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# **Course Syllabus**

# Revitalisation of Public Spaces in Historic Cities Based on Sustainable Development Principles

# 1. Course Information

- **Title**: Revitalization of Public Spaces in Historic Cities Based on Sustainable Development Principles
- Code: ARCH-MOOC
- Academic Year: 2025/2026
- **Degree**: Micro-credential, Training Course for bachelor's in Architecture Students and Graduates
- Branch: Engineering and Architecture
- **Module**: MOOC on Revitalization of Public Spaces in Historic Cities Based on Sustainable Development Principles
- Subject: Revitalization of Public Spaces in Historic Cities
- Year: Post-Grade
- Semester: 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup>
- **Type**: Elective
- ECTS Credits: 6
- Language: English, Italian, Polish, Spanish
- Mode: Mixed
  - Face-to-face and online for test version
  - Online self-paced for MOOC version

#### 2. Faculty

- Lead Professor: Professor Bogusław Szmygin
  - **Email**: xx
  - Office Hours:

#### 3. Prerequisites and/or Recommendations

Studies on Architecture, heritage protection and related disciplines.

#### 4. Brief Description of Contents

- Impact of climate change on historic public spaces.
- Introduction and use of green and blue infrastructures.
- Principles of sustainable and accessible design.
- Use of advanced digital tools for design projects.

#### **5.** Competencies

#### **General Competencies**

- GC01: Ability to analyse and synthesise.
- GC02: Organization and planning skills.
- **GC03**: Oral and written communication in the native language.
- GC04: Knowledge of a foreign language.
- GC05: Computer skills related to the field of study.
- GC06: Information management skills.
- GC07: Problem-solving skills.
- GC08: Decision-making skills.
- GC09: Teamwork skills.
- GC10: Interdisciplinary teamwork.
- GC11: Work in an international context.
- GC12: Interpersonal skills.
- GC13: Recognition of diversity and multiculturalism.
- **GC14**: Critical thinking.
- GC15: Ethical commitment.
- GC16: Autonomous learning.
- GC17: Adaptation to new situations.
- GC18: Creativity.
- GC19: Leadership.
- GC20: Knowledge of other cultures and customs.

#### Specific Competencies

- SC01: Ability to develop functional programs for sustainable urban spaces.
- **SC02**: Adequate knowledge of general theories of form, composition, and urban and architectural types.

- **SC03**: Ability to conceive, practice, and develop urban projects and urban planning.
- **SC04**: Ability to intervene in and conserve, restore, and rehabilitate built heritage.
- **SC05**: Ability to design and execute urban layouts and projects for urbanization, gardening, and landscape.
- **SC06**: Adequate knowledge of ecology, sustainability, and principles of energy and environmental resource conservation.

#### 6. Learning Outcomes (Objectives)

- Understand the impact of climate change on historic public spaces.
- Develop sustainable solutions through the implementation of green and blue infrastructures.
- Use advanced digital tools for the design and presentation of projects.
- Create and present a short video on a design project focused on climate adaptation of a historic public space.
- Evaluate case studies and apply best practices in design projects.

# 7. Theoretical and Practical Content Program

#### Theoretical

# 1. Functional Organization of Public Spaces in Historic Cities

- Impact of climate change on public spaces.
- Climate environment analysis techniques.
- Case studies and good practices from European cities.

# 2. Introduction of Green and Blue Infrastructures

- Nature-based solutions (NBS).
- Implementation of green and blue infrastructures in urban environments.
- Design of sustainable urban landscapes.

# 3. Sustainable Equipment of Public Spaces

- Use of sustainable and biodegradable materials
- Design of sustainable equipment solutions.
- Principles of sustainable development applied to public spaces.
- Inclusive and accessible design.

#### Practical

#### 1. Group Projects

- Design and development of public space revitalisation projects.
- Implementation of green and blue infrastructures in design projects.
- Group project presentations and evaluations.

#### 2. Workshops

- Practical workshops on urban design and planning.
- Visits to historical sites to analyse real cases.
- Practical evaluations and group discussions on projects.

# 3. Documentary Video

- Creation of a short video documenting the design project.
- Editing and presentation of the final video.

#### 8. Teaching Methodology

- **TM01**: Lecture/expository lesson.
- TM02: Discussion and debate sessions.
- **TM03**: Problem-solving and case study analysis.
- TM07: Seminars.
- TM08: Simulation exercises.
- **TM09**: Analysis of sources and documents.
- TM10: Group work.
- **TM11**: Individual work.

# **9.** Assessment (Evaluation Instruments, Evaluation Criteria and Percentage of the Final Grade)

Regular Assessment on Face-to-face and online version of the CourseRegular Assessment

- EI-I1: Written Tests: 20%
  - Essay, short answer, and objective exams.
- **EI-I2: Oral Tests**: 20%
  - Presentation of individual or group work, interviews, and debates.
- EI-I3: Design Projects: 40%
  - Design proposals, digital models, and oral presentations.
- EI-I4: Workshop Participation: 20%
  - Active participation and teamwork.

#### **Evaluation Criteria**:

- Mastery of theoretical and practical contents.
- Quality and clarity in the presentation of work.
- Level of involvement and participation in activities and debates.
- Minimum attendance of 80% to classes and workshops.

#### Special Assessment on Online self-paced for MOOC version

- SA-I1: Written Tests: 40%
  - Multiple-choice test.
- SA-I2: Design Projects, collaborative assessment: 30%
  - Design proposals, digital models, and oral presentations.
- SA-I3: Workshop Participation, collaborative assessment: 30%
  - Active participation and teamwork.

#### **Evaluation Criteria**:

- Mastery of theoretical and practical contents.
- Quality and clarity in the presentation of work.
- Level of involvement and participation in activities and debates.

#### **10. Bibliography**

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