

## LA 410/510 Urban Sustainability



- 30 years since defined... where are we now?
- Understand the unique opportunities and challenges of “urban” environments
- Explore a sustainable city-landscape relationship
- Critically evaluate existing design and planning solutions
- How can we manage trade-offs and promote synergies among different approaches?

This course provides a road map for examining urban sustainability through interdisciplinary perspectives and applying ethical and practical approaches into urban design and planning. Defined 30 years ago, “sustainable development” has been promoted by calling for intergenerational equity. The course will critically assess what has worked and not worked through local and international case studies. We will identify conflicting dimensions of urban sustainability from social, economy and environmental perspectives; explore systematic ways to manage trade-offs; discuss the unique opportunities and challenges of “urban” environments; and explore sustainable city-landscape relationships in the era of climate change.

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