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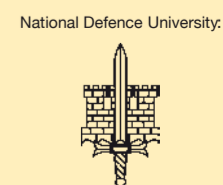
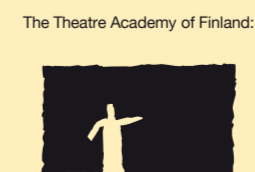
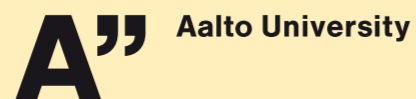
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DESIGN AND THE CITY

6 ECTS

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A course in urban studies, "Design and the City" introduces students to the analysis of the city and to its relation to design. By doing this, the course aims at examining design outside the conventional associations to 'produced goods' or 'built environment'.

The course will explore how design influences the city, its planning and the life of its inhabitants. We will introduce some major theoretical points about creative industries, art, economy and urban space as well as examine some ad hoc cases, in relation to Helsinki. The Finnish capital has recently been chosen as World's Design Capital for 2012. Class projects encourage students to think critically about the modes and functions of design in the urban context.

The main themes of the course are:

- 1) Can urban planning be understood as a form of design? What are its main features? How does architecture relate to design?
- 2) How do design products communicate certain places and link themselves to certain cities? Where is the 'place' in the 'product'? Why do certain creative industries originate in certain places?
- 3) How can design influence or shape the life of city inhabitants?

The course focuses primarily on Helsinki metropolitan region. The similarities and differences with other European and extra-European cities will also be examined together with the 'flow' of urban images between 'peripheries' and 'centres'.

The key lecturers come from the multidisciplinary Network of the Professors of Urban Studies. Other lecturers include urban experts from Finnish and international universities as well as artists and members of various other institutions. Within the framework of the Network for Urban Studies, the course is organised by the University of Helsinki and the Aalto University.

This course is designed for master's degree students of sociology, geography, cultural studies, architecture, urban planning, environmental studies, politics or economics.

Please direct any questions concerning the content of this course to the coordinator, Mr. Giacomo Bottà, giacomo.botta@helsinki.fi. Any inquiries on the general arrangements (accommodation, scholarship, etc.) should be addressed to Helsinki Summer School at summer-school@helsinki.fi.

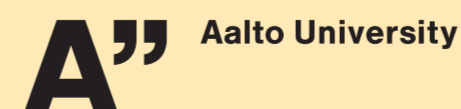
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Helsinki Summer School is a three-week academic event organised every August by the universities in Helsinki, Finland. Each year we give advanced degree students from over 60 countries an unforgettable learning experience that combines high quality academics with a wide range of cultural and social activities. Our multi-disciplinary courses, all of which are taught in English, aim at stimulating thought and intellectual development in an open and diverse environment. As a city known for design, technology and its vibrant cultural life, Helsinki is sure to be the experience of a lifetime.

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