Instructors

Clare Robinson, Ph.D. – Architectural and Urban Historian
Clare teaches topics in 20th century architectural history and theory, including the many interpretations and permutations of modernism after its advent. Clare also studies social class and the political and economic contexts that inform modern architecture and its meaning, especially in the United States, but is broadening her knowledge comparatively by researching and teaching topics in South American modern architecture.

Eduardo Guerrero – Registered Architect (Chile) and Urban Designer
Eduardo practiced architecture and urban design in Chile for several years, many of which were dedicated to the design and construction of social housing and neighborhoods. As a native Chilean, he brings a set of valuable connections – to government officials, practicing architects, and professors – that will enrich the study abroad for students.

Intended student cohort

The proposed courses are appropriate for architecture, landscape architecture, planning, and BSSBE students who have successfully completed their 2nd year (if an undergraduate) or their first year (if a graduate student). Graduating students may also participate. Although instructors expect students to draw plans, sections, elevations, and model spaces (when appropriate), assignments can and will adapt to the strengths of students in each discipline, and once the cohort is finalized, the course material can and will adapt to each disciplines (within reason). Students who are entering their second year of undergraduate education may apply but are encouraged to speak with one of the instructors first.

There are no specific prerequisites however students must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher.
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Travel dates
July 13 – August 13, 2014

Course titles, and credits (course number pending)

ARC 471m: Latin American Modernism
3 credits

This course will look at how modern architects of the mid and late 20th century used modern architecture in different socio-economic contexts, for the rich, poor, formal and informal institutions. Special attention will be paid to examples in Santiago, Chile, including Monasterio Benedictino by Gabriel Guarda and Martin Correa, Edificio de Cepal by Emilio Duhart, houses on Cerro San Luis by various architects, and social projects by Luciano Kulczewsky, as well as the social and political agendas behind these modern examples. The course is lecture-based but class will be held in situ at the sites of many projects, and students will not only listen and read, but photograph, sketch, study site, form, and construction techniques, and write about modern architecture. Students will create vivid, illustrative diaries suitable for exhibition that address the phenomenological, formal, social, political, and economic aspects of South American modernism.

Participation 20%
Analytical drawings 30%
Journal entries 30%
Final documentation of work 20%

ARC 471u: Vivienda Social y Urbanismo
3 credits (might be cross-listed with Landscape Architecture and/or Planning)

This course will examine two periods of social housing in Santiago Chile which bracket the military dictatorship of the 1970s and 1980s, and will analyze the ways social housing in Chile connects to transportation and creates public life. Key projects for study and site visitation include the housing project Villa Portales and more recent projects by elemental. As a fieldwork-based/studio class, this course will demand students sketch, photograph, and analyze the various conditions in Santiago and be able to design/re-design elements of existing projects at various scales. When possible, the class will make office visits and meet key government officials who made the housing and urban spaces possible. As part of this course, students will document, interpret, and re-design at least one project for exhibition at CAPLA.

Participation 20%
Analytical drawings of sites 30%
Schematic design proposals 30%
Final documentation of work 20%
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Program schedule and itinerary

Students will arrive in and remain in Santiago for three weeks of the study period, however, substantive side trips to Valparaiso and Ciudad Abierta de Ritoque are planned. (Students are free on weekends to travel as they please.) Valparaiso is rich with examples of housing and urban transportation. Ciudad Abierta de Ritoque was and remains the site of experimental architecture, where faculty from the Catholic University in Valparaiso broke from tradition to begin building architecture on the dunes of the Chilean coast north of Valparaiso in the 1970s. Below is a tentative schedule for planning purposes only.

Note: Instructors are arranging contact with students and faculty in urban studies programs at Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile and/or Universidad Diego Portales. These associations may change course content.
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Cost per person

Program cost
$5000 per student*

This amount includes housing, most meals (all breakfasts and most lunches and dinners), and local transportation, including airport transportation upon arrival, transportation to and from Santiago and Valparaiso, metro and buses in Santiago, and planned field trips beyond the reach of Santiago’s metro system or Valparaiso’s local transit system.

International travel
International airfare to Santiago de Chile $1100-1600
Tourist Visa (purchased at airport) $100-150

Housing
Covered by cost of program

Local Transportation not covered by program cost
Local transit in Valparaiso $5 per day (approx.)

Cell phone
Basic cell phone for communication with instructors and classmates $40

Food (mostly lunch, some dinners in Valparaiso)
Student’s choice $10-30 per day

Materials
Sketchbook, pencils, paper, etc. less than $100

*The University of Arizona’s Study Abroad office is still negotiating a final price with one of the vendors in Chile. Our hope is that the program costs no more than $5000 each for 15 students (not including airfare and miscellaneous items above). Please note that whatever the final cost, the length and number of credits offered by the faculty led program to Chile in the summer of 2014 qualify for federal financial aid. Enrollment less than 15 may increase cost per person.

Application deadline and fee

Study abroad applications and the initial fee of $80 are due February 15, 2014.

Visit http://global.arizona.edu/study-abroad/program/capla-abroad to apply!

Questions?

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