verbally and graphically complex and challenging design ideas in a comprehensive and coherent argument.
4. present and represent comprehensive design work through models, drawings, prototypes, and demonstrations as appropriate to the nature of the project.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area): One of these elective studios (Architectural Design Studios 5, 6, and 7) is required in either semester of the 3rd and 4th years, and in the fall of the 5th year in the undergraduate professional curriculum. These studios are intended to allow students to develop an education consistent with personal goals. Each studio may have upper division students of any year. Students may elect to participate in a foreign and off-campus study options to fulfill this studio requirement. The topics will differ from semester to semester and from faculty member to faculty member.

Prerequisites: ARCH-2230 is/was the prerequisite for students in graduating classes 2016 – 2018, ARCH-2830 is the prerequisite for classes graduating in 2019 and afterwards. Those students will take ARCH-4770, -4780, -4790.

Textbooks/Learning Resources: This will be determined by the faculty member offering the particular studio.

Offered (semester and year): fall and spring semesters annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit):

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*Beginning in the 2016-17 academic year ARCH-4240, -4250, & -4260 will be replaced by ARCH-4770, -4780, & -4790.
ARCH-4260: Architecture Design 6* (Cinetecture) (6 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): Cinetecture explores the language of cinema enabling students to approach design via another critical practice. Special emphasis was placed on the techniques of film.

Course Goals and Objectives: This course encourages students:
1. to develop an awareness and understanding of the basic chronology of cinema historically, and how that history relates to current and evolving practices
2. to critically analyze a particular film (the virtual) and use that analysis as the basis for an architectural design process (the practical) that is iterative, speculative and buildable
3. to develop an awareness and understanding of the basic concepts of design development
4. to explore the conceptual and material premises of various 20th/21st century filmmakers as a way to gain access to the particular challenges of the creation and presentation of their work
5. to understand the implications of cinema’s influence on architecture and vice/versa
6. to understand role of the audience as subject and object, material and community
7. to integrate an installation and a site via the mechanisms of display, audience and other programs

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):  
1) Film theory – German, Soviet influences on Hitchcock, Hitchcock’s filmography (15%)  
2) Hitchcock’s innovations in set building/development of integrated camera work (15%)  
3) Team development (10%)  
4) Architectural precedents (15%)  
5) Innovations/techniques including first British sound picture, sound effects, editing (25%)  
6) Social experiments/material testing (20%)

Prerequisites: ARCH-4250

Textbooks/Learning Resources: Bell, David, “The Carpenter’s Apprentice,” and a variety of relevant cinema articles and essays

Offered (semester and year): fall 2014, spring 2014

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Michael Oatman

* Beginning in 2016 – 17, this course will become ARCH-4790.
ARCH-4260: Architecture Design 6* (Minimal vs Maximal) (6 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): Students will be creating island, a mobile New Atlantis, minimal independent society and will assign features and architecture necessary to make it alive

Course Goals and Objectives: This course intends:
1. to introduce students to the exploration of biological systems for architectural purpose
2. to introduce students to a set of unconventional materials in architecture
3. to introduce students to basic experiments of life science
4. to introduce students to the exploration of self-organizational processes in matter
5. to engage students in the exploration of human household as dynamic system in environment

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Participation in studio discussion 15%
Presentation of concepts, drawings and models 15%
Presentation of student’s final project in progress 25%
Final project 35%
Attendance/Participation 10%

Prerequisites: ARCH-4250

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
1. The Selfish Gene, Richard Dawkins, 1976
2. Climbing Mount Improbable, Chapter 7, The Robot Repeater,
3. The New Atlantis, Francis Bacon, 1624
4. Forms, Processes, Consequences, Zbigniew Oksiuta, 2004
5. Sk-Interfaces, Jens Hauser, 2008
6. Radical Evolution, Joel Garreau, 2005
7. Claudia Hildner, Small Houses, 2011
8. Christian Schittich (Ed), Small Structures, 2010
10. Metabolism, The City of the Future, Exhibition Catalogue, Mori Art Museum

Offered (semester and year): spring 2014

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Zbigniew Oksiuta

* Beginning in 2016 – 17, this course will become ARCH-4790.
ARCH-4260.60: Architecture Design 6* (6 credits) (CHINA)

Course Description (limit 25 words): This was an upper level design studio and cultural immersion into the architecture and urban issues of China taught in collaboration with TCAUP, Shanghai, China.

Course Goals and Objectives: To provide students with critical insight into the ecological nature of architecture by assessing the conditions through which specific urban environments and architectural projects are manifest. To expand students technical expertise with digital technology/ and to equip students with a fluid digital work flow linked to a multiplicity of methods. To equip students with techniques of visual analysis to engage, assess, and communicate issues concerning the urban environment.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
attendance and participation, 10%
research cluster assignment, 20%
project team midterm, 25%
project team final, 45%
extracredit/travel assignment, 5%

Prerequisites: ARCH-4250

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
"Architectural Mimicry in Contemporary China", Bosker, Bianca
"The Work of Art in the Age of Mechanical Reproduction, Benjamin, Walter

Offered (semester and year): spring 2014 (CHINA)

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Kyle Stover, Wei Wei (Tongji CAUP –China), Hong Wei Lu (Tongji CAUP –China)

* This course will be replaced with ARCH-4790.60 in 2016 – 17.
ARCH-4260.70: Architecture Design 6* (6 credits) (INDIA)

Course Description: This studio focused on the design of two structures, a gatehouse and a library, associated with the Millowner's Building in Ahmedabad India.

Course Goals and Objectives: When students complete this studio they will be able to:
1. design sensitively within a context having great spatial diversity.
2. demonstrate an advanced skill of connecting form, space, and temporality through controlled human movement.
3. demonstrate the ability to consider the elements as aesthetic factors in architectural design.
4. calibrate the poetics of architecture with site and program.
5. extract productively higher dimensional propositions from two-dimensional artifacts

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Visual & experiential analyses of Le Corbusier’s Millowner’s Building and its site: 15%
Design of a gatehouse to the Millowner's Building from Ashram Road: 25%
Design of a research library and public spaces adjacent the Millowner’s Building and along the Sabarmati Riverfront: 60%

Prerequisites: ARCH-4250

Textbooks/Learning Resources: This studio was given with a companion course, ARCH-4976.70 that included numerous readings on the ideas and work of Le Corbusier. In addition, students had the opportunity to visit and study several other works by Le Corbusier in India

Offered (semester and year): spring 2015 (INDIA)

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): David Bell

*This studio was part of RPI's program in India.
ARCH-4260.80: Architecture Design 6* (6 credits) (CASE)

Course Description: This semester seeks to resolve the realities of design actualization and technological research using a single, speculative project to produce both knowledge and architecture.

Course Goals and Objectives:
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Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline:
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Prerequisites: ARCH-4250

Course Texts:

Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually (CASE)

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Demetrios Comodromos, Nancy Diniz, Josh Draper, Anna Dyson

* Beginning in fall 2016, this course will become ARCH-4790.80.
ARCH-4300: Design Development* (6 credits)

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Offered (semester and year): Fall and Spring semesters annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit):
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ARCH-4540: Professional Practice 1 (2 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): This course analyzes assemblies and occupancies of construction, building codes & regulations, sustainability, cost estimating, project management, legal responsibilities and professional conduct.

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Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area)*:
1. Building Codes & Regulations & Technical Documentation – 50%
2. Sustainability Constructs in Professional Practice – 15%
3. Construction Cost Estimating – 20%
4. Professional Conduct, Legal Responsibilities and Project Management – 15%

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Prerequisites: ARCH-4540 co-requisite for ARCH-4300*

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
Required:
Access to: current online version of the 2010 International Building Code for New York State
Library reference:
1. The Architect's Studio Companion, by Allen and Iano
2. Architectural Building Codes, by James G. Scott
3. Construction Materials; Types, Uses and Applications, by Caleb Hornbostel

Offered (semester and year): fall and spring semesters annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Stephen F. Reilly

* ARCH-4300 and its relevant content will become ARCH-4830 beginning in fall 2016. ARCH-5380 is co-listed with ARCH-4540.
B. ARCH REQUIRED COURSES

5th-YEAR FALL SEMESTER
ARCH-4550: Professional Practice 2 (2 credits)

Course Description: This course includes practice topics required by: NAAB, Architectural Practice/Registration, Contracts, Collaboration, Ethics, Project Delivery, Architect’s Construction Role, Business Practices, Construction Scheduling and Costs

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who have completed this course successfully will be able to:
1. demonstrate a knowledge of the responsibilities of the architect to elicit, understand and reconcile the needs of the Client, Owner, User Groups and the public and community domains.
2. demonstrate a knowledge of the methods for competing for commissions, selecting consultants, assembling teams and recommending contractual project delivery methods.
3. demonstrate the ability to work effectively in teams through successful completion of class projects.
4. apply knowledge of the architects’ responsibility to the public and the client as determined by registration law, professional service contracts to specific situations.


Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. Overview of the profession – 5%
2. Stakeholders roles in architecture – 10%
3. Legal aspects of the profession – 10%
4. Project management – 15%
5. Ethics and Professional Conduct – 10%
6. Business Models – 5%
7. Business Practices – 10%
8. Architect's Role During Construction – 10%
9. Construction Scheduling and Financing – 5%
10. Marketing and Business Development – 10%
11. Project Delivery Methods – 5%
12. Alternative Careers in Architecture – 5%

Prerequisites: ARCH-4540

Textbooks/Learning Resources: Paul Segal, Professional Practice, A Guide to Turning Designs into Buildings

Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Richard Peckham, John Pocorobba
ARCH-4790 [future replacements for ARCH-4980]: Architectural Design Studio 7 (5 credits)*

**Course Description:** This upper division design studio explores topics of contemporary interest to the discipline that are defined by the faculty member teaching it.

**Course Goals and Objectives:** Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. produce design projects that engage complex issues of interest to the contemporary practice of architecture.
2. develop and represent verbally and graphically architectural research through design.
3. present and represent verbally and graphically complex and challenging design ideas in a comprehensive and coherent argument.
4. present and represent comprehensive design work through models, drawings, prototypes, and demonstrations as appropriate to the nature of the project.

**Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title):** none assigned to this course.

**Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):** One of these elective studios (Architectural Design Studios 5, 6, and 7) is required in either semester of the 3rd and 4th years, and in the fall of the 5th year in the undergraduate professional curriculum. These studios are intended to allow students to develop an education consistent with personal goals. Each studio may have upper division students of any year. Students may elect to participate in a foreign and off-campus study options to fulfill this studio requirement. The topics will differ from semester to semester and from faculty member to faculty member.

**Prerequisites:** The current ARCH-4260 is or the new ARCH-4780 will become the prerequisite for this course.

**Textbooks/Learning Resources:** This will be determined by the faculty member offering the particular studio.

**Offered (semester and year):** fall semesters annually beginning in fall 2016

**Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit):**

*This is a new option studio that will begin in fall 2016 and replace ARCH-4980*
ARCH-4910: Final Project Design Research Seminar* (3 credits)

Course Description: This course provides students with an understanding of the theoretical and applied research methodologies and practices used during the architectural design process.

Course Goals and Objectives:
Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. demonstrate the capacity to obtain and evaluate content from readings on a variety of topics related to architectural history, theory, and design.
2. demonstrate effective research skills, including the ability to explore sources of knowledge external to the discipline of architecture.
3. demonstrate a working knowledge of the use of citations and attributions in scholarly writing and presentations.
4. demonstrate analytic ability through writing and diagramming.
5. demonstrate an ability to communicate arguments in lucid written prose.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): C.1: Research

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Readings: 35%
Topic/Formal Research: 45%
Final Presentation and Documentation of Topic/Formal Research: 20%

Prerequisites: Completion of first four years of undergraduate study in the B.Arch program or equivalent.

Textbooks/Learning Resources: no textbooks. Readings will vary per individual seminar section / individual instructor.

Offered (semester and year): fall semesters annually beginning in 2016

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): N/A

*This course will first be offered in fall 2016 and will replace the current ARCH-4981.
ARCH-4980: B. Arch Final Project 1* (5 credits)

Course Description: This course enables fifth-year undergraduate students in the B. Arch program to develop a semi-independent design research project within two consecutive semesters.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. demonstrate the ability to independently propose, refine, and develop a comprehensive design project.
2. demonstrate the capacity to engage in both research and design work in such a way that each are beneficial to the other.
3. demonstrate knowledge and mastery of the various issues, problems, and themes that inform the design project.
4. demonstrate analytic ability through writing, diagramming, and drawing.
5. demonstrate creative ability in the design and development of the project as well as a capacity to document and present their work in a clear and effective way.
6. demonstrate an ability to communicate arguments in lucid written prose.
7. demonstrate a working knowledge of the use of citations and attributions in scholarly writing and presentations.
8. demonstrate effective research skills, including the ability to explore sources of knowledge external to the discipline of architecture.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Topic Research: 20%
Material / Formal Research: 20%
Site Analysis: 30%
Schematic Design: 30%

Prerequisites: ARCH-4260 or -4300, ARCH-4981 co-requisite

Textbooks/Learning Resources: No textbooks. Readings vary per individual studio section.

Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually*

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Gustavo Crembil, Brian DeLuna, Carla Leitao, Ted Ngai, Stefano Passeri, Chris Perry

* This course will discontinue after the fall 2015 semester and be replaced in fall 2016 by ARCH-4790.
ARCH-4981: Methods Seminar* (1 credit)

Course Description: This course provides students with an understanding of the theoretical and applied research methodologies and practices used during the architectural design process.

Course Goals and Objectives:
Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. demonstrate the capacity to obtain and evaluate content from readings on a variety of topics related to architectural history, theory, and design.
2. demonstrate effective research skills, including the ability to explore sources of knowledge external to the discipline of architecture.
3. demonstrate a working knowledge of the use of citations and attributions in scholarly writing and presentations.
4. demonstrate analytic ability through writing and diagramming.
5. demonstrate an ability to communicate arguments in lucid written prose.

Student Performance Criterion addressed (list number and title): C.1: Research

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Readings: 50%
Case Study(s) Analysis: 25%
Writing Assignment: 25%

Prerequisites: ARCH-4260, ARCH-4980 co-requisite

Textbooks/Learning Resources: No textbooks. Assigned readings vary per year but have included the following:
Case Studies 1: Architectural “Theses” 1940-1978
Harvard’s GSD; Mies at IIT; Robert Venturi & Charles Moore at Princeton; Archigram/London County Council Architects’ Department; Wachsmann’s Universal Jig; Superstudio’s Continuous Monument; Koolhaas “Exodus”; Libeskind’s Micromegas.
Case Studies 2: Design “Theses” 1978-Present
Tschumi’s The Manhattan Transcripts; Daniel Libeskind, Chamber Works; Parc de la Villette (Tschumi, Koolhaas, et al.); Diller Scofidio, Blur Building.

Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually*

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Brendan Moran, Chris Perry, Lydia Xynogala,

* This course will be discontinued after fall 2015 and will be replaced by ARCH-4910 in fall 2016. The Final Project will become only a one-semester studio experience instead of the current two-semester studio.
B. ARCH REQUIRED COURSES
5th-YEAR SPRING SEMESTER
ARCH-4590: The Economics of Architecture* (2 credits)

Course Description: This course addresses economic issues related to architectural practice within national and global economics as well as those issues specific to practice and the profession.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who have successfully completed this course will be able to:
1. demonstrate a knowledge of the responsibilities of the architect to elicit, understand and reconcile the needs of the Client, Owner, User Groups and the public and community domains
2. demonstrate a knowledge of the methods for competing for commissions, selecting consultants, assembling teams and recommending contractual project delivery methods
3. demonstrate the ability to work effectively in teams through successful completion of class projects.
4. apply knowledge of the architects’ responsibility to the public and the client as determined by registration law, professional service contracts to specific situations.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): B.10: Financial Considerations, D.3: Business Practices

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Architecture and the Building Industry in the Larger Economy, 12.5%
Domestic and global economies, 12.5%
Organization of Architectural Practice, 12.5%
Globalization of Practice, 12.5%
Cost Estimation, Fees, Services and Consultants, 12.5%
Design-Build and Alternative Practice Models, 12.5%
Case Studies Presentations and Discussions, 12.5%
The Design of Design Practices, Architect’s Role During Construction, 12.5%

Prerequisites: ARCH-4980

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
Rosalie Ruegg & Harold Marshall, Building Economics: Theory and Practice

Offered (semester and year): spring semester annually*

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): N/A

*This course will not be offered with an ARCH prefix until spring 2019. Prior to that date, it will be taught in RPI’s Lally School of Management.
ARCH-4920: B. Arch Final Project* (5 credits)

Course Description: This course enables fifth-year undergraduate students in the Bachelor of Architecture (BArch) program to develop a semi-independent design research project over the course of two consecutive semesters.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. demonstrate the ability to independently propose, refine, and develop a comprehensive design project.
2. demonstrate the capacity to engage in both research and design work in such a way that each are beneficial to the other.
3. demonstrate knowledge and mastery of the various issues, problems, and themes that inform the design project.
4. demonstrate analytic ability through writing, diagramming, and drawing.
5. demonstrate creative ability in the design and development of the project as well as a capacity to document and present their work in a clear and effective way.
6. demonstrate an ability to communicate arguments in lucid written prose.
7. demonstrate a working knowledge of the use of citations and attributions in scholarly writing and presentations.
8. demonstrate effective research skills, including the ability to explore sources of knowledge external to the discipline of architecture.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): A.1: Professional Communication Skills, A.2: Design Thinking Skills, A.3: Investigative Skills

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Schematic Design Development: 40%
Representation (physical models and prototypes): 25%
Representation (drawings, diagrams, and renderings): 25%
Book formatting and printing: 10%

Prerequisites: ARCH-4790 & ARCH-4910

Textbooks/Learning Resources: No textbooks. Readings vary per individual studio section.

Offered (semester and year): spring semester annually*

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Gustavo Crembil, Brian DeLuna, Carla Leitao, Ted Ngai, Stefano Passeri, Chris Perry

* In spring 2017, this course will replace the current ARCH-4990, which is now the 2nd semester of a 2-semester sequence, ARCH-4920 will become a single semester final project studio.
ARCH-4990: B. Arch Final Project 2* (6 credits)

Course Description: This course enables fifth-year undergraduate students in the Bachelor of Architecture (BArch) program to develop a semi-independent design research project over the course of two consecutive semesters.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. demonstrate the ability to independently propose, refine, and develop a comprehensive design project.
2. demonstrate the capacity to engage in both research and design work in such a way that each are beneficial to the other.
3. demonstrate knowledge and mastery of the various issues, problems, and themes that inform the design project.
4. demonstrate analytic ability through writing, diagramming, and drawing.
5. demonstrate creative ability in the design and development of the project as well as a capacity to document and present their work in a clear and effective way.
6. demonstrate an ability to communicate arguments in lucid written prose.
7. demonstrate a working knowledge of the use of citations and attributions in scholarly writing and presentations.
8. demonstrate effective research skills, including the ability to explore sources of knowledge external to the discipline of architecture.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): A.1: Professional Communication Skills, A.2: Design Thinking Skills, A.3: Investigative Skills

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Schematic Design Development: 40%
Representation (physical models and prototypes): 25%
Representation (drawings, diagrams, and renderings): 25%
Book formatting and printing: 10%

Prerequisites: ARCH-4980

Textbooks/Learning Resources: No textbooks. Readings vary per individual studio section.

Offered (semester and year): spring semester annually*

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Gustavo Crembil, Brian DeLuna, Carla Leitao, Ted Ngai, Stefano Passeri, Chris Perry

*This course will be discontinued after spring 2016 and will be replaced by ARCH-4920, which is a single semester of Final Project instead of the 2-semester system that is currently in place.
PROFESSIONAL ELECTIVES
ARCH-4010: Seminar in Sensory Culture (2 credits)

Course Description: The study of human perception for designers using multi-disciplinary source material in diverse formats challenging conventional understandings of perception from the first person perspective.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. critically evaluate perspectives in a variety of disciplines and make connections between them as evidenced in the written commentaries in response to readings, presentations, installations, and performances.
2. demonstrate the ability to synthesize interdisciplinary understandings in their discussions of the readings each week.
3. demonstrate factual knowledge of the course content in their in-class presentations.
4. demonstrate the ability to use their understanding of the course materials in design practice by designing presentation to the seminar.

Student Performance Criterion addressed: none assigned to this course

Topical Outline:
Language and Embodiment - Two weeks 16%, Perception and Cognition - Two weeks 16%, Body Image/Schemata – Two Weeks 16%, Blindness, Deafness, Loss of Limbs – Three Weeks 24%
Synaesthesia – One week 8%, Color Perception– One week 8%, Flavors and Culture– One week 8%

Prerequisites: None

Textbooks/Learning Resources: The bibliography for the seminar includes over 60 items. Some written, some in video, sound recordings, performances at the EMPAC, field trips, even food tasting. Not all students read all texts, but present their texts to the others. Bibliography includes:
Beaurieux, Dr (1905) `Execution de Languille: observation prise immédiatement après decapitation’,
Change Blindness Demonstration. D J Simmons videos available at:
http://viscog.beckman.uiuc.edu/djs_lab/demos.html
Connor, S. (1999). Michael Serres’ Five Senses. Available at:
http://www.bbk.ac.uk/english/skc/5senses.htm

Offered (semester and year): fall semesters annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Ted Krueger
ARCH-4020: Bedford Seminar: Advanced Building Structures* (3 credits)

Course Description: An interdisciplinary course between Architecture and Engineering students focusing on principles of structures, advanced material systems/facades and collaborative research/design problem solving.

Course Goals and Objectives:
1. Teach students to view design and construction as a common goal shared by multiple disciplines and bring them to an awareness of issues outside of their respective fields.
2. Provide information and examples about complex and advanced structural and façade systems.
3. Provide examples of instructor’s real-life work and, possibly, take class trip to his professional offices.
4. Encourage students to consider a variety of innovative/emerging systems to solve design problems.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. Lecture 01: Introduction to Advanced Structures; class meeting 1 / 14 (7% of class time)
2. Lecture 02: Loading & Force Flow; class meeting 2 / 14 (7% of class time)
3. Lecture 03: Lateral Systems; class meeting 3 / 14 (7% of class time)
4. Lecture 04: Materials, Stresses & Deflections; class meeting 4 / 14 (7% of class time)
5. Lecture 05: Beams, Slabs, Columns, Cantilevers; class meeting 5 / 14 (7% of class time)
6. Lecture 06: Membrane Structures & Formfinding; class meeting 6-7 / 14 (14% of class time)
7. Lecture 07: Shell Structures, Arches, Domes; class meeting 8-9 / 14 (14% of class time)
8. Lecture 08: Folded Structures; class meeting 10 / 14 (7% of class time)
9. Lecture 09: Pneumatic Bubbles; class meeting 11 / 14 (7% of class time)
10. Lecture 10: Cables & Cable Structures; class meeting 12-13 / 14 (14% of class time)

Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources: Required readings will be assigned in class on an as-needed basis. Below is a partial selection of readings which may be helpful at various points during the semester:
- An Engineer Imagines; Peter Rice, Artemis
- Seven Structural Engineers – The Felix Candela Lectures, Guy Nordenson
- Intelligent Glass Facades, Andrea Compagno, Birkhaeuser
- Conceptual Structural Design: Bridging the Gap between Architects and Engineers, Olga Popovic, Larsen and Andy Tyas, Thomas Telford
- Membrane Structures in Japan, Kazuo Ishii, SPS Publishing Company
- Guidelines for the design of footbridges, fib Bulletin 32; - Structure Systems; Heino Engel, Hatje Cantz
- Structural Design of Retractable Roof Structures, Kazuo Ishii, WIT Press
- Light, Wind, and Structure The Mystery of the Master Builders; Mark, MIT Press
- Perspecta 31 Reading Structures; Foug and Joyce, MIT Press
- Membrane Structures, Klaus-Michael Koch, Prestel
- Structural Concepts and Systems for Architects and Engineers, T.Y. Lin and Sidney D. Stotesbury, Van Nostrand Reinhold
- Horizontal Building Structure; Schueller, Van Nostrand Reinhold
- The Vertical Building Structure; Schueller, Van Nostrand Reinhold
- Why Buildings Stand Up and Why Buildings Fall Down; Salvadori, Norton, and Levy

Offered (semester and year): spring semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Will Laufs, Michael Stein

* This course is co-listed with CIVL-4020.
ARCH-4070: Twisted Siblings: Relationships between Contemporary Painting and Digital Architecture (2 credits)

Course Description: The course seeks to study the relationship between contemporary painting and digital architecture, with an emphasis on their recent histories and future possibilities.

Course Goals and Objectives: This course seeks:
1. to introduce students to strategies of critical inquiry, as it relates to ideas in contemporary painting & architecture.
2. to introduce students to the historical relationships between painting and architecture.
3. to Introduce students to the contemporary relationships between painting and architecture.
4. to introduce students to the fundamental lessons of structural, spatial, and conceptual dimensions of painting and architecture.
5. to Introduce students to strategies of translating painting to architecture.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
The topical outline of the course relates to the course goals and objectives listed above. The course divides its time in the following manner:
20% on course objective one  
20% on course objective two  
20% on course objective three  
20% on course objective four  
20% on course objective five  

Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources: Transparency: Phenomenal and Literal, authors Robert Slutzky and Colin Rowe.

Offered (semester and year): spring semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Anthony Titus
ARCH-4170.80: Environmental Parametrics (2 credits)

Course Description: This course describes the meaning, values and methods of deploying parametric techniques to achieve comprehensive performance design as an analytical tool and a generative device.

Course Goals and Objectives:
1. Students will become fluent in the platforms and software necessary to setup models and simulations of a range of environmental conditions and their effects on buildings and their contexts.
2. Students will be able to create parametrically-based models and simulations that establish complex feedback loops between building morphology and system optimization in relationship to environmental performance.
3. Students will gain a direct understanding of the disciplines complicit with architecture and sustainability, and their roles and potentials in creating ecologies of design for the production of architecture by engaging with those professionals through office visits and invited lectures and weekly reading-based discussions.
4. Students will gain a fluency in the discourse of built ecologies and sustainability in urban contexts by directly observing complex urban systems in New York City by direct observation during bi-weekly group walks and site visits.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline:
TECHNIQUE: PARAMETRICS (60%)
workshops to orient the participants in the software platforms, reservoirs of knowledge and resource, and working methods to create comprehensive existing/as-built models and simulations, parametrically-driven geometry and morphology feedback tools.
TACTICS: PERFORMANCE DESIGN (20%)
students will continue to consider and situate the flows of knowledge as created and manipulated in an effort to produce architecture, and how they can be further positioned with the aim of performance-design.
STRATEGIES: DESIGNED ECOLOGIES (20%)
students will consider and gain an awareness of design ecology as the framework with which we ‘see’ and as such understand performance design and parametrics as a means to reinforce a considered approach to architectural intervention that emphasizes open systems and flows of energy and information as the basic ‘material’ afforded to the architect.

Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources:

Offered (semester and year): fall and spring annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Demetrios Comodromos
LGHT-4230: Lighting Design (4 credits)

Course Description: A design studio that explores the role of light in architecture and its application by design. Students conceive, evaluate, and synthesize solutions that contribute to successful lighting design.

Course Goals and Objectives: At the completion of the course, students will:
1. “learn to see,” becoming acquainted with the process and importance of visual observation and creative visualization.
2. understand the process and importance of client interviews, understanding client needs, and be able to conduct a client interview and needs assessment, effectively.
3. establish project goals, objectives, and design intent based upon client needs.
4. understand the information needed to convey the concept of a project.
5. plan and prepare the appropriate verbal, written, and visual presentations required to convey the design concept for conceptual and comprehensive lighting design projects.
6. understand and make use of design philosophies, processes, and approaches to lighting design and develop their own personal philosophy of design.
7. create and develop their own unique lighting designs.
8. understand the role of daylight in lighting designs and be able to analyze daylight contribution to lighting in interior building spaces.
9. experience light as a visual medium.

Student Performance Criterion addressed: none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. understanding the lighting requirements of interior and exterior spaces, including appropriate siting of lighting equipment and daylight availability analysis (25%)
2. establishing appropriate lighting criteria for efficient space utilization, task performance, and energy utilization (25%)
3. developing designed illumination and lighting control systems, including fixture selection and design, and light source selection (25%)
4. conducting lighting evaluations and calculations (25%)

Prerequisites: None

Textbooks/Learning Resources:

Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Jennifer Brons
ARCH-4340: Structural Morphology (2 credits)

Course Description: This course examines behavior of advanced structural systems and complex forms. Innovative and emerging structural topologies are of special interest.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will demonstrate an ability to: 1. understand advanced structural systems in context of architectural design
2. comprehend specifics of redundant and robust systems
3. be able to evaluate complex forms and systems using FEM methods
4. be able to evaluate complex forms using physical modeling and load testing
5. become aware of architectural and structural issues in form finding explorations
6. build intuition to structural creativity
7. understand the process of scientific research and paper writing

Student Performance Criterion addressed: none assigned to this course

Topical Outline: 1. Reviews 30% 2. Final Paper 70%

Prerequisites: Permission of Instructor

Textbooks/Learning Resources: relative to topic of investigation

Offered (semester and year): spring semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Ivan Markov
ARCH-4580.80: Materials Systems & Production (3 credits)

Course Description: The course explores how materials form and transform from component to volume taking into account fundamental properties and behaviors of materials and building systems.

Course Goals and Objectives: This course develops analysis, making and testing methodologies for emerging material based investigations. It pursues an in-depth understanding between the use of materials coupled with material systems and assemblies based on environmental performance criteria. It explores the design of material modular systems for building components, their integration into building fabric and envelope systems, and selection of appropriate systems and materials. As well as these issues, the course studies construction details and manufacturing processes. Lectures and workshops will cover fundamental material properties and fabrication; types of joinery; classifying families of material structures; and other related topics. Design exercises involving research a analytical and making design approaches will take place in a lab/workshop format, with students working in teams.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
PHASE 1. WEAR 30%
PHASE 2. EXTEND 35%
PHASE 3. INTEGRATE AND TEST 35%

Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources: (selection from Spring2015 syllabus)
R. Feynman, Six Easy Pieces, Chapter 4-1 "What is Energy" (1963).

Offered (semester and year): spring semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Nancy Diniz,
Jason Vollen, Matt Gindlesparger
ARCH-4730: Sustainable Building Design Strategies (2 credits)

Course Description: Analysis of conceptual planning strategies as well as building system strategies that produce environmentally responsible buildings.

Course Goals and Objectives:
1. To develop an in depth understanding of the systems that provides human comfort in buildings for specific climatic zones with an emphasis on integrating sustainable strategies into the design.
2. To examine the requirements of a conceptual design project and develop a human comfort system appropriate to the program and climatic conditions while insuring that the architecture and engineering design are integrated and developed with sustainable principles.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. History of buildings and sustainable design, 10%
2. Site influence and envelope design, 10%
3. Glazing Systems, 10%
4. Lighting- natural, 10%
5. Lighting-artificial, 10%
6. Heating systems, 10%
7. Cooling systems, 10%
8. Energy Production, 10%
9. Passive design, 10%
10. Energy codes, 10%

Prerequisites: ARCH-4750

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
The Green Studio Handbook by Alison G. Kwok, AIA and Walter T. Grondzik, PE

Offered (semester and year): spring semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Oliver Holmes
ARCH-4750: Sustainable Building Design Metrics (2 credits)

Course Description: A review of current and anticipated metrics associated with sustainable building design will be covered as well as practices in the building industry will be discussed.

Course Goals and Objectives:
1. Impact of building design and construction on the environment and associated climate change concerns.
2. Design considerations for architecture and engineering in new construction and renovations.
3. Review opportunities for improvements in renovation projects

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
- Sustainable sites 10%
- Water efficiency 10%
- Energy efficiency 15%
- Renewable energy 10%
- Materials and resources 20%
- Indoor air quality 10%
- Integration of concepts 25%

Prerequisites: ARCH-4740

Textbooks/Learning Resources: Green Building Fundamentals, 2nd edition by Michael Montoya

Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually.

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Oliver Holmes
LGHT-4770: Lighting Technology & Applications (4 credits)

Course Description: Provides in-depth understanding of the components of lighting systems and enables students to critically explore their use and develop successful lighting solutions.

Course Goals and Objectives:
1. Learn to assess the characteristics of light sources, lighting controls, and luminaires as they apply to their integration into lighting systems;
2. Understand the operation and key performance characteristics of lighting systems under ideal and realistic conditions;
3. Explore various applications of lighting systems and their components, and identify what makes them effective; and
4. Learn to evaluate and compare alternate lighting systems based on multiple criteria (photometry, economics, and energy efficiency).

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Traditional light source technologies and luminaires 10%
Light emitting diodes, principles of operation and applications 25%
Lighting calculations 25%
Lighting controls 30%
Special topics (e.g., photovoltaic powered lighting) 5%
Lighting economics 5%

Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources: All reading materials are provided in class and are available at RPI’s and LRC’s libraries. Additional suggested reading materials are listed every semester as appropriate.

Offered (semester and year): fall 2015 (offered in the spring until 2014, switched to fall in 2014)

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Jean Paul Freyssinier, Andrew Bierman.
ARCH-4840: Architectural Acoustics 1 (4 credits)

Course Description: This course provides an overview of essentials for architectural-acoustics design of performance and public spaces such as concert halls, theaters, classrooms, auditoria, and worship spaces.

Course Goals and Objectives: After completing this course, successful students will have demonstrated through class participation, written assignments, and oral presentation:
1. a fundamental understanding of the principals of acoustic wave propagation, and the interaction of acoustic waves with surfaces and materials (reflection, transmission, modes, absorption, scattering, and diffusion), with a concentration on phenomena relevant to building acoustics;
2. a clear understanding of the scope of practical building acoustics: from room acoustics design to vibration & noise control;
3. an understanding of practical acoustical design guidelines for different types of built environments, depending on acoustical function;
4. an understanding of the basic architectural forms of performing arts spaces, and the ability to analyze and communicate the acoustical merits of each;
5. an understanding of the principles of statistical room acoustics, and familiarity with standardized metrics used to quantify room acoustics and their correlation with subjective perception; and
6. the ability to communicate, orally and in writing, an objective and subjective critical analysis of the acoustical design of a building.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned for this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
- Fundamentals of sound and human hearing: 25%
- Wave-based and statistical room acoustics fundamentals: 30%
- Sound isolation and building services noise control: 25%
- Practical design basics for rooms for speech and music: 20%

Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
Various professional references and articles provided in library reserve and online

Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Todd Brooks
LGH-4840: Human Factors in Lighting (3 credits)

Course Description: This course reviews human factors issues related to various architectural applications.

Course Goals and Objectives: A review of the influence of lighting conditions on people’s visual capabilities, perceptions, moods, and alertness, with understanding derived from the structure and operating characteristics of the human visual system. A review of the human factors issues related to applications such as office lighting, retail lighting, emergency lighting, outdoor lighting, security lighting.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
A.1 – 20%
A.3 – 50%
A.6 – 30%

Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources:

Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Mariana Figueiro
ARCH-4850: Architectural Acoustics 2 (4 credits)

Course Description: Practical application of architectural acoustics principles and analysis techniques, room acoustics, and noise control design. A team design project is a major component.

Course Goals and Objectives: After completing this course, successful students will have demonstrated through class participation, written assignments, and oral presentations:
1. a clear understanding of the traditional phases of the building design and construction processes, and the role of the professional architectural acoustics consultant in each phase;
2. the ability to convincingly communicate acoustics recommendations and conceptual designs, both as an individual and as a member of a team.
3. an advanced understanding of practical acoustical design guidelines for different types of built environments, depending on function;
4. a working knowledge of computer room acoustics modeling techniques. This includes an understanding of the basic algorithms behind modern computer modeling programs, the ability to create three-dimensional models, and analyze prediction results and auralizations using CATT-Acoustic™ software.
5. an advanced fundamental understanding of the principals of acoustic wave propagation, and the interaction of acoustic waves with surfaces and materials (reflection, transmission, modes, absorption, scattering, and diffusion), with a concentration on phenomena relevant to building acoustics.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Advanced fundamentals of noise control, sound isolation, and environmental noise: 30%
Applied computer modeling and auralization techniques: 15%
Team design project seminars: 30%
Practical design case studies: 20%

Prerequisites: ARCH-4840

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
Architectural Acoustics (2nd Edition), by Marshall Long
Various professional references and articles provided in library reserve and online

Offered (semester and year): spring semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Todd Brooks
ARCH-4860: Applied Psychoacoustics (3 credits)

Course Description: In this course, the fundamentals of psychoacoustics and auditory signal processing will be explained and discussed.

Course Goals and Objectives:
1. Students will demonstrate knowledge of the fundamental terms and principles in psychoacoustics.
2. Students will demonstrate the ability to analyze the acoustics of rooms by ear and use field-specific language to describe the findings.
3. Upon reading current scientific papers in the field, the participant will be able to write a summary and analysis using psychoacoustic terminology.
4. The students will be able to design psychoacoustic experiments and execute a statistical analysis on these data.

Student Performance Criteria addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. course introduction & signals (7.7%)
2. physiology-auditory periphery (7.7%)
3. Absolute threshold of hearing: frequency selectivity & filters (7.7%)
4. pitch, loudness, masking (7.7%)
5. binaural hearing (7.7%)
6. Perceptual evaluation of rooms (7.7%)
7. mid-term exam (7.7%)
8. auditory scene analysis (7.7%)
9. auditory virtual environments (7.7%)
10. speech perception (7.7%)
11. physiology II – cognition (7.7%)
12. statistics (7.7%)
13. case studies (7.7%)
14. final project presentations (7.7%)

Prerequisites: none


Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Jonas Braasch
ARCH-4931: The Man Next Door: A. Hitchcock + the Architecture of Fear (2 credits)

Course Description: This seminar explores Alfred Hitchcock’s art via the urban condition, modes of architecture and technical advances that make for this most “architectural” of cinematic practices.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who complete this course will demonstrate:
1. an awareness of the basic concepts of film theory, and, in particular a relationship to Hitchcock’s idea of “pure cinema”.
2. an ability to understand the implications of architecture on cinema.
3. an ability to understand the implications of cinema on architecture.
4. an ability to explore the relationship of pre-visualization techniques such as storyboarding (drawing) to the design aspects of film production/action (mise-en-scène).
5. an ability to critically consider the direct relationships between the physical, built material of filmmaking (architecture), the mechanics of seeing (optics) and the resulting ephemeral, pictorial, temporal, narrative poetics of film.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. Film theory – German, Soviet influences on Hitchcock, Schultan Process (15%)
2. Hitchcock’s innovations in set building/development of integrated camera work (20%)
3. Hitchcock’s sensory integration of color, wardrobe, soundtrack – gesamtkunstwerk (20%)
4. Innovations including first British sound picture, sound effect mastery, editing (25%)
5. Aspects of narrative, anticipating trends, industry challenges, parallels with arch auteurs (20%)

Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources: No Textbook. Numerous critical readings and viewing of 15+ films by Hitchcock, and films by David Lynch, Sophie Fiennes, Johan Grimoprez


Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Michael Oatman
ARCH-4936.80: Research Investigations (4 credits)

Course Description: An immersive exposure to PhD level research work in Built Ecologies for Architectural Undergraduates and Masters Students.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who complete this courses will demonstrate an ability to:
1. understand and practice research documentation and its relationship to Intellectual Property generation.
2. work with PhDs in their Areas of Inquiry in Built Ecologies producing actual research through the generation of Hypotheses and Experiments.
3. explore the relationship between Research and Architectural Design.

Student Performance Criterion/addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Working with a PhD in their Area of Inquiry, students will work as a research team to build and perform experiments that are an actual part of that PhD's dissertation work. (75% of course time)
Areas of Inquiry include:
Integrated Concentrating Solar Facades (ICSolar): Students will explore the problem of solar tracking in an array of concentrating photovoltaic modules as part of ICSolar research. Research questions include: how might we maximize the angular range of tracking for each module? How can we simplify the module to ensure a more robust design?

Active Modular Phytoremediation Systems (AMPS): AMPS, an advanced green wall system for healthier, cleaner air, requires careful tracking of plant growth. Students will develop and implement a timelapse video system to record visible and IR imagery of the plant wall at different time scales.

Agricultural Byproducts as Building Materials: Agricultural Byproducts, such as coconut husks, have the potential to transform HVAC systems through their ability to sorb moisture and sequester pollutants. Rigorous testing is required to characterize sorption and sequestration performance as compared to normative, existing materials and systems. Students will participate in the design and specification of a Testing Chamber to explore these questions

Deliverables: (25% of course time) 1. Research report detailing the research Hypothesis, Process and Results. The report should focus on the iterative nature of the research process, recording both success and failure and how both contribute to successive rounds of interim hypotheses and tests. 2. Students will produce experiments and/or experiment design depending on their group. The experiments should be documented as a series of diagrams and photos. Any measurements of performance should be emphasized and visualized. All documentation must be integrated in the Research Report

Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources: Laurel, Brenda, Design Research: Methods and Perspectives, MIT Press, 2003

Offered (semester and year): fall 2014 and spring 2015

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Joshua Draper
ARCH 4960: Bioclimatic Design (3 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): This course draws lessons in climate-responsive design, considering materials and energy use, from the vernacular architectures of diverse climates.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. gather climate and biome information for a particular location and use it to identify local thermal, airflow, illumination, and material resources.
2. use weather meters, solar pathfinders, non-contact thermometers, illuminometers, and other instruments to investigate existing buildings and to characterize microclimate conditions.
3. explain the significance of characteristic vernacular responses to specific climatic conditions for numerous diverse climates.
4. analyze and evaluate the bioclimatic responsiveness of existing built examples.
5. synthesize relevant bioclimatic principles and apply them to their own studio designs.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. Introduction to Bioclimatic Design 7%
2. Thermal Comfort and Thermal Delight 7%
3. Introduction to Climates and Biomes 7%
4. Vernacular Buildings in Continental Climates 15%
5. Vernacular Buildings in Humid Subtropical Climates 7%
6. Vernacular Buildings in Mediterranean Climates 7%
7. Vernacular Buildings in West-Coast Marine Climates 7%
8. Vernacular Buildings in Desert Climates 15%
9. Vernacular Buildings in Tropical Climates 15%
10. Vernacular Buildings in Polar and Highlands Climates 7%
11. Project Presentations 6%

Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources: Excerpts from:
1. Design with Climate (Olgyay)
2. Dwellings (Oliver)
3. Thermal Delight (Heschong)
4. Buildings Without Architects (May)
5. Lessons from Vernacular Architecture (Weber and Yannas)
6. Climate Responsive Design (Hyde)
7. Courtyards (Reynolds)
8. Rick Joy: Desert Works (Joy)
9. Earth Architecture (Rael)
10. Plantation Houses and Mansions of the Old South (Smith)

Offered (semester and year): fall 2014

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Alexandra Rempel
ARCH-4960: Production, Installation, Performance Planning Seminar (2 credits.)

**Course Description:** Collaborate with faculty in Architecture, Art, Architectural Acoustics, Artificial Intelligence and a Visiting Media Artist to develop a performance at EMPAC in spring of 2016.

**Course Goals and Objectives:** Students taking this course will:
1. develop skills for working within a multi-disciplinary team developing a complex project
2. demonstrate an ability to organize complicated interactions between the artist/scientist team members into a coherent proposal for a performance
3. use design skills to visualize the proposals and creativity in interpreting and contributing to the development of the project.

**Student Performance Criterion:** none assigned to this course.

**Topical Outline:** The seminar will consist of working within a multi-disciplinary team that is in the process of developing an externally-funded performance for the ‘blackbox’ at Rensselaer's Experimental Media and Performing Art Center. Selected aspects of the project the project will be prototyped in the NSF-funded Collaborative Research Augmented Immersive Virtual Environment (CRAIVE lab) an architectural-scale surround sound and projection space. This project will take on a life of its own and work within this team will require agility and the ability to take on new and challenging tasks with the creativity of a designer.

**Prerequisites:** none

**Textbooks/Learning Resources:** These will be developed as needed. Many will consist of similar works or recordings of performances that relate to the developing proposals

**Offered:** fall 2015 (a unique course, offered only once)

**Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit):** Ted Krueger
ARCH-4960: Self-Organizing Spaces (2 credits)

Course Description: The subject is a discussion about increasing materialism, which draws attention to the creativity of matter. What implications, for our profession, will these changes have?

Course Goals and Objectives: This course intends:
1. to engage students in the exploration of the principles of evolution.
2. to introduce students to the understanding of the universal laws of living systems.
3. to extend students sensibility to ecological problems in local and global scale.
4. to orient students toward an understanding of the consequences of human creativity.
5. to orient students toward an understanding of the new visions and technologies.
6. to introduce students to the exploration of biological systems for architectural purpose.
7. to provide students with ethical position to architecture.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. Research papers (written description), 10%
2. Presentation of a chosen researched subject, 15%
3. Participation in class discussions, 15%
4. Midterm presentation of the final project in progress (written description), 20%
5. Final project (written description), 30%
6. Attendance/Participation, 10%

Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
1. The Selfish Gene, Richard Dawkins
2. The Meme Machine, Susan Blackmore, 1999
3. Sk-Interfaces, Jens Hauser, 2008
5. Entropy, Jeremy Rifkin, Ted Howard 1980
6. The Age of Spiritual Machines, Ray Kurzweil 1999
7. The Singularity is Near, Ray Kurzweil, 2005
11. Radical Evolution, Joel Garreau, 2005
12. Forms, Processes, Consequences, Zbigniew Oksiuta, 2004

Offered (semester and year): spring 2015

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Zbigniew Oksiuta
ARCH-4961: Duchamp Seminar (2 credits)

Course Description: This seminar explores the lifework of Duchamp, father of the readymade and conceptual art. We will critically map his impact on 20th C. architecture.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who complete this course will be able to:
1. develop an awareness and understanding of the chronology of Duchamp’s work as it relates to the evolution of modernist thought and post-modern thought
2. develop an awareness and understanding of the basic concepts of Duchamp’s work, in particular the readymade, proto-conceptual art, post-studio practices, and the invention of “roles” or alter egos for the artist; such as gender bending, falsified biography
3. explore the relationship of early modernism and world events to the emergent “isms” of 20th century art
4. critically consider the relationships between Duchamp’s ideas and other modernist intellectual frameworks such as feminism, socialism, Einstein’s emergent theories of relativity
5. understand the implications of Duchamp’s influence on art
6. understand the implications of Duchamp’s influence on architecture

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. Duchamp and modernism chronology/lessons of modernity (25%)
2. Influence on art and architecture (past and contemporary) (25%)
3. Critical making/research presentations (25%)
4. Interpretive and critical writing (25%)

Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources: No textbook. Numerous critical readings, field trips, lectures and discussions with some of the leading experts on Duchamp and modernity. Full access to labs and studios for making objects as part of the course curriculum.


Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Michael Oatman
ARCH-4961: Research Seminar in Universal Design (2 credits)

Course Description: The seminar is a study of the interaction between physical and sensory abilities and the design of the built environment.

Course Goals and Objectives: In successfully completing this course:
1. students will be able to critically evaluate perspectives in a variety of disciplines and make connections between them as evidenced in the written commentaries in response to readings, presentations, and interviews.
2. students will demonstrate the ability to synthesize these understandings in their propositions about interfaces to environments for mixed physical abilities.
3. students will demonstrate the integration of these new perspectives in the design of a residential environment.

Student Performance Criterion addressed: none assigned to this course

Topical Outline:
1. Inverviews with experts and practitioners - Four weeks 25%
2. Directed exercises - Four weeks 25%
3. Readings and discussions - Four weeks 25%
4. Design Project - Four weeks 25%

Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
Interviews:
Aartje Holstein, Physiotherapist, UK,
Pauline Oliveros, Adaptive Use Musical Instrument (USA),
Ken Kaplan, MIT Socio-Technical Systems Group (USA)
Tiago Franklin Lucena, designer, CESUMAR-Maringa, (Brazil)

Readings:
Oregan and Noe (2000). What it is like to see: a sensorimotor theory of perceptual experience

Conference Attendance:

Offered (semester and year): fall 2012 only

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Ted Krueger
ARCH-4961: Latin American Architecture (2 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): This course examines canonical and recent projects in Latin American architecture and urbanism, and identifies, analyzes, and discusses their main tendencies relating to various traditions.

Course Goals and Objectives:
Upon successful completion of this course students will have improve their critical thinking and representation skills according to the NAAB Performance Criteria;
1. A1: Professional Communication Skills: Ability to write and speak effectively and use representational media appropriate for both within the profession and with the general public.
2. A3: Investigative Skills: Ability to gather, assess, record, and comparatively evaluate relevant information and performance in order to support conclusions related to a specific project or assignment.
3. A7: Historical Traditions and Global Culture: Understanding of the parallel and divergent histories of architecture and the cultural norms of a variety of indigenous, vernacular, local, and regional settings in terms of their political, economic, social, ecological, and technological factors.
4. A8: Cultural Diversity and Social Equity: Understanding of the diverse needs, values, behavioral norms, physical abilities, and social and spatial patterns that characterize different cultures and individuals and the responsibility of the architect to ensure equity of access to sites, buildings, and structures.

Additional Learning Outcomes
1. The student will have been introduced to cultural and theoretical issues that are currently shaping the intellectual discussion in Latin America.
   The student will have an introductory knowledge of topics, issues in discussion, and recent developments in contemporary Latin American architecture and urbanism.
2. The student will be familiarized with Latin American canonical work, as well to identify relevant and emerging practices in the region.
3. The student will be to understand the role these practices operate within the Latin American architectural tradition/practice and global contemporary architectural discourses.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. Context / Tradition, 25%
2. XX Century, 25%
3. Contemporary, 25%
4. Urban Issues (including informality), 16.67%
5. Editorial Wrap-up, 8.33%

Prerequisites: ARCH-2140 (required), ARCH-4140 (recommended)

Textbooks/Learning Resources: selected bibliography by faculty.

Offered (semester and year): spring 2016, fall 2015

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Gustavo Crembil
ARCH-4964: Sculpting the Intangible (2 credits)

Course Description: This seminar focuses on phenomenology in art and architecture with a parallel reflection on the poetics of the architectural imagination.

Course Goals and Objectives:
To obtain a greater formal precision (which necessarily must be also material) as designers, where the use of a specific tool is not the ultimate goal but a medium for the expression of a concrete idea. The search for a meta-language that can become multicultural. To understand how the integration and suggestion of natural primal forces in the art and architectural work can reconnect the man with his own essence and the man with other men (multicultural reach). The important role that light and materials play in all aspects of experience and perception and, in relation to a notion of the sublime. This seminar was adapted to the fact that would be taught in Rome and would support the Rome program studio work.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. Light, space, materiality and physical experience: weekly topic which starts with the invention of abstraction of the turn of the century with Malevich as a study case with his search of abstraction through light and movement, 25%
2. Progressively the seminar unfolds from bi-dimensional representation of light and space in painting, to Optical Art, kinetic sculptures (light, material and the physical space), light as material, 25%
3. Architectural buildings, their materiality, light and formal resolution to generate overlaid meanings rooted in our social imagination, 25%
4. The last 3 weeks were dedicated to the counterpart of light, the shadow, and the phenomenological in modern Eastern architecture, 25%

Prerequisites: none.


Offered (semester and year): spring 2015

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Elena Perez-Guembe
ARCH-4964: Topics: Line as Technique (2 credits)

Course Description: Using contemporary digital tools this course will seek to augment prior drawing techniques from the 20th century to produce a series of complicated drawings.

Course Goals and Objectives: The goal of the seminar will be to utilize new techniques that will lead to new visual and spatial understandings. These drawings will experiment with and display complex patterns, intricate colors, perspective and orthographic views to intensify the concept and geometry. This seminar will pose a progressive continuation and speculation of innovative future methods of representation as we move into a post photorealistic and atmospheric image genre. The virtual modeling process will consider issues at a number of different scales to consider the more general as well as the more specific in the macro, in the microscale with in a design problem. Students will be encouraged to explore design ideas in drawing and 3d model form using both digital and hand drawing techniques.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
(25%) Lectures: Students will receive a series of lectures on different architectural genres beginning with Russian Constructivism and concluding with recent contemporary styles.
(25%) Software tutorials: Students will receive a series of digital tutorials that students that will be implemented in a series of digital exercises in order to master certain techniques that will aid in defining new geometric objects that will be produced in this seminar.
(20%) Precedent Studies: Students will choose an Architect from a prescribed list of 20th century masters and deliver an in depth case study. Followed by an analysis and further information and presentation from the instructor. This part of the seminar will be focusing on 25 historic architects and their body of work.
(20%) Pin-up Reviews.
(10%) Group Discussions

Prerequisites: none


Offered (semester and year): fall 2015

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Brian DeLuna
ARCH-4964.50: Sculpting the Intangible (2 credits)

Course Description: This seminar focuses on phenomenology in art and architecture with a parallel reflection on the poetics of the architectural imagination.

Course Goals and Objectives:
To obtain a greater formal precision (which necessarily must be also material) as designers, where the use of a specific tool is not the ultimate goal but a medium for the expression of a concrete idea. The search for a meta-language that can become multicultural. To understand how the integration and suggestion of natural primal forces in the art and architectural work can reconnect the man with his own essence and the man with other men (multicultural reach). The important role that light and materials play in all aspects of experience and perception and, in relation to a notion of the sublime. This seminar was adapted to the fact that would be taught in Rome and would support the Rome program studio work.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. Light, space, materiality and physical experience: weekly topic which starts with the invention of abstraction of the turn of the century with Malevich as a study case with his search of abstraction through light and movement, 25%
2. Progressively the seminar unfolds from bi-dimensional representation of light and space in painting, to Optical Art, kinetic sculptures (light, material and the physical space), llight as material, 25%
3. Architectural buildings, their materiality, light and formal resolution to generate overlaid meanings rooted in our social imagination, 25%
4. The last 3 weeks were dedicated to the counterpart of light, the shadow, and the phenomenological in modern Eastern architecture, 25%

Prerequisites: none.


Offered (semester and year): fall 2014 (Rome)

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Elena Perez-Guembe
ARCH-4964.50: Form and Emptiness Matter and Information (2 credits)

Course Description: Rome exists between Sacrum and Profanum. We study tensions of these opposites as a unity. This seminar is not about Religion, it’s about Architecture.

Course Goals and Objectives: This course intends to:
1. introduce students to understanding of the spiritual role of architecture
2. introduce students to interdisciplinary thinking and working process
3. introduce students to the creation of new independent social features
4. introduce students to understanding of the social and political role of architecture in society
5. introduce students to understand the architectural messages beyond the historical form and style

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. Presentation of a chosen researched subject, 20%
2. Participation in class discussions, 20%
3. Midterm presentation of the final project in progress (written description), 20%
4. Final project (written description), 30%
5. Attendance/Participation, 10%

Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources:

Offered (semester and year): fall 2015 (Rome)

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Zbigniew Oksiuta
ARCH-4965.70: India Discovery (4 Credits) (INDIA)

Course Description: Through drawing, sketching, and written observation, students will maintain a set of diaries that examine and analyze the environments they encounter in India.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who have completed this course will be able to:
1. draw and sketch free-hand with a degree of clarity plans, sections, space, and form of works of architecture, urban conditions, and landscape phenomena.
2. write coherently and intelligently about their observations of life and ruminate on how life has created, occupied, and modified architecture, urban conditions, and landscape phenomena.
3. demonstrate a disciplined approach to the unprecedented experiences they will encounter.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. Drawing, sketching, and considering observations on life and physical form in Ahmedabad, India: 35%
2. Drawing, sketching, and considering observations on life and physical artifacts that students encountered through 5 weeks of travel in India outside of Ahmedabad: 35%
3. Writing about their experiences on the field trips: 30%

Prerequisites: ARCH-2120

Textbooks/Learning Resources: the instructor’s illustrated course notes on Indian architecture and civilization.

Offered (semester and year): spring 2015 INDIA)

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): David Bell
ARCH-4966.60: Chinese Architecture & Urbanism (4 credits) (CHINA)

Course Description (limit 25 words): This course presents a series of current architecture and urbanism topics through weekly guest lectures and field study in Shanghai, China.

Course Goals and Objectives: To use experiential learning as a method to allow students to both study and actively learn contemporary urban issues.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. attendance and participation, 75%
2. completion, 25%
3. Students complete assignments in class weekly under supervision. There are no outside of course assignments so attendance, participation, and completion is mandatory.

Prerequisites: ARCH-4250 or ARCH-4260 co-requisite

Textbooks/Learning Resources: No textbooks, all studio materials provided by university

Offered (semester and year): spring 2014

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Kyle Stover, Weekly guest professor provided by TCAUP (China)
ARCH-4967: Tool Theory (2 credits)

Course Description: This seminar focuses on the relation of humans to the products of design activity. Tools, broadly constructed, include objects, environments, and cultural products like languages and mathematics.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. critically evaluate perspectives in a variety of disciplines and make connections between them as evidenced in the written commentaries in response to readings, presentations, installations, and performances.
2. demonstrate the ability to synthesize interdisciplinary understandings in their discussions of the readings each week.
3. demonstrate factual knowledge of the course content in their in-class presentations.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline:
1. Humans and Technologies – One week - 8%
2. Problems with Dualism – One week - 8%
3. Socio-technical Systems – One week - 8%
4. Cognitive use of Space – One week - 8%
5. Tools and Neurology – One week - 8%
6. Sensory Substitution – One week - 8%
7. Focal Awareness – One week - 8%
8. Simondon – One week - 8%
9. Posthumanism – One week - 8%
10. Artefacts, the threat of Technology – One week - 8%
11. Tool-driven Research – One week - 8%
12. Artifacts and Politics – One week - 8%

Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
Winner, L. 1986 Do Artifacts have Politics

Offered: spring 2013 & 2014

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Ted Krueger
ARCH-4967: Robotic Material Assemblies (2 credits)

Course Description: An advanced design seminar that explores the use of robotic gantry for direct material assembly involving the emerging 3D / 4D printing technologies.

Course Goals and Objectives: The principal goal is to enable students to control multi-axis robotic gantry through 3D interface and to learn to control material deposition through refining motion and other parameters such as pneumatic pressure and heater temperature.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. parametric g-code generation, 20%
2. motion control, 20%
3. material deposition process, 60%

Prerequisites: ARCH-2550 or ARCH-2230

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
Neil Gershenfeld, Fab: The Coming Revolution on Your Desktop--from Personal Computers to Personal Fabrication
Chris Anderson, Makers: The New Industrial Revolution
Robin Chase, Peers Inc: How People and Platforms Are Inventing the Collaborative Economy and Reinventing Capitalism

Offered (semester and year): fall 2014

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Ted Ngai
ARCH-4968: Architecture in the Time of Synthetic Biology (2 credits)

Course Description: Grounded within contemporary discourse regarding the future of our planet, the seminar will compare the process of natural evolution with exponential expansion of human technologies.

Course Goals and Objectives: This course intends:
1. to engage students in the exploration of the principles of evolution.
2. to introduce students to the understanding of the universal laws of living systems.
3. to extend students sensibility to ecological problems in local and global scale.
4. to orient students toward an understanding of the consequences of human creativity.
5. to orient students toward an understanding of the new visions and technologies.
6. to introduce students to the exploration of biological systems for architectural purpose.
7. to provide students with ethical position to architecture.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. Research papers (written description), 10%
2. Presentation of a chosen researched subject, 15%
3. Participation in class discussions, 15%
4. Midterm presentation of the final project in progress (written description), 20%
5. Final project (written description), 30%
6. Attendance/Participation, 10%

Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
1. The Selfish Gene, Richard Dawkins
2. The Meme Machine, Susan Blackmore, 1999
3. Sk-Interfaces, Jens Hauser, 2008
5. Entropy, Jeremy Rifkin, Ted Howard 1980
6. The Age of Spiritual Machines, Ray Kurzweil 1999
7. The singularity is near, Ray Kurzweil, 2005
8. Synthetic Aesthetic, Alexandra Daisy Ginsberg, 2014
10. Joel Garreau, Radical Evolution, 2005
11. Forms, Processes, Consequences, Zbigniew Oksiuta, 2004

Offered (semester and year): fall 2014

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Zbigniew Oksiuta
ARCH-4976.70: Topics in Architecture: The Ineffable Space of Le Corbusier (2 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): Through a series of readings, writing, model-making, and sketching exercises, students explored “The Ineffable Space of Le Corbusier”. (INDIA)

Course Goals and Objectives: When students complete this course they will be able to:
1. demonstrate a more thorough knowledge of the creation of complex spatial narratives.
2. create two-dimensional abstractions that embody three-dimensional ideals.
3. write knowledgeably about the ideas and practice of one of the 20th century’s most prolific architects.
4. use physical models and analog and digital drawings to speculate experimentally about various architectural concepts.
5. speculate coherently and concretely on the role that Indian culture and civilization may have played in the realization of an important work of 20th century architecture.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Analysis of a Le Corbusier painting: 30%
In situ sketching and observational exercises at the Millowner's Building in Ahmedabad, India: 30%
Weekly discussions of a series of readings on the work and ideas of Le Corbusier: 20%
Final Essay: 20%

Prerequisites: ARCH-4140 *

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
1. David Bell: “The Carpenter's Apprentice”
2. Beatriz Colamina: “Le Corbusier and Photography”
4. Peter Eisenman: “Maison Dom-Ino and the Self-referential Sign”
12. Peter Serenyi: “Timeless but of its Time: Le Corbusier’s Architecture in India”

Offered (semester and year): spring 2015 (INDIA)

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): David Bell
ARCH-6310.8: Environmental History & Theory (3 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words):
This course is meant to support an ability for theoretical synthesis lateral to the design development of ecologically sensitive built systems.

Course Goals and Objectives:
This seminar is conceived as an opportunity for synthesis: to engage the design development of ecologically sensitive built systems in studio while gaining in understanding of the social and theoretical implications of such activity, from a variety of fields that aim to cross-pollinate some of these disparate theoretical 'branches' within design practice. The goal is to open awareness of the social, political and economic forces that are instrumental in the development of contemporary built ecologies, such that we might gain in opportunities to catalyze new and emergent paradigms in the cultures of making. This course has been conceived in tandem with design studio and all of the readings are meant to support a greater understanding of the history and implications of technological design within society. While some of the readings have been selected from prominent Architectural Theoreticians, the preponderance of selections have been deliberately chosen from fields of philosophy, social theory, and ecology and should be conceived as various lenses through which we might view our activities, as a deliberate exercise in ‘defamiliarization’ from the ways in which the artifacts of architecture and art history are conventionally viewed within an academic format.

A major paper (minimum 5000 words) will be required of graduate students that will provide the theoretical material for the Masters thesis.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area): N/A

Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
6. Martin Heidegger , “The Question Concerning Technology, and Other Essays”
7. Frederick J. Keisler, On Correalism and Biotechnique
10. Lewis Mumford, Technical Syncretism and Toward an Organic Ideology
12. Charles Taylor .“Interpretation and the Sciences of Man”

Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Anna Dyson
ARCH-6330.8: Built Ecologies 2 (3 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): Built Ecologies 2 is a course designed to engender a fundamental fusion of theoretical and technical inquiry in the design studio.

Course Goals and Objectives: This seminar is conceived as an opportunity for synthesis: to engage the development of ecologically sensitive built systems from a variety of vantage points that aim to cross-pollinate some of these disparate theoretical ‘branches’ within design practice. The goal is to not only broaden awareness of the political and economic forces at play in the development of current building systems in our culture, but to attempt to harness some of the industrial research and development forces already in place to effect a different, more coherent and consequential role for architects in their innovation. Plainly, a central goal is to generate excitement around the means by which architectural practice becomes intrinsically experimental and research oriented.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area): N/A

Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
7. Frederick J. Keisler, On Correalism and Biotchnique
10. Lewis Mumford, Technical Syncretism and Toward an Organic Ideology
12. Charles Taylor. “Interpretation and the Sciences of Man”

Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Anna Dyson
LGHT-6760: Lighting Workshop (4 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): The Lighting Workshop is a research and design studio integrating scholarship, technology, design, policy, and communication in an intensive, project specific context.

Course Goals and Objectives: At the conclusion of the course, students will be able to:
1. develop creative solutions to lighting-related problems.
2. locate and critically analyze information pertaining to particular lighting questions and issues.
3. review, analyze, synthesize, and communicate the essentials of such information to interested audiences.
4. understand and design lighting appropriate to specific locations, cultures, contexts, and objectives.
5. exhibit effective visual and oral communications skills including presentations, computer visualizations, and other graphic presentations.
6. understand and practice integration of research, evaluation, and design in design decision-making.
7. understand cultural, environmental, and economic implications of lighting design decisions.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. Inventions and Entrepreneurship in Lighting (25%): Conceptualize, develop, and produce a prototype of a new hardware or software lighting product that meets a market need and/or develop an elevator pitch and a business plan for a unique lighting product or service.
2. Lighting Design Competition (25%): Enter at least one of several national or international lighting or luminaire design competitions.
3. Lighting for Sustainability (20%): Project work centered on daylighting metrics, analysis, and design and/or lighting energy policy analysis.
4. Light Art (25%): Be familiar with light art genres and contemporary work. Design, build, and show an original work of art that utilizes light as a primary medium.
5. Communication Charettes (5%): Rapid generation of ideas and experimentation with communicating lighting ideas to various audiences.

Prerequisites: permission of instructor.

Textbooks/Learning Resources: No required text. Use of the Lighting Research Center’s laboratories, resource collection, mock up capabilities, and staff consultants is encouraged.

Offered (semester and year): spring semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Russ Leslie
LGHT-6770: Light and Health (3 credits)

Course Description: This course reviews the effects of light on human health as well as applications where light can be used to improve sleep, behavior, and mood.

Course Goals and Objectives: Review the principals of the visual system, teach basics of circadian photobiology, teach other non-visual effects of optical radiation, teach students what are the appropriate photometric measurements for the circadian system and teach them how to apply this knowledge into an architectural application. The main objective is to teach students that light is not just for vision and that other lighting characteristics need to be considered in the architectural environment to assure health and well being of users.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. Professional Communication Skills: 25%
2. Investigative Skills: 50%
3. Use of Precedents: 25%

Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources:

Offered (semester and year): spring semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Mariana Figueiro
ARCH 6840: Engineering Acoustics (2 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): Provides introductory materials of engineering acoustics for students with basic knowledge in mathematics. Much of course materials are taken from the textbook *Acoustics for Engineers*.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will demonstrate abilities to:
1. use wave equations to explain wave nature and wave phenomena of acoustics
2. solve acoustics fundamental problems related to engineering acoustics
3. use transducers (such as microphones, speakers, accelerometers) properly to conduct acoustic measurements
4. use basic concepts of acoustics science (such as wave propagations, dissipation, reflection, refraction, and absorption) to respond to field-specific questions.

Student Performance Criterion/addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. Introduction to the textbook, review of complex notations, 9.1%
2. Mechanic / Acoustic Oscillations, 9.1%
3. Wave equations in fluids, 18.2%
4. Horns and ducts, 18.2%
5. Spherical sound sources and line arrays, 18.2%
6. Piston membranes, diffraction and scattering, 13.6%
7. Dissipation, reflection, refraction, and absorption, 13.6%

Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources: Blauert & Xiang: *Acoustics for Engineers*, Spring 2009

Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Ning Xiang
ARCH-6860: Applied Psychoacoustics (3 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): In this course, the fundamentals of psychoacoustics and auditory signal processing will be explained and discussed.

Course Goals and Objectives:
1. Students will demonstrate knowledge of the fundamental terms and principles in psychoacoustics
2. Students will demonstrate the ability to analyze the acoustics of rooms by ear and use field-specific language to describe the findings.
3. Upon reading current scientific papers in the field, the participant will be able to write a summary and analysis using psychoacoustic terminology.
4. The students will be able to design psychoacoustic experiments and execute a statistical analysis on these data.
5. The students will learn to design auditory models for the programming environment Matlab.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title):
25% Midterm Exam (fundamental content knowledge), 25% Final Project (scientific paper analysis, comparison), 25% Homework assignments, 25% Quizzes

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. course introduction & signals (7.7%)
2. physiology-auditory periphery (7.7%)
3. Absolute threshold of hearing: frequency selectivity & filters (7.7%)
4. pitch, loudness, masking (7.7%)
5. binaural hearing (7.7%)
6. Perceptual evaluation of rooms (7.7%)
7. mid-term exam (7.7%)
8. auditory scene analysis (7.7%)
9. auditory virtual environments (7.7%)
10. speech perception (7.7%)
11. physiology II – cognition (7.7%)
12. statistics (7.7%)
13. case studies (7.7%)
14. final project presentations (7.7%)

Prerequisites: none


Offered (semester and year): Every Fall

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Jonas Braasch
ARCH-6870: Sonics Research Lab 1 (4 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): Focused on hands-on research tools, we will prepare basics of digital signal processing, develop an understanding of measurement equipment and analysis methods for sound.

Course Goals and Objectives: After successful accomplishment of this course work the students are able to analyze / calculate basic acoustical indices obtained from room-acoustical measurements using both commercially available tools and the MatLab-codes written by themselves. The students will be able to conduct a number of fundamental acoustical measurements, such as sound-pressure level measurements, computer-aided physical-acoustics measurements, room-acoustics measurements, particularly binaural and spatial room-acoustics measurements. The students are able to conduct hall measurements on their own. They are also able to calculate/analyze most of acoustics/ room-acoustics parameters required in ISO standards.

Student Performance Criterion/addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. Signals and Systems, 8.33%
2. Fourier Transforms, spectra and transfer functions, 8.33%
3. Introductory MatLab, m-script and m-functions, 16.67%
4. Visualize traveling waves, standing waves, and room modes, 16.67%
5. Room-acoustic property acquisition, calculation of room-acoustic parameters, 16.67%
6. Advanced room impulse response measurement methods, 16.67%
7. Filed measurement excises, 16.67%

Prerequisites: ARCH-4840 is co-requisite

Textbooks/Learning Resources:

Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Ning Xiang
ARCH-6880: Sonics Research Lab 2 (2 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): Introducing advanced acoustical measurement techniques, noise sources, noise control and vibration measurements, our own software will be developed for analysis / measurement of room acoustics.

Course Goals and Objectives: After this course, the students are able to conduct advanced acoustical experiments and independently to analyze / calculate experimental results. The students will be able to conduct a number of advanced acoustical measurements, chamber absorption measurements, chamber scattering measurements, in-situ reflection coefficient measurements and so on. The students will be able to use software developed by themselves to conduct real-life projects. They are also able to apply the conceptual and theoretical acoustics knowledge to real-life projects. The students will develop independent research ability. Demonstrate ability to carry out acoustics projects independently.

Student Performance Criterion/addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. Advanced tube measurements of impedance/phase propagation coefficients, 15.4%
2. Introduction to the finite difference scheme, 15.4%
3. In-situ measurements of reflections, 15.4%
4. Chamber Sound Absorption/Scattering Measurement, 15.4%
5. Sound transmissions through walls, 15.4%
6. Advanced Sound power measurements, 15.4%
7. Microperforated absorbers, 15.4%

Prerequisites: ARCH-4850 & ARCH-6870 are co-requisites

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
Blauert & Xiang, Acoustics for Engineers, Springer, 2009

Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Ning Xiang
ARCH-6890: Aural Architecture (3 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): This course discusses how the intertwined progress of building practice, social change, scientific knowledge, and economic interests changed built and virtual acoustic spaces over time.

Course Goals and Objectives:
1. After taking this course, the successfully participating students will have learned the fundamental terms and concepts of Aural Architecture.
2. The students will understand the principles of sound design, its application to the design of acoustics spaces.
3. The students will know the technological concepts for the design of virtual acoustic spaces (virtual environments, auditory displays, and studio technology in general).
4. The students will have deepened his/her knowledge in psychoacoustics to master the above goals.
5. The students will understand how psychophysical and statistical methods can be used to evaluate acoustic designs and establish design criteria.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. listening in natural environments
2. early music, Renaissance, Baroque, and Classic
3. 19th century music & science
4. the electric revolution
5. pre-WWII avant garde
6. the cradles of modern psychoacoustic
7. sonic spaces of modern music
8. spatial sound & music
9. the digital revolution
10. auralizations of concert halls & other spaces
11. interactive systems
12. cross-modal data displays
13. ecological psychoacoustics
14. final project presentations

Prerequisites: ARCH-4860 or permission by the instructor

Textbooks/Learning Resources: own textbook in progress, PowerPoint presentations, weekly readings (papers).

Offered (semester and year): spring semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Jonas Braasch
ARCH-6940.8: Interdisciplinary Research Studio (4 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): This course addresses interdisciplinary exchange at multiple scales on ‘Built Ecologies’.

Course Goals and Objectives: A major pedagogic objective of the studio is to increase your ability to critically identify, analyze, and amplify select forces and phenomena through the material and systemic construct of built form. The research objective of this studio is to further test, design, develop and optimize those appropriate integrated building propositions from the fall studio with architectural design. It is an exercise that is parametrically linked both to the first principles and scientific phenomena operating in your proposition, and to the many other multiple criteria of design; programmatic, bioclimatic, technologic, economic, social and cultural.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):

Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources: Among the important texts for this course are the following:
7. Daniels, Klaus Low-Tech Light-Tech High-Tech, Chapters 8-9, pages 130-173, Birkhauser Verlag AG (Sep 2001)

Offered (semester and year): spring semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Anna Dyson
ARCH-6962.8: Adv. Integrated Systems Prototype Development (4 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): This course is structured at the MDIS level (Materials, Devices and Integrated Systems) that encompasses from module of the ‘skin’ to ‘skin’ systems.

Course Goals and Objectives:
The challenge of a built ecology entails a multi-scalar design approach at the sites of energy transfer. The Building Envelope, its skin, is the primary recipient of bioclimatic energy flows. But reception is not necessarily actual receipt. The current notion of High Performance is characterized by the degree to which, for a building, the outside is kept out and the inside is kept in. Students will be asked to challenge this preconception of performance and to begin to investigate and design methods of energy transfer and transformation at the skin. How do we begin to change the very idea of performance by marshalling the variety of flows available and recasting waste as resource? Working at the MDIS level (Materials, Devices and Integrated Systems) that encompasses the module of the skin and the skin system, students will begin with waste materials, usually rejected and unnoticed, and work to transform their value through morphology and integrated performance. Reconsidering waste as resource, we will work with post-consumer paper pulp, forming modules, the “scale” of the skin. The paper pulp will form a design-study basis for the jump to Agricultural Byproduct building materials using Mycelium as adhesive, an agricultural byproduct with advanced structural, acoustic, sorption and desiccation performances.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area): N/A

Prerequisites: ARCH-6340

Textbooks/Learning Resources:

Offered (semester and year): fall and spring semesters annually
Fall / Spring

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Josh Draper, Matt Gindlesparger
M. ARCH REQUIRED COURSES
1ST-YEAR FALL SEMESTER
ARCH-2620: Graduate Architecture Design 2* (6 credits)

Course Description: This graduate studio focuses on site design, public, and institutional design in the form of exhibition space, artist studios, and residencies.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who complete this studio will be able to demonstrate
1. the ability to effectively use basic formal, organizational, and environmental principles and the capacity of each to inform two- and three-dimensional design.
2. the ability to apply the fundamentals of both natural and formal ordering systems and the capacity of each to inform two- and three-dimensional design.
3. the ability to examine and comprehend the fundamental principles present in relevant precedents and to make informed choices about the incorporation of such principles into architecture and urban design projects.
4. The ability to respond to site characteristics, including urban context and developmental patterning, historical fabric, soil, topography, ecology, climate, and building orientation, in the development of a project design.


Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. Analysis (of assigned art and artists residency precedents) and site Research: 25%
2. Preliminary design intervention in landscape (design study: 25%
3. New Residency and art center design for OMI International Arts Center: 50%

Prerequisites: ARCH-2610 (old curriculum), none in new curriculum

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
This course relies on the distribution of assigned readings, assignment of precedent references and proximity to the proposed site of the design studio and access to the client stakeholders at the OMI International Arts Center.

Offered (semester and year): fall 2014*

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Lonn Combs, David Bell, Fleet Hower, Murat Mutlu, Kyle Stover

*This studio is being replaced by ARCH-5200 in fall 2015.
ARCH-5100: History, Theory, Criticism 1 (4 credits)

Course Description: This course combines ARCH-4100 and ARCH-4130 for students in the M. Arch program. Thus, it seeks to achieve the goals of both those courses.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
FROM ARCH-4100
1. evaluate the differences and connections between architecture as it was conceived and produced in the past and in the modern and contemporary world.
2. demonstrate the ability through comparison and contrast to analyze and differentiate between various approaches to building throughout history.
3. evaluate the relationship between different intellectual perspectives and their architectural consequences.
4. apply their knowledge to discern the architectural characteristics of differing historical and cultural contexts.
5. analyze and write about selected architectural phenomena and basic principles of architectural order in their own words.

FROM ARCH-4130
1. demonstrate an understanding of the parallel and divergent histories of architecture and the cultural norms of a variety of indigenous, vernacular, local, and regional settings in terms of their political, economic, social, ecological, and technological factors.
2. demonstrate an understanding of the diverse needs, values, behavioral norms, physical abilities, and social and spatial patterns that characterize different cultures and individuals and the responsibility of the architect to ensure equity of access to sites, buildings, and structures.
3. demonstrate an ability to discern the cultural characteristics of differing architectural events, as well as to analyze basic principles entailed in relating architecture to other cultural phenomena.
4. demonstrate an ability to write about selected architectural phenomena (realized buildings, unrealized projects and urban spaces/places/realms) in their own words.
5. demonstrate an ability—through comparing/contrasting—to analyze and differentiate between various approaches to buildings and urban spaces.

Student Performance Criteria addressed (list number and title): A.7: History & Global Culture, A.8: Cultural Diversity & Social Equity

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
The Enlightenment, 16%, Baroque & Rococo, 16%, Renaissance & Mannerism, 16%, Gothic, 16% Romanesque, 16%, Roman & Late Roman, 20%
A Review of the Early Modern Movement, 14.3%, Post-War Monumentality and Reform, 14.3%, Post War to Cold War, 14.3%, Utopia and Counter Utopia, 14.3%, Modern / Postmodern, 14.3%, Modernism Reconfigured, 14.3%, Towards a Dematerialized Future, 14.3%

Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources: The instructor’s published notes for ARCH-4100

Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): David Bell & Lydia Kallipoliti
ARCH-5140: Structures 1* (3 credits)

Course Description: This course demonstrates basic principles of statics and mechanics of structural elements such as beams, columns, frames, and trusses, and fundamental selection of structural systems.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will demonstrate the ability to
1. understand the rule-of-thumb dimensions and selections of contemporary structural systems.
2. understand the basic principles of structural stability and behavior in withstanding gravity and lateral forces.
3. understand principles of statics and mechanics and basic structural analyses of beams, columns, frames, and trusses.
4. build and load test architecturally creative and structurally sound physical models to visualize structural behavior and cultivate structural intuition.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed: B.5: Structural Systems

Topical Outline:
1. Introduction to Structures and Structural Systems 30%
2. Structural Mechanics 15%
3. Analysis of Structural Elements 35%
4. Principles of Structural Design 20%

Prerequisites: ARCH 2510

Textbooks/Learning Resources: Schodek, D., and M. Bechthold, Structures, Prentice Hall. (textbook)
MacDonald A., ” Structure and Architecture” Architectural Press.
Zalewski W. and E. Allen.,” Shaping Structures - Statics,” John Wiley & Sons, Inc.
Gordon, J.,” Structures or why things don't fall down,” A Da Capo.

Offered: fall semester annually

Faculty assigned: Ivan Markov

*This graduate course is co-listed with ARCH-2330.
ARCH-5160: Digital Constructs 1* (2 credits)

**Course Description:** The focus is advanced modeling techniques in Rhino and competence with polygon modeling. Students will understand substantive differences between polygonal and NURBs based modeling, and when to use each. Students will also develop a basic competency with geospatial mapping programs and site grading strategies.

**Course Goals and Objectives:** Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. Demonstrate an understanding of the differences as well as advantages and disadvantages of NURBs-based modeling programs and polygon-based programs.
2. Demonstrate ability to efficiently create NURB models of complex surfaces with high level of precision.
3. Develop a high proficiency of polygon modeling strategies and techniques, and exploit their advantages to leverage the strengths of polygon modeling.
4. Produce renderings ofboth NURBs and polygon based projects that include effective materiality and lighting.
5. Become proficient in creating digital models suitable for 3d printing and approved by instructor - models must be watertight and have no non-manifold edges.
6. Demonstrate an understanding of GIS and how to use it to extract data sets for use in design projects.
7. Demonstrate an understanding of site design fundamentals, with a focus on site grading.

**Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title):** none assigned for this course.

**Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):**
Grading: Weekly assignments: 30%
Project I review: 35%
Project II review: 35%

Students will complete two sequential projects in Digital Constructs 3, one focused on building competency with complex NURBs modeling, and the second focused on polygon modeling. Time spent on these projects will constitute roughly a 50/50 split of the semester. Students will render and 3D print the outcomes of these projects, with emphasis placed on advanced rendering techniques, lighting, and material application, as well as proper preparation of digital models to be 3d printed.

**Prerequisites:** none

**Textbooks/Learning Resources:** No textbooks are required for this course, however students will be provided with pdf’s of relevant reading material, as well as access to Rhino, Maya, and any other software necessary to complete the course.

**Offered (semester and year):** fall semester annually

**Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit):** Fleet Hower

*This graduate course is co-listed with ARCH-2540*
ARCH-5200: Graduate Architecture Design 1* (5 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): This fall semester second-year studio focuses on site design, public, and institutional design in the form of exhibition space, artist studios, and residencies.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who complete this studio will be able to demonstrate
1. the ability to gather, assess, record, and comparatively evaluate relevant information and performance in order to support conclusions related to a specific project or assignment.
2. the ability to effectively use basic formal, organizational, and environmental principles and the capacity of each to inform two- and three-dimensional design.
3. the ability to apply the fundamentals of both natural and formal ordering systems and the capacity of each to inform two- and three-dimensional design.
4. the ability to examine and comprehend the fundamental principles present in relevant precedents and to make informed choices about the incorporation of such principles into architecture and urban design projects.
5. the ability to prepare a comprehensive program for an architectural project that includes an assessment of client and user needs; an inventory of spaces and their requirements; an analysis of site conditions (including existing buildings); and a definition of site selection and design assessment criteria.
6. The ability to respond to site characteristics, including urban context and developmental patterning, historical fabric, soil, topography, ecology, climate, and building orientation, in the development of a project design.


Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. Analysis (of assigned art and artists residency precedents) and site Research: 25%
2. Preliminary design intervention in landscape (design study: 25%
3. New Residency and art center for OMI International Arts Center: 50%

Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources: This course relies on the distribution of assigned readings, assignment of precedent references and proximity to the proposed site of the design studio and access to the client stakeholders at the OMI International Arts Center.

Offered (semester and year): fall 2015 and every fall thereafter*

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): David Bell, Fleet Hower, Edwin Liu, Ted Ngai, Kyle Stover

*This studio replaces ARCH-2630 in fall 2015.
ARCH-5300: Materials and Construction Systems* (3 credits)

Course Description: This course provides a basic understanding of material(ity), form and figuration in basic structural loading, and the synergy of the two through assemblage.

Course Goals + Objectives:
1. Introduce basic structural principles including an understanding of forces, an introduction to structural systems and how they distribute and resist forces, and an introduction to sectional properties and their relationship to material properties.
2. Introduce first principles of the physical properties of materials. Learn how the internal composition of materials relates to these basic properties.
3. Introduce methodologies for developing criteria for material selection, use and deployment based on performance and fitness for use.
4. Gather actual materials in order to directly engage—compare, + contrast materials
5. Document materials in-situ in various states—i.e., natural, processed, ephemeral as we.
6. Introduce the concept of material life-cycle(s)
7. Introduce the concept of assemblage as the synergy of material fitness + structural configuration

Outcomes
1. Obtain a fundamental understanding of basic structural properties. “Know-how” and intuition will be developed through the active testing + experimentation of various structural loading types + their effect on the figuration of structural systems.
2. Obtain a fundamental, ‘first principles’ approach to engaging materials + materiality. Focus on the properties, uses, and implications of the most common groups of materials, while generating the “know-how” that allows design to emerge from a critical engagement of a material.
3. A synthesis of the accumulated knowledge of materials + structural properties through an engagement with performance criteria through authorship + assembly. The open questions that arise from the connection + assembly of two different elements/materials, and how this affords design potential + opportunity will be a key outcome.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): B.7:, Building Envelope Systems & Assemblies, B.8: Building Materials & Assemblies

Topical Outline:
We will address the properties, use, and implications of these three aspects of material + design, in both a historical and abstract manner. However, the primary aim of the course will be to develop a “know how” of materiality (35% of the course time), structure (35% of the course time), and assemblage (35% of the course time), through a series of “hands-on” interrogations and research presentations. These exercises will identify the tactics we as architects deploy to assess and engage the resistances intrinsic to these three primary subjects, and how they can afford an affective/effective departure for design.

Prerequisites: none


Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Demetrios Comodromos

* This graduate level course is co-listed with ARCH-2510 & -2350.
M. ARCH REQUIRED COURSES
1ST-YEAR SPRING SEMESTER
ARCH-2630: Graduate Architecture Design 3* (6 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): AD 3 tackles the problem of designing multi-unit collective housing for an urban site. Students work in team of two.

Course Goals and Objectives: The projects designed in AD 3 must successfully navigate the pragmatics of organizing a complex architectural program into a coherent building that sensitively responds to and shapes its user’s needs, while also maintaining high levels of formal, material, and aesthetic experimentation that push the discipline forward. Students must work productively as members of a design partnership.


Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Week 1 – Week 3: Documentation and Analysis of a precedent project (A.5, A.6), 20%
Week 4 – Week 6: Schematic Design of building and site (A.4, A.5, B.2), 20%
Week 7 – Week 8: Schematic Design of housing units (A.4, A.5), 13.33%
Week 9: Midterm review; assess the schematic designs at the scale of the entire building and site and at the scale of the housing units. Discuss refinement and integration of the project at both scales. 6.67%
Week 10 – Week 12: Development of large-scale section model (A.4, A.5), 20%
Week 13 – Week 14: Synthesis of all aspects of the project (A.4, A.5, B.2), 13.33%
Week 15: Final review, 6.67%

Prerequisites: ARCH-2620

Textbooks/Learning Resources: Readings were assigned by each individual studio instructor. Lectures given by instructors to the entire class covered the following topics: diagramming, housing typologies, site design and planning, and zoning and code for housing design.

Offered (semester and year): spring 2015

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Ted Krueger, Adam Dayem, Edwin Liu, Zbigniew Oksiuta, Elena Perez Guembe, Fleet Hower

* This course will be replaced by ARCH-5210 in spring 2016.
ARCH-5110: History, Theory, Criticism 2 (4 credits)

Course Description: This course combines ARCH-4110* and ARCH-4120 for students in the M. Arch program. Thus, it seeks to achieve the goals of both those courses.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
FROM ARCH-4110*
1. evaluate the differences and connections between architecture as it was conceived and produced in the past and in the modern and contemporary world.
2. demonstrate the ability through comparison and contrast to analyze and differentiate between various approaches to building throughout history.
3. evaluate the relationship between different intellectual perspectives and their architectural consequences.
4. apply their knowledge to discern the architectural characteristics of differing historical and cultural contexts.
5. analyze and write about selected architectural phenomena and basic principles of architectural order in their own words.
FROM ARCH-4120
1. identify, analyze and explain the major architectural movements, theories, and projects of modern civilization as they evolved in relation to their respective cultural and historical frameworks.
2. analyze architecture and architectural theories related to the modern movement through texts and images.
3. demonstrate through writing and test responses how buildings and urban spaces are both informed by but also inform cultural, philosophical, religious, political and economic forces in western, non-western, and global civilizations.
4. communicate coherently both orally and in writing the architectural ideas of the visual and verbal vocabularies of the many manifestations of modern architecture and its historical precursors.
5. develop through research and critical thinking meaningful theses in writing and the course exams with respect to specific architecturally significant buildings and concepts identified in class and the required readings.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): A.7: History & Global Culture, A.8: Cultural Diversity & Social Equity

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
The Islamic World, 20%, The Indian Sub-Continent, 20%, Ancient Greece, 30%, Ancient Egypt, 15%, China, 15%, The Origins of Modernity, 14.3%, Industrialization and its Discontents, 14.3%, Metropolis & Modernity, 14.3%, The Garden in the City, 14.3%, Modernism & Manifesto, 14.3%, Modernism and Mass Production, 14.3%, L’Esprit Nouveau, 14.3%

Prerequisites: ARCH-5100


Offered (semester and year): spring semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): David Bell & Lydia Kallipoliti

*In spring 2016, this course replaced part of the content of ARCH-2110 & Arch-2120.
ARCH-5170: Digital Constructs 2* (2 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): This course helps students develop an advanced skill set of computational techniques beyond digital modeling and representation, e.g., parametrics, BIM fundamentals, environmental issues, etc.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. demonstrate an understanding of basic computational concepts as well as their general appearance in code, and how to implement them.
2. demonstrate the ability to code a custom-built tool that can be used in a design studio setting.
3. demonstrate the ability to use environmental analysis as an influential component of site and massing design.
4. demonstrate a basic understanding of integrated design.
5. understand the integration of building systems and pricing in the design stages of a project.
6. perform environmental analysis studies on current or past studio projects, and understand the environmental implications of the design.

Student Performance Criterion/area addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. The course will include one significant project at the beginning of the semester, and then will investigate a series of additional methods of analysis later in the semester. 33.33%
2. The larger project will teach students a basic understanding of computational thinking, as well as the ability to write computer code to manipulate geometry. These exercises will conclude with each student writing a custom tool that can be used in their studio work. 33.33%
3. Subsequent smaller exercises will include introductions to analysis programs that investigate environment, material cost, code restrictions, and geometric design. Many of these exercises will involve the introduction of a new piece of software, which students will learn for a week, and then subsequently perform a relevant analysis. 33.33%

Prerequisites: ARCH-5160

Textbooks/Learning Resources: No textbooks are required for this course, however students will be provided with pdf’s of relevant reading material, as well as access to Rhino, and any other software necessary to complete the course

Offered (semester and year): spring semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Fleet Hower

*This graduate level course is co-listed with ARCH-2550.
ARCH-5210: Graduate Architecture Design 2* (5 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): AD 3 tackles the problem of designing multi-unit collective housing for an urban site. Students work in team of two.

Course Goals and Objectives: The projects designed in AD 3 must successfully navigate the pragmatics of organizing a complex architectural program into a coherent building that sensitively responds to and shapes its user’s needs, while also maintaining high levels of formal, material, and aesthetic experimentation that push the discipline forward. Students must work productively as members of a design partnership.


Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Week 1 – Week 3: Documentation and Analysis of a precedent project (A.5, A.6), 20%
Week 4 – Week 6: Schematic Design of building and site (A.4, A.5, B.2), 20%
Week 7 – Week 8: Schematic Design of housing units (A.4, A.5), 13.33%
Week 9: Midterm review; assess the schematic designs at the scale of the entire building and site and at the scale of the housing units. Discuss refinement and integration of the project at both scales. 6.67%
Week 10 – Week 12: Development of large-scale section model (A.4, A.5), 20%
Week 13 – Week 14: Synthesis of all aspects of the project (A.4, A.5, B.2), 13.33%
Week 15: Final review, 6.67%

Prerequisites: ARCH-5200

Textbooks/Learning Resources: Readings were assigned by each individual studio instructor. Lectures given by instructors to the entire class covered the following topics: diagramming, housing typologies, site design and planning, and zoning and code for housing design.

Offered (semester and year): spring 2015

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): David Bell, additional faculty to be named later.

* This course will be taught for the first time in spring 2016.
ARCH-5310: Environmental & Ecological Systems* (4 credits)

Course Description: This course explores climate-responsive design, including passive heating, cooling, ventilation, and daylighting, for thermal and visual comfort, through lectures, weekly laboratories, and a research project.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. gather climate information for a particular location and use it to quantify local solar, wind, and daylighting resources, as well as evaporative cooling potential.
2. use instruments such as weather meters, solar pathfinders, non-contact thermometers, and illuminometers to investigate existing buildings and to characterize microclimate conditions.
3. calculate heat gains and losses through standard building envelope assemblies.
4. design operable shading devices that meet pre-established criteria for performance.
5. evaluate the probable effectiveness of a passive solar heating system.
6. size and locate apertures for schematic-level natural ventilation systems.
7. size and locate glazing for schematic-level daylighting systems.
8. simulate the performance of such systems, and test alternative elements of such systems, in a whole-building energy simulation program that accurately simulates passive systems.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): B.6: Environmental Systems

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. Vernacular architecture (8%)
2. Heat transfer (8%)
3. Thermal comfort (8%)
4. Energy modeling (8%)
5. Climates (8%)
6. Solar geometry (8%)
7. Thermal envelopes (8%)
8. Passive solar heating (8%)
9. Passive cooling (8%)
10. Shading (8%)
11. Daylighting (8%)
12. Rainwater & Site design (8%)
13. Research projects (4%)

Prerequisites: none


Offered (semester and year): spring semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Alexandra Rempel

* This graduate course is co-listed with ARCH-2360.
ARCH-5330: The Economics of Architecture* (2 credits)

Course Description: This course addresses economic issues related to architectural practice within national and global economics as well as those issues specific to practice and the profession.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who have successfully completed this course will be able to:
1. demonstrate a knowledge of the responsibilities of the architect to elicit, understand and reconcile the needs of the Client, Owner, User Groups and the public and community domains
2. demonstrate a knowledge of the methods for competing for commissions, selecting consultants, assembling teams and recommending contractual project delivery methods
3. demonstrate the ability to work effectively in teams through successful completion of class projects.
4. apply knowledge of the architects’ responsibility to the public and the client as determined by registration law, professional service contracts to specific situations.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): B.10: Financial Considerations, D.3: Business Practices

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Architecture and the Building Industry in the Larger Economy, 12.5%
Domestic and global economies, 12.5%
Organization of Architectural Practice, 12.5%
Globalization of Practice, 12.5%
Cost Estimation, Fees, Services and Consultants, 12.5%
Design-Build and Alternative Practice Models, 12.5%
Case Studies Presentations and Discussions, 12.5%
The Design of Design Practices, Architect’s Role During Construction, 12.5%

Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
Rosalie Ruegg & Harold Marshall, Building Economics: Theory and Practice

Offered (semester and year): spring semester annually*

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): N/A

*This course will not be offered with an ARCH prefix until spring 2019. Prior to that date, it will be taught in RPI’s Lally School of Management. It will be co-listed with ARCH-4590.
M. ARCH REQUIRED COURSES

2nd-YEAR FALL SEMESTER
ARCH-4360.80: Architecture Design 4* (6 credits) (CASE)

Course Description: This semester seeks to resolve the realities of design actualization and technological research using a single, speculative project to produce both knowledge and architecture.

Course Goals and Objectives:
Each student will develop ways to approach with equal measure issues of site, environment, context, history, concept, structure, materials, systems, and geometry in order to provoke a tangible and persuasive architecture that:
1. Advances their insights and thesis in response to the program brief
2. Furthers ecological and parametric approaches to the building and thinking of architecture and design
3. Produces architectural knowledge and expands possibility through the act of integration, and ecological thinking

Students will develop a capacity to design at various scales of material realization and assembly in support and development of conceptual intentions/ideas while integrating building, environmental, and programmatic systems and addressing regulatory and technical requirements. Students are expected to iteratively address multiple design considerations and in doing so to develop their awareness and understanding regarding how:
1. One scale informs/impacts another,
2. Criteria established by considerations of environmental building performance inform and positively affect morphology, structure, envelope and the planning and design of buildings
3. Disciplines affecting architectural design (structural, mechanical, acoustic, lighting, etc...) cannot be seen as exclusive, isolated, or compartmentalized practices, and to develop the capacity to integrate that understanding early into the design process.


Topical Outline:
The 17th Century Salon as program and ground for speculation and the projection of living information and social interaction will be the focus of the studio’s attention and the testing bed of our methodology this semester. In particular, the studio will reconsider the existing space of the current faculty office and conference area at CASE, a 450 ft² space that operates as both the front door and main gathering area for the center. The question we will ask is how the reconsideration of the surfaces that define the room and their constituent and internal modularity and makeup can participate in the making of the room as CASE’s Salon—a place of interaction, projection, and performance.

The project will move through issues of existing condition analysis (10%), programming and conceptualization (20%), material design and processing(30%), prototyping (20%), installation (15%), gathering and processing of data (5%) all in the context of reconsidering the actual architecture of the room, and its transformation into the CASE Salon.

Prerequisites: ARCH-2630


Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually (CASE)

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Demetrios Comodromos, Nancy Diniz, Josh Draper, Anna Dyson

* This course will be replaced by ARCH-6610.8 in fall 2016.
ARCH-5150: Structures 2* (3 credits)

Course Description: This course demonstrates basic principles and behavior of structural systems under gravity lateral and seismic loads with emphasis on steel and concrete materials.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will demonstrate the ability to:
1. understand the load path of gravity and lateral forces in the basic structural assemblies.
2. understand the concept and load transfer in advanced structural systems.
3. understand the basic principles of steel and concrete systems.
4. understand the basic principles of seismic design.
5. build and load test architecturally creative and structurally sound physical models to visualize structural behavior and cultivate structural intuition.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed: B.5: Structural Systems

Topical Outline:
1. Review of Structures 1 5%
2. Gravity and Lateral Load Transfer in basic Structural Systems 20%
3. Principles in Steel Design 15%
4. Principles in Concrete Design 15%
5. Concepts in Seismic Design 10%
6. Advanced Structural Systems 15%
7. Structural Design 20%

Prerequisites: ARCH 5140

Textbooks/Learning Resources: Schodek, D., and M. Bechthold, Structures, Prentice Hall. (textbook)
Fanella, D, "Steel Design for Engineers and Architects," Van Nostrand Reinhold.
AISC "Manual of Steel Design – ASD/LRFD" (recommended).
Shafer R. "Reinforced Concrete – Preliminary Design for Architects and Builders,"
McGraw-Hill, Inc. (recommended).

Offered: fall semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Ivan Markov

* This course is co-listed with ARCH-4330.
ARCH-6320 Built Ecologies 1 (3 credits)

Course Description: Built Ecologies I investigates the principles of physics and ecology integral to the ways that buildings interact with their occupants and surroundings.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. express a meaningful view of the role(s) of ecological theory in his/her design values.
2. interpret climate data and use it quantitatively in building simulation.
3. define standard and adaptive thermal comfort quantitatively and to explain the interactions of temperature, humidity, and air velocity in creating perceptions of thermal comfort and delight.
4. calculate quantities of heat transferred from one building element to another, the thermal properties, proximities, and temperatures of the fluids and materials involved.
5. estimate quantities of air transferred from one space to another through cross- or stack-driven passive ventilation, given the configuration of openings and indoor and outdoor temperatures.
6. identify design elements that affect the simulated passive heating or passive cooling performance of a given computational model, hypothesize effective redesigns, and test the redesigns for effectiveness.
7. evaluate the effectiveness of a given daylighting strategy on visual comfort and electric lighting energy use and propose effective redesigns.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. Classical and Architectural Ideas of Ecology (10%)
2. Climates and Climate Analysis (10%)
3. Thermal Comfort and Thermal Delight (10%)
4. Thermodynamics and Efficiency (10%)
5. Whole-Building Energy Modeling (10%)
6. Heat Transfer (10%)
7. Radiation and Solar Geometry (10%)
8. Glass and Windows (10%)
9. Natural Ventilation (10%)
10. Research Projects (10%)

Prerequisites: ARCH-5310

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
1. Atkins: Thermodynamics, A Very Short Introduction
2. Heschong: Thermal Delight in Architecture
4. Morton: The Ecological Thought
5. Owen: The Efficiency Dilemma
6. Ricklefs: Ecology

Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Alexandra Rempel
ARCH-6370.80: Environmental Parametrics Workshop* (2 credits)

Course Description: This course describes the meaning, values and methods of deploying parametric techniques to achieve comprehensive performance design as an analytical tool and a generative device.

Course Goals and Objectives:
1. Students will become fluent in the platforms and software necessary to setup models and simulations of a range of environmental conditions and their effects on buildings and their contexts.
2. Students will be able to create parametrically-based models and simulations that establish complex feedback loops between building morphology and system optimization in relationship to environmental performance.
3. Students will gain a direct understanding of the disciplines complicit with architecture and sustainability, and their roles and potentials in creating ecologies of design for the production of architecture by engaging with those professionals through office visits and invited lectures and weekly reading-based discussions.
4. Students will gain a fluency in the discourse of built ecologies and sustainability in urban contexts by directly observing complex urban systems in New York City by direct observation during bi-weekly group walks and site visits.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline:
TECHNIQUE: PARAMETRICS (60%)
workshops to orient the participants in the software platforms, reservoirs of knowledge and resource, and working methods to create comprehensive existing/as-built models and simulations, parametrically-driven geometry and morphology feedback tools.
TACTICS: PERFORMANCE DESIGN (20%)
students will continue to consider and situate the flows of knowledge as created and manipulated in an effort to produce architecture, and how they can be further positioned with the aim of performance-design.
STRATEGIES: DESIGNED ECOLOGIES (20%)
students will consider and gain an awareness of design ecology as the framework with which we ‘see’ and as such understand performance design and parametrics as a means to reinforce a considered approach to architectural intervention that emphasizes open systems and flows of energy and information as the basic ‘material’ afforded to the architect.

Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
New York: A Documentary Film, Dir Ric Burns. PBS,

Offered (semester and year): fall and spring annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Demetrios Comodromos

* Last taught in fall 2014 and is replaced by ARCH-6380.80 in fall 2015.
ARCH-6380.80: Environmental Parametrics* (2 credits)

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Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
New York: A Documentary Film, Dir Ric Burns. PBS,

Offered (semester and year): fall and spring annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Demetrios Comodromos

* This course replaces ARCH-6370.80 in fall 2015.
ARCH-6610.80: Graduate Architecture Design 3* (5 credits) (CASE)

Course Description: This semester seeks to resolve the realities of design actualization and technological research using a single, speculative project to produce both knowledge and architecture.

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Prerequisites: ARCH-5210


Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually (CASE)

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Demetrios Comodromos, Nancy Diniz, Josh Draper, Anna Dyson

* This course will replace ARCH-4360.8 in fall 2016.
ARCH-6810.81: Research Design Seminar (3 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): The principal objective of this introductory seminar is to provide students with the opportunity to learn the fundamentals of research design

Course Goals and Objectives: Students will gain understanding of the components of Research Design including: (1) identifying and selecting focused research problems/opportunities/ideas; (2) documenting the state of the art in the selected research area; (3) identifying the critical resources and settings to carry out the research; (4) designing the research program including strategies and tactics for carrying out the research. It is hoped that the knowledge gained in the RD Seminar will assist students in the development of their own individual thesis proposals. Additionally, the students will be required to attend a series of guest lectures in areas of Research Protocols, Intellectual Property, Research Design Practice(s) and standards for various means of communicating research through multiple formats, such as design competition posters, conference posters, abstracts and thesis/dissertation formats. The course will pay particular critical attention to the sensitive issues and grey areas that are created in conducting interdisciplinary graduate research that is oriented around the design studio, and by definition involves the innovation and invention of new ideas, methods, systems and products by multiple people and organizations.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area): N/A

Prerequisites: none

Textbooks/Learning Resources:

Offered (semester and year): fall 2015

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Josh Draper
M. ARCH REQUIRED COURSES
2nd-YEAR SPRING SEMESTER
ARCH-4300: Design Development* (6 credits)

Course Description: A collaborative integrative technology-based design studio emphasizing materialization and making architectural design projects concerning program, environment, structure, life-safety, building envelope, materials and integrated building systems.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. Evaluate, select creatively, and employ materials and construction means to realize an architectural project in support of well conceived and articulated design intentions.
2. Integrate program, life safety, structure, building envelope, materials, building systems and technologies into an architectural design including, but not limited to the International Building Code (IBC), (ADA), environmental awareness and response, enclosure, lighting and HVAC.
3. Produce and organize an effective set of technical drawings utilizing a combination of analog and digital two and three-dimensional tools.


Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Diagramming and Conceptual Framing – 1 week (10%)
Bulk and Mass – 1 week (10%)
Principles of Life Safety, Universal Access and Code Analysis – 1 week (10%)
Programming – 1 week (10%)
Structural Systems – 1 week (10%)
Energy, Environment and Comfort – 1 week (10%)
Building Envelope – 1 week (10%)
Site Design and Development – 1 week (10%)
Materials and Systems – 1 week (10%)
Professional Practice(s) and Building Visits (NYC) – 3 days (10%)
Building Information Modeling – Integrated throughout
Technical Documentation and Outline Specification – Integrated throughout
Integrative Evaluations and Decision Making – Integrated throughout
Integrative Design – Integrated throughout

Prerequisites: ARCH-4820, ARCH-4330, ARCH-4740; ARCH-4540 (ARCH-5380) is co-requisite

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
The Architect’s Studio Companion, Edward Allen and Joseph Iano
The Fundamentals of Building Construction-Materials and Methods, Edward Allen
Façade Construction Manual, Birkhauser
The International Building Code / 2010; A course reader – see full syllabus

Offered (semester and year): Fall and Spring semesters annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit):
S’14: Lonn Combs, Alexander Pincus; F’14: Ted Krueger, Ashmal Aqtash, Lauren Thomsen (BIM);
S’15: Mark Mistur, Erik Churchill, Lauren Thomsen (BIM); F’15: Mark Mistur, Erik Churchill, Lauren Thomsen (BIM); Michael Stein, P.E., and Will Laufs, P.E. (Bedford Engineering Professors)

* This studio will be taught for the last time in spring 2016. Afterwards, it is replaced by ARCH-6630 and taught in fall semester annually.
ARCH-4560: Materials and Enclosures* (2 credits)

Course Description: This course aims to synthesize building enclosures with the social, historical, and technical aspects of contemporary practice via in-depth explorations of applied and conceptual logics.

Course Goals + Objectives:
In addition to fostering a deep understanding of the meaning, materials and systems that are combined in complex ways to create the basis of enclosures, this class aims to:
1. Build a foundation of scientific knowledge in the use of materials and the detailing of enclosures.
2. Utilize a foundation of knowledge to explore new systems and innovative opportunities.
3. Develop documentation and representational techniques appropriate to the communication of complex enclosure systems.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): B.7: Building Envelope Systems & Assemblies, B.8: Building Materials & Assemblies

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. The course begins with two surveys: the first situates enclosures in a Historical/Social Survey and the second in a Technical Survey of Enclosure types (20% combined),
2. The criteria for enclosure design is developed to define the material logic of wrapping enclosures (20%)
3. Layered Enclosures (20%)
4. Technical Operations + Altering (20%)
5. Design Synthesis (20%).

Prerequisites: ARCH-2510

Textbooks/Learning Resources:

Offered (semester and year): spring semesters annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit):
Demetrios Comodromos, Ajmal Aqtash

* This course will become ARCH-5340 and be taught in fall beginning 2017.
ARCH-5360: Building Systems & Environment (4 credits)

Course Description: Design analysis and performance characteristics of building environmental systems, emphasizing heating, cooling, ventilation, and lighting systems, electrical systems, acoustics, water, waste, and drainage systems.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. develop systems that provides human comfort in buildings for specific climatic zones.
2. analyze the spatial requirements necessary for the building systems to support the various and unique programs that is encountered in modern buildings.
3. examine the requirements of a studio conceptual design project and develop a human comfort system appropriate to the program and climatic conditions while insuring that the architecture and engineering design are integrated and developed with sustainable principles.
4. Perform energy audits on buildings, calculate acoustical and lighting requirements for buildings


Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):

Prerequisites: ARCH-5310

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
Allen, Edward, *The Architect's Studio Companion*
Lechner, Norbert, *Heating, Cooling, Lighting, Sustainable Design Methods for Architects*

Offered (semester and year): spring semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Oliver Homes
ARCH-5380: Professional Practice 1 (2 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): This course analyzes assemblies and occupancies of construction, building codes & regulations, sustainability, cost estimating, project management, legal responsibilities and professional conduct.

Course Goals and Objectives: ProPractice 1 explores how architects realize design projects—taking them from conception through development, documentation, and construction and the collateral efforts beyond pure design essential for successful projects. This requires investigation and proving understanding of/ability within legal, code/regulatory, professional, contractual, and stakeholder and marketplace environments, within which designs become buildings.


Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area)*:
1. Building Codes & Regulations & Technical Documentation – 50%
2. Sustainability Constructs in Professional Practice – 15%
3. Construction Cost Estimating – 20%
4. Professional Conduct, Legal Responsibilities and Project Management – 15%

*Items 1.-3. are intended to be comprehensively addressed, Item 4. fundamentals are intended to be introduced in ProPractice I; all correspond to the following categories: SPC  B.3 - Codes and Regulations; SPC  B.4 - Technical Documentation; SPC  D.1 - Stakeholder Roles in Architecture; SPC  D.2 - Project Management; SPC  D.4 - Legal Responsibilities; SPC  D.5 - Professional Conduct

Prerequisites: ARCH-4540 and ARCH-5380 are co-requisites for ARCH-4300 [which will become ARCH-6630]*

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
Required:
Access to: current online version of the 2010 International Building Code for New York State

Library reference:
1. The Architect’s Studio Companion, by Allen and Iano
2. Architectural Building Codes, by James G. Scott
3. Construction Materials; Types, Uses and Applications, by Caleb Hornbostel

Offered (semester and year): fall and spring semesters annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Stephen F. Reilly

* ARCH-4300 and its relevant content will become ARCH-6630 beginning in fall 2016. ARCH-5380 is co-listed with ARCH-4540.
ARCH-6620: Graduate Architecture Design 4 (5 credits)

Course Description: This design-based studio focuses on integrating structural, technical, detail, zoning, and code-related issues with respect to a moderate to large-scale building of civic importance.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. demonstrate competence in developing a complex architectural program.
2. demonstrate an ability to design in response to site conditions, climate, and urban context
3. produce an integrated and effective presentation of verbal, graphic and modeling materials
4. produce a schematic solution to a building type integrating responses to physical, cultural, and regulatory considerations.


Topical Outline:
Integrative Evaluations and Decision Making – Integrated throughout
Integrative Design – Integrated throughout
Project Notebook, background research - integrated throughout
Programming Document - distributed – 20%
Case Studies Building types – One week – 10%
Analysis of Context – One week – 10%
Massing in response to urban, site and climatic conditions – One week – 10%
Site Design – One Week – 10%
Accessibility and Egress Standards – One week – 10%

Prerequisites: ARCH-4360.8 or ARCH-6610.8

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
Architectural Graphic Standards, AIA
The Architect’s Studio Companion, Edward Allen and Joseph Iano
Time-Saver Standards for Building Types, De Chiara and Callender

Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually beginning in fall 2016

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): N/A

* This course is co-listed with ARCH-4820 and will begin in spring 2016.
ARCH-6680: History, Theory, Criticism 3* (4 credits)

Course Description: This course combines ARCH-2130* and ARCH-4090 for M. Arch students. Thus, it seeks to achieve the goals of both those courses.

Course Goals and Objectives: Upon successful completion of this course the student will have improved his/her Critical Thinking and Representation Skills according to the NAAB Performance Criteria FROM ARCH-2130. Students will be able to:

1. demonstrate an ability to discuss and critically compare and contrast the theoretical merits and their consequences of contemporary design practices.
2. identify and critique key aspects of contemporary architectural design projects and trends.
3. compare critically current design theories to previous theories and their design manifestations.
4. identify, discuss, and evaluate the thesis of a particular architectural project and/or its designer.
5. formulate in a rudimentary way and express their own perspective on the design and practice of architecture.

FROM ARCH-4090

1. The student will be able to observe and develop a preliminary analysis of an architectural artifact, synthesizing the observations of others, and constructing critical conclusions. He/she will understand how to investigate buildings in their larger physical, social, and professional contexts and be able to articulate the cultural and architectural knowledge embedded within them.
2. The student will be able to clearly, compellingly, and succinctly document and describe the visible and invisible aspect of an architectural case, graphically, in writing form and oral presentation – with respect to the affect its physical, spatial, and material form has on the experience of its users, the profession and society, as well as their influence(s) on it.
3. The student will be able to demonstrate a working knowledge of the use of citations and attributions in scholarly writing and presentations.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
ARCH-2130: What is Critical?, 16.6%, Difference: Theories and History, 16.6%, Deterritorialization: Methods and Practice, 16.6%, The Imaginary: Form Making, 16.6%, Immanence: Programming, The Sensible; Materiality, 16.6%, The Digital, 16.6%
ARCH-4090: Research & Documentation (25%), Deconstruction & Analysis (35%), Complementary Research & Presentation Development (40%)

Prerequisites: ARCH-5110

Textbooks/Learning Resources: The instructor for ARCH-2130* will determine the most appropriate contemporary texts with each distinct iteration of the course.
FOR ARCH-4090:
1. Drawings, Images and Texts by the project’s author(s), as published in monographs, dedicated publications and architects’ own websites. Initial list provided by faculty.
2. Literature and Text about the building by others (academic journals, professional and industry publications)
3. Selected Online Sources (approved by faculty)

Offered (semester and year): spring semester annually beginning in 2017

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit):
Gustavo Crembil, N/A

* ARCH-6680 is co-listed with ARCH-2130 & ARCH-4090. ARCH-2130 was last taught in fall 2014. It will resume in spring 2017 with the number ARCH-4150.
M. ARCH REQUIRED COURSES
3rd-YEAR FALL SEMESTER
ARCH-4140: Modernity in Culture and Architecture* (4 credits)

Course Description: Beginning with the Enlightenment, this course critically examines the phenomenon of modernity and its impact on architectural theory and production.

Course Goals and Objectives:
1. Students will have demonstrated ability—through comparing/contrasting—to analyze and differentiate between various approaches to buildings and urban spaces.
2. Students will be able to evaluate relationships between different intellectual perspectives and their relation to architectural debates.
3. Students will have demonstrated ability to apply their knowledge to discern the cultural characteristics of differing architectural events.
4. Students will have demonstrated ability to write about selected architectural phenomena (realized buildings, unrealized projects and urban spaces/places/realms) in their own words.
5. Students will have demonstrated capacity to discern and analyze basic principles entailed in relating architecture to other cultural phenomena.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course.

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
- Origins of Modernity: 7.14%
- An Ideal Society, through Architecture: 7.14%
- Modernity as Industrialization: 7.14%
- Modernity as the Metropolitan Environment: 7.14%
- Architecture and City Design: 7.14%
- New Architecture(s): 7.14%
- Modern Architecture & the Interwar Moment: 7.14%
- Modernity, Again: 7.14%
- Second Modernity: Fifties & Sixties: 7.14%
- Leaving Modernism Behind: 7.14%
- Architecture (again) in the Spotlight: 7.14%
- Paradox in (Contemporary) Architecture: 7.14%
- Future Modernities: 7.14%

Prerequisites: ARCH-2120, ARCH-2130

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
- Barry Bergdoll, European Architecture 1750-1890
- Alan Colquhoun, Modern Architecture
- Jane Jacobs, The Death and Life of Great American Cities
In addition to these texts, the instructor assigns a wide variety of readings throughout the semester.

Offered (semester and year): fall semester 2014, 2015

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Lydia Kallipoliti, Brendan Moran, Ralph Ghoche

* This course was be taught in its present form for the last time in fall 2015. It is being replaced by ARCH-4120 and -4130, Modernity in Culture, Civilization, and Architecture 1 and 2 both of which will be subsumed in ARCH-5100 & -5110 for the graduate students.
ARCH-5340: Materials and Enclosures* (2 credits)

Course Description: This course aims to synthesize building enclosures with the social, historical, and technical aspects of contemporary practice via in-depth explorations of applied and conceptual logics.

Course Goals + Objectives:
In addition to fostering a deep understanding of the meaning, materials and systems that are combined in complex ways to create the basis of enclosures, this class aims to:
1. Build a foundation of scientific knowledge in the use of materials and the detailing of enclosures.
2. Utilize a foundation of knowledge to explore new systems and innovative opportunities.
3. Develop documentation and representational techniques appropriate to the communication of complex enclosure systems.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): B.7: Building Envelope Systems & Assemblies, B.8: Building Materials & Assemblies

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. The course begins with two surveys: the first situates enclosures in a Historical/Social Survey and the second in a Technical Survey of Enclosure types (20% combined),
2. The criteria for enclosure design is developed to define the material logic of wrapping enclosures (20%)
3. Layered Enclosures (20%)
4. Technical Operations + Altering (20%)
5. Design Synthesis (20%).

Prerequisites: ARCH-5300

Textbooks/Learning Resources:

Offered (semester and year): fall semesters annually beginning in fall 2017.

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Demetrios Comodromos, Ajmal Aqtash

* For graduate students, this course is co-listed with ARCH-4560 beginning in fall 2017.
ARCH-5380: Professional Practice 1 (2 credits)

Course Description (limit 25 words): This course analyzes assemblies and occupancies of construction, building codes & regulations, sustainability, cost estimating, project management, legal responsibilities and professional conduct.

Course Goals and Objectives: ProPractice 1 explores how architects realize design projects—taking them from conception through development, documentation, and construction and the collateral efforts beyond pure design essential for successful projects. This requires investigation and proving understanding of/ability within legal, code/regulatory, professional, contractual, and stakeholder and marketplace environments, within which designs become buildings.


Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area)*:
1. Building Codes & Regulations & Technical Documentation – 50%
2. Sustainability Constructs in Professional Practice – 15%
3. Construction Cost Estimating – 20%
4. Professional Conduct, Legal Responsibilities and Project Management – 15%

*Items 1.-3. are intended to be comprehensively addressed, Item 4. fundamentals are intended to be introduced in ProPractice I; all correspond to the following categories: SPC B.3 - Codes and Regulations; SPC B.4 - Technical Documentation; SPC D.1 - Stakeholder Roles in Architecture; SPC D.2 - Project Management; SPC D.4 - Legal Responsibilities; SPC D.5 - Professional Conduct

Prerequisites: ARCH-4540 and ARCH-5380 co-requisites for ARCH-4300 [which will become ARCH-6630]*

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
Required:
Access to:
current online version of the 2010 International Building Code for New York State
Library reference:
1. The Architect's Studio Companion, by Allen and Iano
2. Architectural Building Codes, by James G. Scott
3. Construction Materials; Types, Uses and Applications, by Caleb Hornbostel

Offered (semester and year): fall and spring semesters annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Stephen F. Reilly

* ARCH-4300 and its relevant content will become ARCH-6630 beginning in fall 2016. ARCH-5380 is co-listed with ARCH-4540.
ARCH-6630: Graduate Architecture Design 5* (5 credits)

Course Description: A collaborative integrative technology-based design studio emphasizing materialization and making architectural design projects concerning program, environment, structure, life-safety, building envelope, materials and integrated building systems.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. Evaluate, select creatively, and employ materials and construction means to realize an architectural project in support of well conceived and articulated design intentions.
2. Integrate program, life safety, structure, building envelope, materials, building systems and technologies into an architectural design including, but not limited to the International Building Code (IBC), (ADA), environmental awareness and response, enclosure, lighting and HVAC.
3. Produce and organize an effective set of technical drawings utilizing a combination of analog and digital two and three-dimensional tools.
4. Reflect on integrated evaluation and analysis in the decision making process.


Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Diagramming and Conceptual Framing – 1 week (10%)
Bulk and Mass – 1 week (10%)
Principles of Life Safety, Universal Access and Code Analysis – 1 week (10%)
Programming – 1 week (10%)
Structural Systems – 1 week (10%)
Energy, Environment and Comfort – 1 week (10%)
Building Envelope – 1 week (10%)
Site Design and Development – 1 week (10%)
Materials and Systems – 1 week (10%)
Professional Practice(s) and Building Visits (NYC) – 3 days (10%)
Building Information Modeling – Integrated throughout
Technical Documentation and Outline Specification – Integrated throughout
Integrative Evaluations and Decision Making – Integrated throughout
Integrative Design – Integrated throughout

Prerequisites: ARCH-6620, ARCH-5150, ARCH-5360; ARCH-5380 is co-requisite

Textbooks/Learning Resources:
The Architect’s Studio Companion, Edward Allen and Joseph Iano
The Fundamentals of Building Construction-Materials and Methods, Edward Allen
Façade Construction Manual, Birkhauser
The International Building Code / 2010; A course reader – see full syllabus

Offered (semester and year): fall and spring semesters annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit):
S’14: Lonn Combs, Alexander Pincus; F’14: Ted Krueger, Ashmal Aqtash, Lauren Thomsen (BIM);
S’15:Mark Mistur, Erik Churchill, Lauren Thomsen (BIM); F’15: Mark Mistur, Erik Churchill, Lauren Thomsen (BIM); Michael Stein, P.E., and Will Laufs, P.E. (Bedford Engineering Professors)

* Comparable to and replaces ARCH-4300, Design Development [6cr], the final iteration of which is to be in spring 2016. ARCH-6630 will be co-listed with ARCH-4830
ARCH-6750: Final Project Research Seminar* (3 credits)

Course Description: This course provides students with an understanding of the theoretical and applied research methodologies and practices used during the architectural design process.

Course Goals and Objectives:
Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. demonstrate the capacity to obtain and evaluate content from readings on a variety of topics related to architectural history, theory, and design.
2. demonstrate effective research skills, including the ability to explore sources of knowledge external to the discipline of architecture.
3. demonstrate a working knowledge of the use of citations and attributions in scholarly writing and presentations.
4. demonstrate analytic ability through writing and diagramming.
5. demonstrate an ability to communicate arguments in lucid written prose.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): C.1: Research

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Readings: 35%
Topic/Formal Research: 45%
Final Presentation and Documentation of Topic/Formal Research: 20%

Prerequisites: ARCH-6620

Textbooks/Learning Resources: no textbooks. Readings will vary per individual seminar section / individual instructor.

Offered (semester and year): fall semesters annually beginning in 2016

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): N/A

*This course will first be offered in fall 2016 and will replace the current ARCH-6981. This course will be co-listed with ARCH-4910.
ARCH-6980: Master’s Project (fall semester)* (5 credits)

Course Description: This course enables third-year graduate students in the M. Arch program to develop a semi-independent design research project over the course of two consecutive semesters.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. demonstrate the ability to independently propose, refine, and develop a comprehensive design project.
2. demonstrate the capacity to engage in both research and design work in such a way that each are beneficial to the other.
3. demonstrate knowledge and mastery of the various issues, problems, and themes that inform the design project.
4. demonstrate analytic ability through writing, diagramming, and drawing.
5. demonstrate creative ability in the design and development of the project as well as a capacity to document and present their work in a clear and effective way.
6. demonstrate an ability to communicate arguments in lucid written prose.
7. demonstrate a working knowledge of the use of citations and attributions in scholarly writing and presentations.
8. demonstrate effective research skills, including the ability to explore sources of knowledge external to the discipline of architecture.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): none assigned to this course

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
- Topic Research: 20%
- Material / Formal Research: 20%
- Site Analysis: 30%
- Schematic Design: 30%

Prerequisites: ARCH-4300

Textbooks/Learning Resources: No textbooks. Readings vary per individual studio section.

Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually*

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Gustavo Crembil, Brian DeLuna, Carla Leitao, Ted Ngai, Stefano Passeri, Chris Perry

*This course is currently co-listed with ARCH-4980 but will be replaced in fall 2016 by ARCH-6630.
ARCH-6981: Methods Seminar* (1 credit)

Course Description: This course provides students with an understanding of the theoretical and applied research methodologies and practices used during the architectural design process.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. demonstrate the capacity to obtain and evaluate content from readings on a variety of topics related to architectural history, theory, and design.
2. demonstrate effective research skills, including the ability to explore sources of knowledge external to the discipline of architecture.
3. demonstrate a working knowledge of the use of citations and attributions in scholarly writing and presentations.
4. demonstrate analytic ability through writing and diagramming.
5. demonstrate an ability to communicate arguments in lucid written prose.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): C.1: Research

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Readings: 50%
Case Study(s) Analysis: 25%
Writing Assignment: 25%

Prerequisites: ARCH-4300, ARCH-6980 co-requisite.

Textbooks/Learning Resources: No textbooks. Assigned readings vary per year but have included the following:
Case Studies 1: Architectural “Theses” 1940-1978
Harvard’s GSD; Mies at IIT; Robert Venturi & Charles Moore at Princeton; Archigram/London County Council Architects’ Department; Wachsmann’s Universal Jig; Superstudio’s Continuous Monument; Koolhaas “Exodus”; Libeskind’s Micromegas.
Case Studies 2: Design “Theses” 1978-Present
Tschumi’s The Manhattan Transcripts; Daniel Libeskind, Chamber Works; Parc de la Villette (Tschumi, Koolhaas, et al.); Diller Scofidio, Blur Building,

Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually*

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Brendan Moran, Chris Perry, Lydia Xynogala,

* This course is co-listed with ARCH-4910. This course will be taught for the final time in fall 2015 and will be replaced with ARCH-6750 in fall 2016.
M. ARCH REQUIRED COURSES
3rd-YEAR SPRING SEMESTER
ARCH-5390: Professional Practice 2* (2 credits)

Course Description: This course includes practice topics required by: NAAB, Architectural Practice /Registration, Contracts, Collaboration, Ethics, Project Delivery, Architect’s Construction Role, Business Practices, Construction Scheduling and Costs

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who have completed this course successfully will be able to:
1. demonstrate a knowledge of the responsibilities of the architect to elicit, understand and reconcile the needs of the Client, Owner, User Groups and the public and community domains.
2. demonstrate a knowledge of the methods for competing for commissions, selecting consultants, assembling teams and recommending contractual project delivery methods.
3. demonstrate the ability to work effectively in teams through successful completion of class projects.
4. apply knowledge of the architects’ responsibility to the public and the client as determined by registration law, professional service contracts to specific situations.

Student Performance Criterion/addressed (list number and title):

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
1. Overview of the profession – 5%
2. Stakeholders roles in architecture – 10%
3. Legal aspects of the profession – 10%
4. Project management – 15%
5. Ethics and Professional Conduct – 10%
6. Business Models – 5%
7. Business Practices – 10%
8. Architect’s Role During Construction – 10%
9. Construction Scheduling and Financing – 5%
10. Marketing and Business Development – 10%
11. Project Delivery Methods – 5%
12. Alternative Careers in Architecture – 5%

Prerequisites: ARCH-5380

Textbooks/Learning Resources: Paul Segal, Professional Practice, A Guide to Turning Designs into Buildings

Offered (semester and year): fall semester annually

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Richard Peckham, John Pocorobba

*This graduate course is co-listed with ARCH-4550
ARCH-6948: Graduate Final Project* (5 credits)

Course Description: This course enables third-year graduate students in the M. Arch program to develop a semi-independent design research project over the course of two consecutive semesters.

Course Goals and Objectives:
Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. demonstrate the ability to independently propose, refine, and develop a comprehensive design project.
2. demonstrate the capacity to engage in both research and design work in such a way that each are beneficial to the other.
3. demonstrate knowledge and mastery of the various issues, problems, and themes that inform the design project.
4. demonstrate analytic ability through writing, diagramming, and drawing.
5. demonstrate creative ability in the design and development of the project as well as a capacity to document and present their work in a clear and effective way.
6. demonstrate an ability to communicate arguments in lucid written prose.
7. demonstrate a working knowledge of the use of citations and attributions in scholarly writing and presentations.
8. demonstrate effective research skills, including the ability to explore sources of knowledge external to the discipline of architecture.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): A.1: Professional Communication Skills, A.2: Design Thinking Skills, A.3: Investigative Skills, C.1: Research

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Schematic Design Development: 40% Representation (physical models and prototypes): 25%
Representation (drawings, diagrams, and renderings): 25%
Book formatting and printing: 10%

Prerequisites: ARCH-6630

Textbooks/Learning Resources: No textbooks. Readings will vary per individual studio section.

Offered (semester and year): This course will be offered in the spring beginning in 2017

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): N/A

* This one-semester course replaces the two-semester Master’s Project, ARCH-6980 and will be offered for the first time in spring 2017 and co-listed with ARCH-4920.
ARCH-6980: Master’s Project* (spring semester) (6 credits)

Course Description: This course enables third-year graduate students in the M. Arch program to develop a semi-independent design research project over the course of two consecutive semesters.

Course Goals and Objectives: Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:
1. demonstrate the ability to independently propose, refine, and develop a comprehensive design project.
2. demonstrate the capacity to engage in both research and design work in such a way that each are beneficial to the other.
3. demonstrate knowledge and mastery of the various issues, problems, and themes that inform the design project.
4. demonstrate analytic ability through writing, diagramming, and drawing.
5. demonstrate creative ability in the design and development of the project as well as a capacity to document and present their work in a clear and effective way.
6. demonstrate an ability to communicate arguments in lucid written prose.
7. demonstrate a working knowledge of the use of citations and attributions in scholarly writing and presentations.
8. demonstrate effective research skills, including the ability to explore sources of knowledge external to the discipline of architecture.

Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title): A.1: Professional Communication Skills, A.2: Design Thinking Skills, A.3: Investigative Skills, C.1: Research

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):
Topic Research: 20% Material / Formal Research: 20%
Site Analysis: 30%
Schematic Design: 30%

Prerequisites: ARCH-6980 (fall semester)

Textbooks/Learning Resources: no textbooks. Readings vary per individual studio section.

Offered (semester and year): spring semester annually*

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the four semesters prior to the visit): Gustavo Crembil, Brian DeLuna, Carla Leitao, Ted Ngai, Stefano Passeri, Chris Perry

* ARCH-4980 (fall & spring) is currently co-listed with ARCH-4980 & -4990 and will be replaced by ARCH-6948 in spring 2017 and co-listed with ARCH-4920.
Studio Culture Policy
STUDIO CULTURE POLICY - (8.19.2015 / Revision)

Introduction

Studio-based learning is the center of architectural education at Rensselaer. It is where a broad range of insight concerning the synthesis of history/theory, design, technology and best building practices specific to the education of the architect, is acquired and rigorously tested from one semester to the next. Studios are also where the primary guiding principles concerning collaborative teamwork, and ethical conduct essential to the profession, are honed and practiced.

At Rensselaer, project-based design studios form the core of a majority of our undergraduate and graduate programs, providing a place of synthesis, where knowledge and skill sets from a constellation of required and elective 2-4 credit courses provide context for the creative enterprise of the studio. Research, analysis, interpretation and criticism represent the developmental phases that bring together as a holistic project, a larger commitment to the integration of cultural, design, and professional considerations.

Faculty/student ratios (typically 1:12) throughout the design studios are mindful of the significant importance of providing as much contact time as possible between the instructor and the students. This favorable ratio in support of the program’s teaching / learning, results in a large numbers of one-on-one critiques, group discussions and public juries essential to a successful and meaningful studio setting.

Beyond the invaluable pedagogical contribution provided by the primary instructor associated with the studio, a community of internal and external educators and practitioners are invited on a continuous basis into the classroom as critics to provide a broad range of diverse perspectives essential to the ongoing development of the student projects. Strong communication skills are also promoted through the assessment of drawings, models, written text and public presentations as an invaluable attribute for the future success of any professional architect.

Studios provide the opportunity to capitalize on a variety of diverse learning modalities spanning: informal conversations, formal presentations, individual critiques, short- and long-term design exercises, and individual and collaborative research and design projects. Through a commitment to research as a critical inquiry, the ‘craft of making’ as an essential mode of discovery, a range of analog and digital techniques as a vital participatory platform, and iterative experimentation as an important strategy to expand the full range of design options available to a designer, the studios at Rensselaer are structured to promote critical thinkers, life-long learners and future leaders in the profession.
**Studio Setting** - Studios are furnished and equipped to promote teaching and learning between students and faculty at the scale of one-on-one critiques as well as group discussions. Sufficient space is allocated throughout the school for individual design research as well as specialized collaborative projects. The studio setting is interpreted as a broad and diverse nurturing community in support of open dialog, courteous manners, self-expression and peer-to-peer learning.

**Safety** – The health and safety of the student body represents a major priority for the faculty and administrative leadership in the School of Architecture. Only sanctioned materials that do not represent a health risk to the students are allowed to be used within the studio and/or school shop setting. There are also clear Safety Training policies and procedures associated with the use of materials and equipment in the school that are disseminated every year by the shop to the entire student body.

Note: Failure to comply with the school’s strict safety codes may result in an administrative action.

The school has a small spray booth on the basement level of the Greene building to accommodate for the increase of models that require painting from one semester to the next. For access to larger spray booth facilities, students are encouraged to take their models to The Jonsson Engineering Center (JEC) in the School of Engineering. In addition, the Institute has provided a new outdoor space near the Greene Building where spraypainting may be done safely and without marring the buildings or grounds.

**Disruptive Conduct** - Excessive noise (due to the use of power tools, music and/or loud speaking) or conduct that results in unreasonable annoyance is inappropriate and should be avoided at all times. The studio should be upheld as a productive, supportive and respectful communal environment.

**Studio Access + Late Night Safety Protocol** – The Greene Building, within which the entire School of Architecture is located, is open 24 hours a day with card access. Doors are locked to the public on weekends and between 6pm and 8am. Persons without access cards should not be permitted entry and reporting any unfamiliar persons in the building should be done by contacting Public Safety at 518-276-6656. Returning home at night should be done in groups. Students who intend to go home alone after hours and would prefer an escort, are encouraged to call Public Safety as well; a service which is available at no cost.

**Cleaning** — In order to maintain studios as effective, safe and clean workplaces, students should throw away all trash materials, food products, in the building’s designated trash dispensers. Additionally, it is important to keep the floor unobstructed of student models and general rubbish in anticipation of nightly staff sweeping.

**Collaborative work** - Studio provides an ideal opportunity to learn in a collaborative setting. Faculty should provide ample opportunity for teamwork and collaborative learning. Diverse opinions, points of view and approaches are welcome and should be treated with utmost respect. A similar courtesy should be extended to every member and visitor in the studio.
**Experimentation and Risk-Taking** - Studios at Rensselaer provide an ideal setting in support of experimentation and risk-taking. Faculty and students are encouraged to pursue this creative stance as a means to promote true discovery and innovation.

**Multiple Modes of Learning** – The culture of the school celebrates a broad range of pedagogical diversity, which in turn manifests in a multiplicity of different design techniques and material practices offered to the entire student body. Committed to the invaluable role of technology in the education of the architect, the multiple modes of learning include: analog techniques (i.e., manual drawing and model making), digital and fabrication technologies, and computation.

**Time Management** – The importance of assuming control over time management cannot be underestimated for students in the architecture program. The extraordinary amount of course work that requires continuous attention from one semester to the next, requires a high degree of curation on the part of every student in order to satisfy academic requirements and sustain a healthy lifestyle.

Allocating the proper time for one’s schoolwork, sleep and extra circular activities represents an ideal pathway for academic success, good health and personal growth. Students are encouraged to learn how to manage their time well in light of the complexities and demands of student life.

While the Dean approaches this important topic in great detail at the all-school meeting with all of the students and faculty present, as well as with his Dean’s Student Advisory Council every semester, and this issue is also addressed by student mentors and faculty advisors, ultimately it is the responsibility of each student to prepare a responsible personal schedule that yields positive results.

**Reviews** - Students are expected to attend and participate in their design studio pin-ups and official reviews throughout the course of the semester. Interpreted as an invaluable teaching and learning opportunity, these public events represent an essential component of the education of an architect. Structured as supportive and insightful forums of intellectual and creative exchange, students are encouraged to visit studios throughout the program in favor of broadening their perspective of the discipline.

**Assessment** – Studio performance assessment is achieved through table critiques, group discussions and official mid-term and final juries. Grade evaluations are confidential and should be provided at both the mid-point and conclusion of the semester. Although there are official time milestones where evaluations are communicated to each member of the student body, students may request on an individual basis an evaluation of their progress at any time.

**Archives** - Student work produced in the School of Architecture at Rensselaer is considered the property of the Institute. This material may be uploaded on the school’s website as well as exhibited and published for promotional purposes.

Students selected by their instructors every semester for potential inclusion in the all-school book, INFLUX, are responsible for arranging to have their models
photographed by the Publications Staff as well as uploading their digital files as per the submission requirements. Select models can be retained by the school without permission of the students, although arrangements under special circumstances can be made to return the models to the student author.

All students throughout the entire school are responsible for documenting their physical models for their portfolio as well as assuring that their digital files are properly backed up for future use. Establishing a comprehensive and high-quality archive of one’s design work should be a priority of every student.

STUDIO POLICY

In support of a vibrant studio culture:

1. **Studio Workplace** - Each student registered for studio will be assigned an accessible studio workplace with a complement of studio furniture and access to the Institute network, computing infrastructure, peripheral devices and the internet.

   **Status of Furniture** - The School will insure that studio spaces and furnishings are comfortable, safe, clean, convenient, and well equipped.

2. **Faculty Support** - Studio faculty will offer guidance to their respective students on how to properly arrange the furniture with respect to educational priorities, general communication, easy-access, and life-safety issues. Students are also encouraged, to use the studio outside of scheduled class hours.

3. **Studio Syllabi + Course Expectations** - All studio syllabi and project descriptions will contain specific information regarding project requirements and due dates. Faculty should: a) establish reasonable time frames and expectations for the completion of design projects, b) carefully monitor progress and be willing to modify requirements and due dates in light of extenuating circumstances, and c) be conscious and respectful of demands on student time in relation to other courses and extra-circular activities.

4. **Faculty Advisement** - Studio faculty and students are expected to be in studio during scheduled contact hours and should use the studio for work during non-studio hours. Faculty must include contact information on all studio handouts and have a clearly stated policy regarding availability to meet with students outside of studio time either by having posted office hours, or by appointment.

5. **Studio Grading** - All studio syllabi must specifically state how student work will be assessed, i.e., by indicating both the criteria and the percentage value for each assigned component. At or near mid-semester, faculty should provide students
with an evaluation of their performance and progress to date. At that time, students in danger of receiving a grade of D or below (C or below for graduate students) should receive a warning letter, a copy of which is forwarded to the student’s academic advisor. These grades should also be reported to the Institute’s Early Warning System (EWS).

6. **Core Studio Coordination** – Each semester, architecture faculty teaching the same student cohort will review and coordinate studio and non-studio course content and due dates. The 1st and 2nd years are most amenable to such coordination.

7. **Grade Appeal** - The School of Architecture has a formal process for appealing grades that is applicable to every course and design studio. The details of this process are available to every student through the Student Services Administrator, Lecia O’Dell.

In establishing our policies on design studio culture, we fully support and endorse the AIAS values of optimism, respect, sharing, engagement, and innovation.
Offsite Program Questionnaires
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Is attendance at the branch campus, additional site, teaching site, study abroad or online program required for completion of the NAAB-accredited degree program? B.Arch – Attendance not Required  M.Arch – Attendance Required

Who has administrative responsibility for the program at the branch campus? Anna Dyson, Director

To whom does this individual report? Evan Douglas, Dean

Where are financial decisions made? School of Architecture, Dean’s Office, Troy Campus

Who has responsibility for hiring faculty? Evan Douglas, Dean

Who has responsibility for rank, tenure, and promotion of faculty at the branch campus? Evan Douglas, Dean

Does the branch campus have its own curriculum committee? No

Does the branch campus have its own admissions committee? Not related to the B.Arch or M.Arch participants (B.Arch and M.Arch students attend one semester)

Does the branch campus have its own grievance committee? No

Does the branch campus have its own resources for faculty research and scholarship? Yes

Does the branch campus have its own AIAS or NOMAS chapter? No

Does the branch campus maintain its own membership in ACSA? No
The CENTER for ARCHITECTURE SCIENCE and ECOLOGY [CASE] is a Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Center co-located at the offices of SOM, New York. The Center houses the Ph.D. and Masters of Science in Architectural Sciences Built Ecologies concentration and associated research enterprise. It is focused on the design and development of next generation sustainable building systems. It maintains a student population of approximately 15 PhD and MS students whose studies are partly carried out downstate and partly upstate at the Troy campus. Each fall the Center is host to the first year M.Arch class where studio and seminar courses focus on environmental sustainability and performance based integrated design methodologies and systems in the context of SOM’s professional practice and a vibrant interdisciplinary research culture. Each spring select B.Arch students spend a semester of study at CASE in New York.
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Is attendance required for completion of the NAAB-accredited degree program? B.Arch – Attendance not Required

Who has administrative responsibility for the program at the branch campus? Francesco Bedeschi, Legal/Fiscal Representative Zbigniew Oksiuta (Program Director, RPI:F’15, rotating) Davide Vitale (Center Director, University of Arkansas)

To whom does this individual report? Francesco Bedeschi - Evan Douglis, Dean Zbigniew Oksiuta – Evan Douglis, Dean Davide Vitale – Peter MacKeith, Dean

Where are financial decisions made? School of Architecture, Dean’s Office, Troy Campus

Who has responsibility for hiring faculty? Evan Douglis, Dean

Who has responsibility for rank, tenure, and promotion of faculty? Davide Vitale – U. Ark Rome Center Faculty Evan Douglis, Dean – RPI Faculty

Does the branch campus have its own curriculum committee? No

Does the branch campus have its own admissions committee? No – participation is based on submission of a portfolio and academic performance through a selection committee process

Does the branch campus have its own grievance committee? No

Does the branch campus have its own resources for faculty research and scholarship? No

Does the branch campus have its own AIAS or NOMAS chapter? No

Does the branch campus maintain its own membership in ACSA? No
Additional Comments:

The Rome Center, administered by the University of Arkansas School of Architecture is host to their own students as well as programs and students from other NAAB accredited degree schools (Philadelphia, Auburn, Tennessee) as well as a variety of other programs including historic preservation and fashion. The Center has two full professors tenured by the University of Arkansas and several permanent and adjunct faculty hired by the Director. Schools participate in a variety of ways ranging from full reliance on the Rome Center and its faculty to deliver the program and content, to the role of host Institution. Rensselaer sends its own faculty member (rotating) who directs and is responsible for the program design, content and delivery. Teaching is supplemented by Jeffrey Blanchard, (Director of Cornell’s Rome Center and Study Program) who teaches Urban and Architectural History of Rome, Professor Emilio del Gesso (U. Ark, tenured) who teaches Art and Culture in Italy, and adjuncts associated with the Center who teach the elective Preservation and Contemporary Architecture of Rome courses.

The program is prefaced by required completion of two levels of Italian language, and an intensive 10-day language and culture introductory course. Roughly 12-13 weeks are spent in residence in Rome with two to three weeks of regional travel accompanied by faculty experts.
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Is attendance at the study abroad program required for completion of the NAAB-accredited degree program? B.Arch – Attendance not Required

Who has administrative responsibility for the program at the branch campus? David Bell, Program Director (rotating)

To whom does this individual report? Evan Dougis, Dean

Where are financial decisions made? School of Architecture, Dean’s Office, Troy Campus

Who has responsibility for hiring faculty? Evan Dougis, Dean – for RPI Director / faculty Anne Feenstra, Dean CEPT – for CEPT Faculty

Who has responsibility for rank, tenure, and promotion of faculty at the branch campus? Evan Dougis, Dean - for RPI faculty Anne Feenstra, Dean - for CEPT faculty

Does the branch campus have its own curriculum committee? Yes, however courses are determined in discussion between the RPI program director, RPI Dean and the Dean at CEPT

Does the branch campus have its own admissions committee? No – participation is based on submission of a portfolio and academic performance through a selection committee process

Does the branch campus have its own grievance committee? No

Does the branch campus have its own resources for faculty research and scholarship? No

Does the branch campus have its own AIAS or NOMAS chapter? No

Does the branch campus maintain its own membership in ACSA? No
Additional Comments:

The India program at Rensselaer’s School of Architecture is associated with CEPT University in Ahmedabad, India. Ahmedabad is a vibrant metropolis of 5 million inhabitants located in the northwestern part of India. It has a dry desert-like climate. Students in this program are immersed immediately in Indian culture while studying at CEPT University, which is one of the premier schools of architecture in India. It was founded in 1962 by Balkrishna Doshi, an internationally renowned architect, who at age 89 still maintains a thriving practice in Ahmedabad producing buildings and urban design of exceptional quality.

Rensselaer’s School of Architecture has had a relationship with CEPT for more than twenty years. This relationship involves CEPT’s acceptance of a small number of RPI students and one RPI faculty member in the spring semesters of odd-numbered years. In turn, RPI hosts a small group of CEPT students for a semester.

While the RPI group is in India, they take several extended field trips throughout India. Each trip encompasses about 7 – 10 days and altogether the travels account for about one month. These travels are effectively study travels as students have to keep a sketch diary as well as make written accounts of their experiences. India is a country of enormous diversity in terms of language, culture, and architecture. It has a rich and deep architectural history that has syncretized indigenous architectural practices with those of the Mughal conquerors and those that were part of the British Raj. With its independence, India was anxious to modernize and as a result has the most works by Le Corbusier of any country except France, Four of those buildings are in Ahmedabad as is Louis Kahn’s India Institute of Management. Ahmedabad is composed of an old town on the eastern banks of the Sabarmati River; it is made up of intimate neighborhoods, or pols. In contrast, the newer city, is on the west bank and has essentially grown up in the last 60 – 70 years. Ahmedabad was, and still is to a lesser degree, known for its textile mills. One of the textile owners, Kasturbhai Lalbhai endowed CEPT University. Our students benefit from having critiques and reviews with India architects and CEPT faculty. Their projects are situated in Ahmedabad and focus on the making connections between exiting urban fabric, new urban fabric, and the unique condition of Ahmedabad along the Sabarmati riverfront.
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| To whom does this individual report? | Evan Douglis, Dean |
| Where are financial decisions made? | School of Architecture, Dean’s Office, Troy Campus |
| Who has responsibility for hiring faculty? | Evan Douglis, Dean – RPI Director / faculty Tongji SoA Dean – Tongji Faculty |
| Who has responsibility for rank, tenure, and promotion of faculty at the branch campus? | Evan Douglis, Dean – RPI Director / faculty Tongji SoA Dean – Tongji Faculty |
| Does the branch campus have its own curriculum committee? | Yes, however courses are determined in discussion between the RPI program director, RPI Dean and the Dean at Tongji University School of Architecture |
| Does the branch campus have its own admissions committee? | No – participation is based on submission of a portfolio and academic performance through a selection committee process |
| Does the branch campus have its own grievance committee? | No |
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