

COURSE OUTLINE

Introduction to Urban Design & Town Planning - Studio I

School: School of Law and Society

2023 Semester 1

UniSC Sunshine Coast

BLENDED LEARNING Most of your course is on campus but you may be able to do some components of this course online.

Please go to usc.edu.au for up to date information on the teaching sessions and campuses where this course is usually offered.

1. What is this course about?

1.1. Description

This course will introduce you to the underlying theories and principles of urban design and town planning. It seeks to equip you with the foundation knowledge, language and visualisation skills required for understanding the planning and design of environmentally sustainable, economically viable, safe and resilient communities. The course and its content will allow you to better understand how planning and design principles and practices have developed overtime, including the implications of ethics within the planning profession and an examination of future directions.

1.2. How will this course be delivered?

ACTIVITY	HOURS	BEGINNING WEEK	FREQUENCY
BLENDED LEARNING			
Tutorial/Workshop 1 – On campus studio workshop - 3 hours per week	3hrs	Week 1	13 times

1.3. Course Topics

- Key concepts in Town Planning and Urban Design
- Town Planning and Urban Design history
- Urban Infrastructure and Development
- Town Planning and Urban Design processes
- Understanding place
- Introduction to Sketch Up

2. What level is this course?

100 Level (Introductory)

Engaging with discipline knowledge and skills at foundational level, broad application of knowledge and skills in familiar contexts and with support. Limited or no prerequisites. Normally, associated with the first full-time study year of an undergraduate program.

3. What is the unit value of this course?

12 units

4. How does this course contribute to my learning?

COU	RSE LEARNING OUTCOMES	GRADUATE QUALITIES
Ons	successful completion of this course, you should be able to	Completing these tasks successfully will contribute to you becoming
1	Develop an understanding of key definitions, concepts and design skills in urban design and town planning	Knowledgeable Empowered
2	Identify and use current knowledge, evidence, concepts and theory related to urban design and town planning	Knowledgeable Empowered
3	Appraise and comment on urban design and town planning as it relates to social, ecological and economic outcomes	Empowered Sustainability-focussed

5. Am I eligible to enrol in this course?

Refer to the UniSC Glossary of terms for definitions of "pre-requisites, co-requisites and anti-requisites".

5.1. Pre-requisites

Not applicable

5.2. Co-requisites

Not applicable

5.3. Anti-requisites

Not applicable

5.4. Specific assumed prior knowledge and skills (where applicable)

Not applicable

6. How am I going to be assessed?

6.1. Grading Scale

Standard Grading (GRD)

High Distinction (HD), Distinction (DN), Credit (CR), Pass (PS), Fail (FL).

6.2. Details of early feedback on progress

Reflection and review of all content is encouraged in weekly interactive tutorials, and feedback will be given in class.

6.3. Assessment tasks

DELIVERY MODE	TASK NO.	ASSESSMENT PRODUCT	INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP	WEIGHTING %	WHAT IS THE DURATION / LENGTH?	WHEN SHOULD I SUBMIT?	WHERE SHOULD I SUBMIT IT?
All	1	Quiz/zes	Individual	25%	90 minutes	Week 4	Online Test (Quiz)
All	2	Report	Individual	40%	A3 illustrated portfolio; word limit: 2500 +/-10%	Week 7	Online Assignment Submission with plagiarism check
All	3	Portfolio	Individual	35%	A3 or A2 illustrated portfolio.	Week 13	Online Submission

All - Assessment Task 1: Online Quiz

GOAL:	To allow you to demonstrate and evaluate your own knowledge and understanding of key concepts, definitions, language and theories relevant to urban design and town planning.					
PRODUCT:	Quiz/zes					
FORMAT:	Quiz					
CRITERIA:	No.	Learning Outcome				
	Ability to correctly identify and apply terminology, knowledge, concepts and theories related to urban design and town planning.	12				
	2 Accuracy of your answers.	3				
	3 Assessment criteria are mapped to the course learning outcomes.	123				
GENERIC SKILLS:	Problem solving					
II - Assessn	nent Task 2: Planning report and design concepts					
GOAL:	To enable you to apply and interpret regional and urban planning and design data and information through the use of a case study. This project will also enable you to think through possibilities and contraints for urban development					
PRODUCT:	Report					
FORMAT:	Case study analysis resulting in a visual (photos and illustrations) and written report.					
CRITERIA:	No.	Learning Outcome				
	1 Accuracy of you answers.	123				
	2 Clarity in conveying the implications of regional and urban planning zoning and data layers.	23				
	3 Ability to identify the range of relevant planning issues as they relate to your case study.	23				
	4 Quality of syntax and mechanics, including the layout and presentation of the report.	3				
GENERIC SKILLS:	Communication, Collaboration, Organisation, Information literacy					
II - Assessn	nent Task 3: Urban Planning and Design proposal					
GOAL:	To enable you to visually communicate your design ideas through a set of diagrams, drawings and	visuals.				
PRODUCT:	Portfolio					
FORMAT:	Portfolio					
CRITERIA:	No.	Learning Outcome				
	Clear contextualisation of the site and its opportunities and constraints	123				
	Appropriate development of the chosen concept into a design proposal	23				
	3 Completeness of analysis and drawings to communicate urban planning and design ideas	23				
	4 Quality of presentation (including layout and spelling)	3				

7. Directed study hours

A 12-unit course will have total of 150 learning hours which will include directed study hours (including online if required), self-directed learning and completion of assessable tasks. Student workload is calculated at 12.5 learning hours per one unit.

8. What resources do I need to undertake this course?

Please note: Course information, including specific information of recommended readings, learning activities, resources, weekly readings, etc. are available on the course Canvas site—Please log in as soon as possible.

8.1. Prescribed text(s) or course reader

There are no required/recommended resources for this course.

8.2. Specific requirements

Nil

9. How are risks managed in this course?

Health and safety risks for this course have been assessed as low. It is your responsibility to review course material, search online, discuss with lecturers and peers and understand the health and safety risks associated with your specific course of study and to familiarise yourself with the University's general health and safety principles by reviewing the online induction training for students, and following the instructions of the University staff.

10. What administrative information is relevant to this course?

10.1. Assessment: Academic Integrity

Academic integrity is the ethical standard of university participation. It ensures that students graduate as a result of proving they are competent in their discipline. This is integral in maintaining the value of academic qualifications. Each industry has expectations and standards of the skills and knowledge within that discipline and these are reflected in assessment.

Academic integrity means that you do not engage in any activity that is considered to be academic fraud; including plagiarism, collusion or outsourcing any part of any assessment item to any other person. You are expected to be honest and ethical by completing all work yourself and indicating in your work which ideas and information were developed by you and which were taken from others. You cannot provide your assessment work to others. You are also expected to provide evidence of wide and critical reading, usually by using appropriate academic references.

In order to minimise incidents of academic fraud, this course may require that some of its assessment tasks, when submitted to Canvas, are electronically checked through Turnitin. This software allows for text comparisons to be made between your submitted assessment item and all other work to which Turnitin has access.

10.2. Assessment: Additional Requirements

Eligibility for Supplementary Assessment

Your eligibility for supplementary assessment in a course is dependent of the following conditions applying:

The final mark is in the percentage range 47% to 49.4%

The course is graded using the Standard Grading scale

You have not failed an assessment task in the course due to academic misconduct.

10.3. Assessment: Submission penalties

Late submission of assessment tasks may be penalised at the following maximum rate:

- 5% (of the assessment task's identified value) per day for the first two days from the date identified as the due date for the assessment task
- 10% (of the assessment task's identified value) for the third day
- 20% (of the assessment task's identified value) for the fourth day and subsequent days up to and including seven days from the date identified as the due date for the assessment task.
- A result of zero is awarded for an assessment task submitted after seven days from the date identified as the due date for the assessment task. Weekdays and weekends are included in the calculation of days late. To request an extension you must contact your course coordinator to negotiate an outcome.

10.4. SafeUniSC

UniSC is committed to a culture of respect and providing a safe and supportive environment for all members of our community. For immediate assistance on campus contact SafeUniSC by phone: 0754301168 or using the SafeZone app. For general enquires contact the SafeUniSC team by phone 0754563864 or email safe@usc.edu.au.

The SafeUniSC Specialist Service is a Student Wellbeing service that provides free and confidential support to students who may have experienced or observed behaviour that could cause fear, offence or trauma. To contact the service call <u>07 5430 1226</u> or email <u>studentwellbeing@usc.edu.au</u>.

10.5. Study help

For help with course-specific advice, for example what information to include in your assessment, you should first contact your tutor, then your course coordinator, if needed.

If you require additional assistance, the Learning Advisers are trained professionals who are ready to help you develop a wide range of academic skills. Visit the <u>Learning Advisers</u> web page for more information, or contact Student Central for further assistance: +61 7 5430 2890 or <u>studentcentral@usc.edu.au</u>.

10.6. Wellbeing Services

Student Wellbeing provide free and confidential counselling on a wide range of personal, academic, social and psychological matters, to foster positive mental health and wellbeing for your academic success.

To book a confidential appointment go to Student Hub, email studentwellbeing@usc.edu.au or call 07 5430 1226.

10.7. AccessAbility Services

Ability Advisers ensure equal access to all aspects of university life. If your studies are affected by a disability, learning disorder mental health issue, injury or illness, or you are a primary carer for someone with a disability or who is considered frail and aged, AccessAbility Services can provide access to appropriate reasonable adjustments and practical advice about the support and facilities available to you throughout the University.

To book a confidential appointment go to Student Hub, email AccessAbility@usc.edu.au or call 07 5430 2890.

10.8. Links to relevant University policy and procedures

For more information on Academic Learning & Teaching categories including:

- Assessment: Courses and Coursework Programs
- · Review of Assessment and Final Grades
- Supplementary Assessment
- · Central Examinations
- Deferred Examinations
- Student Conduct
- · Students with a Disability

For more information, visit https://www.usc.edu.au/explore/policies-and-procedures#academic-learning-and-teaching

10.9. Student Charter

UniSC is committed to excellence in teaching, research and engagement in an environment that is inclusive, inspiring, safe and respectful. The <u>Student Charter</u> sets out what students can expect from the University, and what in turn is expected of students, to achieve these outcomes.

10.10.General Enquiries

In person:

- UniSC Sunshine Coast Student Central, Ground Floor, Building C, 90 Sippy Downs Drive, Sippy Downs
- UniSC Moreton Bay Service Centre, Ground Floor, Foundation Building, Gympie Road, Petrie
- UniSC SouthBank Student Central, Building A4 (SW1), 52 Merivale Street, South Brisbane
- o UniSC Gympie Student Central, 71 Cartwright Road, Gympie
- UniSC Fraser Coast Student Central, Student Central, Building A, 161 Old Maryborough Rd, Hervey Bay
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