



Course Description

ARC2702 | History of Architecture 2 | 3.00 credits

This course provides a survey of architecture from the 19th century to the present and includes works from the Western canon and examining architectural developments. Students will analyze the integration of art forms, structural elements, and ornamental designs across civilizations, exploring their connections to human development, including art and history. Through this study, students will develop critical thinking skills and gain understanding of how architecture reflects and influences societal changes and cultural expressions throughout modern and contemporary periods. This is a writing intensive course.

Course Competencies:

Competency 1: The student will demonstrate understanding of modern and contemporary architectural history by:

1. Analyzing structural innovations in 19th-century buildings
2. Comparing ornamental designs across different modern movements
3. Identifying key works from the western architectural canon
4. Examining the evolution of architectural styles from the 19th century to present
5. Evaluating the influence of new materials on architectural forms
6. Interpreting the philosophical underpinnings of contemporary designs
7. Tracing the development of specific architectural features in modern times

Competency 2: The student will explore the relationship between architecture and society in the modern era by:

1. Investigating the impact of industrialization on architectural practices
2. Examining the role of architecture in urban development
3. Analyzing the influence of technological advancements on building construction
4. Assessing the relationship between modernist ideals and architectural styles
5. Exploring the connection between globalization and architectural trends
6. Evaluating the role of sustainability in contemporary architectural design
7. Comparing public and private architectural spaces in modern contexts

Competency 3: The student will develop critical thinking skills in analyzing modern and contemporary architecture by:

1. Applying art historical methodologies to 20th and 21st-century works
2. Synthesizing information from various sources to form architectural arguments
3. Critiquing the effectiveness of structural solutions in modern buildings
4. Evaluating the aesthetic principles employed in contemporary designs
5. Analyzing the integration of technology within architectural structures
6. Comparing architectural theories from different 20th-century movements
7. Assessing the cultural significance of specific modern architectural works
8. Interpreting the narrative elements in contemporary architectural forms

General Education Learning Outcomes:

- Solve problems using critical and creative thinking and scientific reasoning
- Formulate strategies to locate, evaluate, and apply information