



SDES2413 Spatial Design: Experimental Public Spaces

Term T2, 2019

Course Information

Units of Credit: 6

Course Overview

Course Description

This course introduces the foundational principles of public space design, exploring mind-body-environment relations as a system of networks, nodes, and pathways. In lectures intended to engage, inform and inspire, you will interrogate the concepts of movement, rest and meeting through diverse precedents, ranging from courtyard gardens and pocket parks to retail and exhibition spaces, city squares, and even entire cities.

In studio-based assignments you will respond to client briefs for innovative public space design, applying principles to practice. Through this process, you will learn to explore and communicate your proposals through drawings, including plans, sections and elevations, executed by hand and with digital software. In developing these skills you will also become familiar with professional opportunities open to spatial designers in the areas of urban design, landscape design, and exhibition design.

Course Learning Outcomes

On completion of this course, the student should be able to:

1. Critically evaluate a range of exterior and interior spaces.
2. Develop and communicate creative responses to client-driven spatial design briefs.
3. Develop drawing skills using digital and manual media.

Teaching and Learning in this Course

This course uses a variety of teaching approaches:

Blended/online

- Review - assessment tool
- Turnitin - originality checking
- Moodle - learning management system

Assessment

	TITLE	WEIGHTING	ASSESSMENT TYPE
Assessment Task 1	Macquarie Place Site Analysis	25%	Design Studio Work
Assessment Task 2	7-11 Park	45%	Design Studio Work
Assessment Task 3	Darlo Masterplan	30%	Design Studio Work

References for this Course

The Moodle site contains a set of reading resources and links to other learning materials.