The University continues to expand its offerings related to the built environment. These courses span a wide range of departments and ways of working/thinking; sometimes it’s hard to differentiate between available courses, or even find them. We hope this (inevitably incomplete) guide may serve as a useful starting point.

Built Environment Course Types

**Architectural studies:** courses focusing on buildings and groupings of buildings, from any time or place. May deal with how buildings get designed, or with how people respond to and use them, or both. Emphasis on reading, looking, writing. Some courses may also include some limited visual exercises, such as making analytic diagrams.

**Architecture design studios:** creative studio courses in which students are guided to produce their own architectural designs around a particular purpose or theme.

**Urban studies:** courses focusing on how people live in cities. May focus on the environmental or social aspects of cities alone – e.g., demography, politics, economics, policy, ecology, planning processes – or examine both city dwellers and their physical built environment. These courses may be essay-based, or project-based (e.g. some visual exercises, such as an analysis of or proposal for an urban area).

**Urban design studios:** creative studio courses in which students are guided to produce their own designs for planning or reorganizing a city or part of one.

**Thematic courses:** courses, for example, in the literature or cinema of a particular city, taking the built environment as part of the subject matter.

**Skill-Building Courses:** courses that teach relevant technical skills (e.g. GIS).

It may be useful to email instructors (whose CNET IDs are listed with course names) to seek more info about how courses engage the built environment.

Some Places to Look for Courses

**Majors:** Anthropology, Art History, English, Environmental & Urban Studies, Geography, History, Sociology, Visual Art,...

**Minors:** Architectural Studies, Environmental & Urban Studies

**Course Clusters:** Chicago Studies (also offers a certificate), Urban Design

**Special Programs:** Chicago Studies Quarter (spring), some Study Abroad programs.

For more info on specific course areas, you may contact:

**Katherine Taylor** (Art History) / k-taylor@ Professor; Faculty Advisor, Arch. Studies Minor

**Emily Talen** / talen@ Professor, Environmental & Urban Studies Courses

**Sabina Shaikh** (Env. & Urb. Studies) / sabina@ Director, Envir. & Urban Studies Major and Minor

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**NOTE** for Arch. Studies minors: you may count one GIS course (not all three) toward program.

† These 100-level courses may be taken for Architectural Studies minor credit or core credit but NOT both.

* This course may be taken for Architectural Studies minor credit and has an ARCH number.
SPRING 2020 COURSES
N.B. May not be complete…

[Re]Branding the Balkan City*
REES 21300 | Nada Petkovic (petkovic)

Geographic Information Science III*
GEOG 28602 | Marynia Kolak (mkolak@)

Urban Dramas: Theater, Performance and the City*
TAPS 20200 | Sharvari Sastry (sharvarisastry@)

Rome: The Eternal City*
HIST 16603 | Margaret Andrews (margaretandrews@)

Jews and the City*
JWSC 12002 | Anna Band (aband@)

The Aspirational City: Chicago’s Multicultural…
CRES 27534 | Julius Jones (jljones2@)

Urban Ecology in the Calumet Region
ENST 27325 | Alison Anastasio (aea@)

Cities and Urban Space in the Ancient World*
HIST 20805 | Margaret Andrews (margaretandrews@)

Troy and Its Legacy*
HIST 20404 | Margaret Andrews (margaretandrews@)

Physics and Contemporary Architecture*†
PHSC 11800 | Heinrich Jaeger (jaeger@)

Sustainable Urban Development
ENST 20150 | Evan Carver (ehc@)

Sustainable Urbanism in Context
ENST 27101 | Evan Carver (ehc@)

Planning for Land and Life*
ENST 27103 | Mark Bouman (No CNET yet)