## Module Catalogue Architecture and Cities Postgraduate Study Abroad 2025/6 Semester 1

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## Architecture

### Space and Identity: Design Project

[**Module Code: 7ARCH026W**](#7ARCH026W_return)

**Level 7**

**Semester 1**

**Location: Marylebone**

**UK Credit Value: 20**

Portfolio required.   
The aim of the module is to introduce students to the notion of ‘culturally sensitive and critical designer’ within critical theory and design. This will be done through a series of lectures / seminars + design workshops to serve as a broad introduction to key concepts in design (both classic and contemporary) within the disciplines of both architecture and cultural studies that relate to issues of cultural identity and globalisation. A significance component of the module will include a proposition/design to the theme of space and identity. The ultimate objective of the module is to inspire and stimulate participants to explore broad themes within the subject area and, through an elective element, begin to identify their own themes of interest to explore beyond the module.  
**Assessment:** Portfolio (80%), Presentation (20%)

### Theories of Critical Practices in Architecture

[**Module Code: 7ARCH027W**](#7ARCH027W_return)

**Level 7**

**Semester 1**

**Location: Marylebone**

**UK Credit Value: 20**

Portfolio required.   
This module introduces the student to major theoretical issues that are facing contemporary architectural practice across the world. The intention is for students to identify subjects and themes that they will develop in subsequent modules and through the Major Thesis Project. The module is taught by a series of lectures, seminars and oral presentation sessions by students.  
**Assessment:** Presentation (25%), Essay (75%)

## Interior Architecture

### Decoding the Interior

[**Module Code: 7AIDE002W**](#7AIDE002W_return)

**Level 7**

**Semester 1**

**Location: Marylebone**

**UK Credit Value: 20**

Portfolio required.   
The module will present major developments in Western Architecture and design from the Enlightenment to present day. It will introduce students to cultural theory and critical analysis and develop a sophisticated understanding of interior space and its depiction. The module will provide an introduction to the theory of subjectivity and its relationship to the realm of interiority.   
**Assessment:** Presentation (35%), Coursework (65%)

## International Planning and Sustainable Development

### Planning for Urban Risk and Resilience

[**Module Code: 7PLAN010W**](#7PLAN010W_return)

**Level 7**

**Semester 1**

**Location: Marylebone**

**UK Credit Value: 20**

Portfolio required.   
Cities and their populations everywhere are facing a future of growing uncertainty and vulnerability. Planning frameworks and strategies will need to be adaptable to this growing risk. This module looks at spatial planning and urban design for risk management. It addresses reducing vulnerability and building urban resilience as it relates to longer-term climate change and other environmental threats, associated economic and political risks, public health and development needs. The module integrates sustainable development and climate change mitigation and adaptation concerns with disaster planning and urban risk management.  
**Assessment:** Coursework (50%), Coursework (50%)

### Planning in a Globalising World

[**Module Code: 7PLAN011W**](#7PLAN011W_return)

**Level 7**

**Semester 1**

**Location: Marylebone**

**UK Credit Value: 20**

Portfolio required.   
Spatial planning for sustainable development in a range of development contexts, examining dynamic tensions between economic globalisation and local and national factors (developed and developing worlds; high, middle and low-income countries). Analyses key policy concerns, dynamics of urban and regional change and spatial planning responses comparatively and internationally, across different types of city and region.  
**Assessment:** Coursework (10%), Coursework (25%), Essay (65%)

## Planning

### Sustainable Cities and Neighbourhoods

[**Module Code: 7PLAN019W**](#7PLAN019W_return)

**Level 7**

**Semester 1**

**Location: Marylebone**

**UK Credit Value: 20**

An introduction to the concepts and ideas of sustainability, resillience, and climate action in urban development. Key debates on planning sustainable cities and neighbourhoods. Contemporary issues surrounding the theory and practice of sustainable development. Interdisciplinary and disciplinary discussions on the practice and implementation of sustainable development in planning and design. Development of key study and professional skills (e.g. critical thinking and analysis, site analysis, sustainability appraisal, teamwork, as well as written and visual presentation skills).   
**Assessment:** Essay (50%), Coursework Practical (50%)

## Transport

### Strategic Logistics and Supply Chain Management

[**Module Code: 7TRAN016W**](#7TRAN016W_return)

**Level 7**

**Semester 1**

**Location: Marylebone**

**UK Credit Value: 20**

This module provides the foundation for studying logistics, ensuring that students are aware of the components of the logistics system and how they interact with each other to influence the design and operation of supply chains. It focuses on the aspects of logistics operations that tend to be directly within the control of companies.  
**Assessment:** Coursework (100%)

### Sustainable Logistics and Supply Chains

[**Module Code: 7TRAN026W**](#7TRAN026W_return)

**Level 7**

**Semester 1**

**Location: Marylebone**

**UK Credit Value: 20**

This module is focused on the study of sustainability and green logistics, with a particular emphasis on freight transport. The first part of the module provides the context for sustainable supply chains, examining the business and public policy reasons for attempting to address sustainability issues, and examining how sustainability impacts are measured, monitored and reported. The second part of the module focuses on the freight transport element of supply chain management, looking at the strategic, operational and public policy perspectives.  
**Assessment:** Coursework (100%)

### Transport Economics

[**Module Code: 7TRAN028W**](#7TRAN028W_return)

**Level 7**

**Semester 1**

**Location: Marylebone**

**UK Credit Value: 20**

Through this module, you will examine the application of relevant economic principles to the transport sector, including fundamental topics of transport economics, and new frontiers in the field, as well as taking equality, diversity and inclusion (EDI - transport-related social equity) into consideration across the module. Topics you will explore include travel demand, pricing and supply of transport, investment in transport, economic and environmental appraisal of transport, transport markets, transport modelling, and the wider economic impacts of transport. A field trip will also be carried out for students to better understand the function of sustainable transport planning, investment and infrastructure development.   
**Assessment:** Presentation Group (30%), In-Class Test/Assignment exam conditions (70%)

## Urban and Regional Planning

### Planning Theory and Practice 1

[**Module Code: 7PLAN012W**](#7PLAN012W_return)

**Level 7**

**Semester 1**

**Location: Marylebone**

**UK Credit Value: 20**

Key historical and contemporary debates in planning theory and practice. Key urban planning paradigms and concepts (e.g. sustainability). Relationships between planning, politics, society, and the economy. Principles of UK planning system & UK planning law. Planning systems/cultures in an international perspective. Basics of plan-making and development management/control. Study skills (e.g. critical reading & thinking; essay writing; use of sources and referencing).   
**Assessment:** Essay (50%), Examination - closed book (50%)

## Urban Design

### Urban Form and Growth

[**Module Code: 7PLAN034W**](#7PLAN034W_return)

**Level 7**

**Semester 1**

**Location: Marylebone**

**UK Credit Value: 20**

Portfolio required.   
This module concerns the physical and spatial form of cities at the urban design scale, realised in various geographical or historic contexts, exploring the basic fabric of urban form: buildings, streets and spaces together with the with forces that shape them, how they differ globally, the regulatory contexts, how they provide physical environment to enable activities and livelihoods and how this can influence urban design and planning. Students learn key theoretical approaches to urban morphology, tissue studies, typo-morphological investigations, spatial development patterns, historic development, graphic methods, spatial analysis and various forms and manifestations of the physical built environment of cities.  
**Assessment:** Presentation Group (30%), Essay (70%)

### The Dynamic City: Urban Design and Planning in Context

[**Module Code: 7PLAN036W**](#7PLAN036W_return)

**Level 7**

**Semester 1**

**Location: Marylebone**

**UK Credit Value: 20**

Portfolio required.   
Based on practical design project enables students to gain an insight into the relationship between urban design theory, practice and local context. Students investigate the city as networks and adjacencies; the intricate dynamics of movement, activity, information, ecology and social interactions that frame the context of urban design interventions.  
**Assessment:** Coursework Group (50%), Project (50%)

### Place and Experience in Design of Urban Spaces

[**Module Code: 7PLAN038W**](#7PLAN038W_return)

**Level 7**

**Semester 1**

**Location: Marylebone**

**UK Credit Value: 20**

Portfolio required.   
This is a project-based module that examines the form, use and experience of public space and the notions of perception, identity, diversity, place, place making and place shaping. Projects are used to critically assess the character of urban spaces and propose responsive design interventions. The understanding of the use and experience of these spaces is supported by lectures and selected readings of key thinkers in the field.  
**Assessment:** Project (70%), Coursework (30%)