

Marmara University	Faculty of Architecture and Design	Department of Architecture	2026-2027 Fall Semester
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ARCH1015	Architectural Excursions	Assist. Prof. Hatice Işıl Uysal
Semester: 1, 3 ARCH-DE1 ARCH-DE2	ECTS: 5	Hour (T+P): 2+1
Course Type (Required / Elective): Elective	Language of Instruction: English	Instructor e-mail: isil.uysal@marmara.edu.tr
Prerequisites: NONE	Course Program: Wednesday 14.00-16.50	

Course Goals	The aim of the course is to facilitate students to interact closely and directly with the architecture in their own environment, enabling them to observe, investigate, interpret and analyse it. It aims to raise questions about various architectural contexts through a variety of encounters.	
Course Content	Environmental issues are examined from a variety of perspectives, particularly from social, cultural, and historical points of view. The course will be conducted on excursions and visits, and it will investigate the architectural layers in both urban and rural places through case studies. This multi-stakeholder training incorporates debates, seminars, and practical lessons.	
Learning& Teaching Activities& Methods	seminars, excursions, visits, presentations, discussions, in-class works, assignments, practices	
Learning Outcomes	1	To give a perspective on the relationship between architecture and urban and rural environments
	2	To be able to interpret social, cultural and historical environments as architectural layers
	3	To provide an understanding of architectural and environmental diversity
	4	To be able to analyse the architectural environment
	5	To be able to examine and assess the connection between architecture and environment
Suggested Sources	Careri, Francesco. 2002. Walkscapes: Walking as an Aesthetic Practice. Culicidae Architectural Press. Coverley, M. 2018. Psychogeography. Oldcastle Books. Gehl, Jan. 2010. Cities for People. Island Press. Gibson, James. 1979. The Ecological Approach to Visual Perception. Psychology Press. Solnit, Rebecca. 2000. Wanderlust: History of Walking. Penguin Books. Unwin, Simon. 2014. Analysing Architecture. Routledge. Zevi, Bruno. 1957. Architecture as Space: How to Look at Architecture. Da Capo Press.	

Evaluation Criteria	Components		
	MIDTERM GRADE The total grade obtained with the contribution of the following components is the MIDTERM GRADE:		40%
	Submission-1	In-Class Works	15%
		Assignments	25%
	FINAL GRADE The total grade obtained with the contribution of the following components is the FINAL GRADE:		60%
	Submission-2	In-Class Works	15%
		Assignments	25%
	Group Work: Presentation and Practice		20%
	TOTAL GRADE (Course Success) MIDTERM GRADE %40+ FINAL GRADE %60		100%

Notice	Students must actively participate to the class at least 80% of the time. In order to take the final semester/year exams of the course (including the case of repeating the course), at least 80% attendance must be achieved. For the submissions to be evaluated, it is mandatory to comply with the deadline dates, hours and presentation formats announced during the course. In order to complete the course successfully, the final submission must be made; and the Final Grade must be at least 50 points out of 100.
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COURSE SCHEDULE

W	Date	Subject	Content	Activities
W1	30.09.2026	Introduction	Introducing the Course Structure and Content Seminar: <i>Lineal Translations and Constructions</i> Discussions on the concepts of environment and architecture Working kit and symbol design Making and meeting of the groups	Seminar In-class work-0 Group Discussions
W2	07.10.2026	Layers of the City Architecture and Time	Route-1	Excursion In-class work-1 Assignment-1
W3	14.10.2026	Context and Form Architecture as Spatiality Components of Architecture	Route-2	Excursion In-class work-2 Assignment-2
W4	21.10.2026	Perpendicular Direction: Through the Architecture of the City	Route-3	Excursion Visit In-class work-3 Assignment-3
W5	28.10.2026	No Class	Republic Day	
W6	04.11.2026	Layers of Architecture	Route-4	Excursion In-class work-4 Assignment-4
W7	11.11.2026	Architecture as Materiality and Gathering	Route-5	Excursion In-class work-5 Assignment-5
W8	18.11.2026	MIDTERM EXAMS	Submission: Presentations & Discussions	Presentations Group Discussions
W9	25.11.2026	Group Work: Designing& Practicing Walking Route	Group Presentations of Route Drafts	Presentations Group work
W10	02.12.2026	Group Work: Designing& Practicing Walking Routes (A)	Route-6	Excursion Group work A In-class work-6 Assignment-6
W11	09.12.2026	Group Work: Designing& Practicing Walking Routes (B)	Route-7	Excursion Group work B In-class work-7 Assignment-7
W12	16.12.2026	Group Work: Designing& Practicing Walking Routes (C)	Route-8	Excursion, Group work C In-class work-8 Assignment-8
W13	23.12.2026	Group Work: Designing& Practicing Walking Routes (D)	Route-9	Excursion, Group work D In-class work-9 Assignment-9
W14	30.12.2026	Group Work: Designing& Practicing Walking Routes (E)	Route-10	Excursion, Group work E In-class work-10 Assignment-10
	TBA	FINAL EXAMS	Final Submission: Presentations & Discussions	Presentations Group Discussions