

Course Title	Code	Semester	Hour (T+P)	Credit	ECTS
Architectural Criticism	ARCH224	3	2+0	2	3
Prerequisites	-				
Language of Instruction	English				
Course Type (Required / elective)	Elective				
Course Coordinator	Assist. Prof. Dr. Hatice Işıl UYSAL				
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Assistants	-				

Goals	The course aims to explore critical methodologies and understand architectural criticism through analyzing and interpreting architectural environments.		
Learning Outcomes	1. Critical thinking skills. 2. Ability to analyze elements and subjects of architecture. 3. Knowhow about methodologies and tools of architectural criticism.		
Course Content	The course will cover methodologies, subjects and tools of architectural criticism. The emphasis of the course will be on material, social, cultural and representational contexts of architecture.		
Assessment Criteria	Assessment Components		
	Midterm Grade	4 assignments	20%
		Midterm submission	20%
	Final Grade	4 assignments	20%
		Final submission	40%
Course success-Total		100%	

WEEKLY TOPICS AND PREPARATIONS			
The weekly topics and reading resources are subject to change according to the instructor's preferences.			
Weeks	Dates	Topics	Initial Studies
Week 1	02.10.2023	Introduction: Being critical In-class& Assignment-1	
Week 2	09.10.2024	Reading on architectural criticism	
Week 3	16.10.2024	Elements of architecture	
Week 4	23.10.2024	Assignment-2	
Week 5	30.10.2024	Discussions on surfaces and spatialities Assignment-3	
Week 6	06.11.2024	Methodologies of criticism	
Week 7	13.11.2024	Assignment-4	
Week 8	20.11.2024	Midterm Submission	
Week 9	27.11.2024	Subjects of architectural criticism	
Week 10	04.12.2024	In-class& Assignment-5	
Week 11	11.12.2024	Tools for architectural criticism Assignment-6	
Week 12	18.12.2024	Documentation& observation, evaluation& interpretation	
Week 13	25.12.2024	Constructing a critical approach Assignment-7	
Week 14	01.01.2025		
Week 15	08.01.2025	Constructing a critical approach Assignment-8	
TBA		Final Submission	

REFERENCES

Main Textbooks

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Secondary Textbooks

- +Frampton, Kenneth. 1995. Studies in Tectonic Culture. The MIT Press.
- +Gibson, James. 1979. The Ecological Approach to Visual Perception. Psychology Press.
- +Harrison, Ariane Lourie. 2013. Architectural Theories of the Environment: Posthuman Territory. Routledge.
- +Norberg-Schulz, Christian. 1979. Genius Loci: Towards a Phenomenology of Architecture. Rizzoli.
- +Unwin, Simon. 2009. Analysing Architecture. Routledge.
- +Zevi, Bruno. 1957. Architecture as Space: How to Look at Architecture. Da Capo Press.

ECTS / WORKING HOUR TABLE

Activities	Number of Weeks	Duration (Hour)	Working Hours
Duration of Course (Including Exams: 15 x Total Weekly Course Hour)	15	2	30
Extracurricular Working Hour (Preparatory Work, Review, Internet studies etc.)	15	2	30
Homeworks and Presentations	6	3	18
Midterm	1	6	6
Final Exam	1	6	6
Working Hours in Total			90
Working Hours in Total / 30			90/ 30
ECTS			3