

Winter 2023

LA 489 / 589

Oregon Sequence: Opportunity Village



Fall at OVE

Time M, W, F
1:00pm - 4:50pm

Credits 6

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Prerequisites One LA 4/589 studio or the equivalent (upon approval by instructor).

Curricular Context This class is required for BLA and MLA students

Studio Description This studio builds on Landscape for Humanity’s work with Opportunity Village Eugene (OVE), a transitional community for otherwise homeless individuals. OVE’s existing site lease on Garfield is ending in 2023. The second quarter of the studio will focus on a phased set of site design options, understanding maintenance and supply systems, and prototyping appropriate design activations.

This studio will touch on Everyday Urbanism¹, a concept introduced by Margaret Crawford, John Chase, and John Kaliski in 1999. Everyday Urbanism is not concerned with aesthetics but with specific activities of the daily life. It constitutes an empirical approach that strengthens frequently unnoticed existing situations and experiences that occur in everyday life.

¹ Chase, John; Crawford, Margaret; John, Kaliski (1999). Everyday Urbanism. New York: Monacal Press. ISBN 1885254814.