# **YASAR University**

Faculty of Architecture / Department of Architecture

### **ARCH 122 - SPRING 2016**

# HISTORY AND THEORIES OF ARCHITECTURE AND URBANISM I

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#### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This course is a survey of architectural discourses and practices in premodern and early-modern periods. It covers a broad geographical span including Western and non-Western cultural formations, including Europe, the Americas, the Islamic world and the Far-East with special emphasis on the architecture of Seljuk and Ottoman Empires. As well as knowledge of historical architectural cultures, students are introduced to such concepts as "canon," "historiography," and "architectural discourse." Emphasis is placed on themes like technology, power, gender, symbolism and nature, as much as the chronology of architectural events.

#### CONDUCT

The course consists of 2-hour lectures and 1-hour reading discussion sessions. The lectures provide the basic information of architectural history that students need to know as a future architect. The discussions aim to develop students' critical abilities through readings and dialogue. Students are expected to read the short texts prior to the discussion sessions and be prepared to contribute.

### **REQUIREMENTS**

#### 1. Attendance:

Attendance is mandatory. The lectures provide a basic informative framework for the course material which can be supported, but not replaced, by a textbook.

#### 2. Worksheet

Each student is required to printout and bring the worksheet of the week which will be used during the discussion sessions to answer the questions.

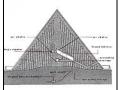
#### 3. Field Trip and its Presentation

Each student with her/his research group should make a day-trip during the semester, aligned with the lectures on ancient antiquity, to one the historical sites close to İzmir. During this trip, students will take notes/sketches and make a presentation about their findings. Student number in each group and the list of historical cities will be announced later.

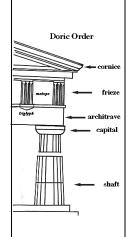
#### STUDENT EVALUATION

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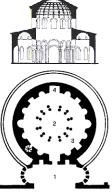




## **SOURCES (OPTIONAL)**

Spiro Kostof, *A History of Architecture: Settings and Rituals*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1995; Ian Sutton, *Western Architecture from Ancient Greece to the Present*, London, New York: Thames & Hudson, 1999; Moffett, Marian, Michael Fazio and Lawrence Wodehouse. *Buildings Across Time: An Introduction to World Architecture*. Boston: McGraw Hill, 2004. The slides of the lectures, important announcements about the course and the readings cited in the following schedule can be accessed from the "lectures" website.

## **WEEKLY SCHEDULE**



	WEEK NO.	LECTURES	READING DISCUSSION	
-	#1	24 FEBRUARY Introduction: History of Architecture	26 FEBRUARY none	
	#2	2 MARCH Shelters and Rituals: Stone and Bronze Age	4 MARCH Spiro Kostof, A History of Architecture, 7-19.	
-	#3	9 MARCH Citadels and Settlements and Architecture for Eternity: Hittite, Minoan and Egypt	11 MARCH Spiro Kostof, A History of Architecture, 91-96.	
	#4	16 MARCH The Rise of the Canon: Ancient Greece	18 MARCH Richard Sennett, Flesh and Stone, 58-61.	
	#5	23 MARCH Glory and Excess: Ancient Rome	25 MARCH Vitruvius, Ten Books on Architecture, c. 50 BC, 13-16.	
	#6	30 MARCH PRSENTATION OF THE TERM PROJECT	1 APRIL PRSENTATION OF THE TERM PROJECT	
	#7	6 APRIL PRSENTATION OF THE TERM PROJECT	8 APRIL PRSENTATION OF THE TERM PROJECT	
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	#9	20 APRIL Pre-Columbian Architecture: The Americas	22 APRIL Diane Z. Chase, Arlen F. Chase and William A. Haviland, "The Classic Maya City: Reconsidering the 'Mesoamerican Urban Tradition," 499-501.	

#10	27 APRIL Architecture of China, and India	29 APRIL Qinghua Guo, "From Tower to Pagoda: Structural and Technological Transition," 3, 12-13.		
#11	4 MAY Architectures of Faith: Early Christian and Islamic Architecture	6 MAY Ernst J. Grube, "What is Islamic Architecture?" in Architecture of the Islamic World, 1978, 10-14; St. Augustine, The City of God, c. 5th century, various pages.		
#12	11 MAY Architecture of the Seljuk Period	13 MAY Mustafa Önge, "Caravanserais as Symbols of Power in Seljuk Anatolia," 2007, Pisa Univ. Press, 49-53, http://www.cliohworld.net/onlread/5/06.pdf		
#13	18 MAY Architecture and Symbolism: The Middle Ages and Gothic Architecture	20 MAY Abbot Suger, "The Book of Suger, Abbot of Saint-Denise," 22-23		
#14	25 MAY After the Canon: Ottoman Architecture	27 MAY Aptullah Kuran, "A Spatial Study of Three Ottoman Capitals," 114-131.		
#15	FINAL EXAM (TBA)			
	WE WISH YOU A PRODUCTIVE AND SUCCESSFUL SEMESTER!			
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