

Department of Architecture College of Engineering Salahaddin University - Erbil

Subject: Landscape Design

Course Book: Year-4

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Course Book

1. Course name	Landscape Design	
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	Engineering	
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5. Time (in hours) per	Theory: 2	
week	Practical: 4	
6. Office hours	Thursday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm	
7. Course code	4138	
8. Teacher's academic profile	Suzan Tahir Ismail was born in Erbil City, Iraq. She had the passion to become an architect since primary school.	
	She ranked the first among the city students in 1984 and so started the journey to fulfill her dreams by being accepted in Baghdad University.	
	She completed her Bachelor degree in 1989 and the Master of Science in the same university in 1999 with Honor degree and specialization in Landscape.	
	She is working in Salahaddin University since the foundation of Architecture department in 1993 and was the first female architecture staff in the department.	
	She has published many researches in various scientific journals and international conferences and was promoted to Lecturer degree in 2014.	
	Suzan is interested in the fields of sustainability,	
	sustainable landscape, green transportation,	
O Konnorda	environmental design, and interior design.	
9. Keywords	Landscape, sustainable landscape, cultural	
	landscape	

10. Course overview:

Landscape Architecture is the sensitive and creative design of the land and spaces we inhabit. This discipline sits at the forefront of rising global interest in the environment, the sustainability of cities and the quality of urban life. Also, landscape is approached from an integrative viewpoint, which includes aspects of the biophysical, the anthropogenic and the intangible (e.g. spiritual values, performing arts, social practices, outdoor recreation). Landscape architecture is viewed as

bringing together the natural balance between the needs of people and ecology. It also considers wise land use and aesthetics in the work.

In Landscape Architecture program the students will explore:

- The social, cultural, and ecological processes that form and contribute to the landscape
- The materials and management of landscape design, including the latest technologies.
- How to design urban environments that sensitively interact with the Erbil city landscape
- Landscape architecture history.

Landscape Architects can take on many roles—from designer to land-use mediator to conservationist. Landscape design course is highly regarded in the architecture and industry and enables students to enter many professions including:

- Urban design
- site planning
- Town or urban planning
- Environmental restoration
- Parks and recreation planning
- Green infrastructure planning
- Design, planning and management in many situations.

11. Course objective:

The course enables the students to:

- 1. Gain theoretical knowledge about the basic fundamentals concerning Landscape Design and to apply them in a range of sites and scales.
- 2. Understand the expanded notions of Landscape that is beyond designing parks and gardens only, to include every aspect of the urban scene.
- 3. Learn solving a Landscape Design problem from the very first steps of determining the program, to the site analysis, then the formation of concept and gradually evolving the design to reach finally to the overall design.
- 4. Have a better knowledge about details in Landscape Design concerning types of plants, surface materials of floors, ceiling and floor in addition to enrichments, and to describe the applications and configurations used for the materials.

12. Student's obligation

- Regular attendance is required according to the university rules.
- The use of mobile phone during the class is prohibited.
- ➤ Daily participation and conducting assignments are required.
- > Reading the materials & teachers notes daily.
- > Preparing the submissions in time, attending the exams, submitting the

presentations and reports.

13. Forms of teaching

6 hrs. in lectures including:

2 hrs. Theoretical

4 hrs. Studio Work / Practical

There will be various types of teaching methods through the course and they will be used to serve a major goal which is developing the cognitive abilities of the students so as to enable them understand, apply, analyse, synthesize, and finally evaluate the knowledge they gain.

There will be PowerPoint presentation for the theoretical part of the course assisted by using white board. This will give headlines, definitions, classifications and other information in brief. This presentation will be backed with the lecturer's explanation.

Concerning the practical part there will be research presentations and also discussions that will encourage team work between the students in one hand, and interaction between the lecturer and students in another hand.

The projects of the previous years besides foreign and local good examples will be illustrated and points of weakness and strength in them will be explained, to reach the point that a student can apply the information he got in a good design for the projects of the course.

Additionally, collective and individual criticism will be the main core form of teaching for the practical part throughout the term till the final submission of the project.

14. Assessment scheme

The module of Landscape Design is a one term material. It's a six hours lecture per week, two hours theoretical and four hours practical. The theoretical and the practical part will have an average of **50 marks** for all the academic semester effort. More specifically, for the practical part: there will be a design project including a research study, prelim submission, pre-final, final degrees, and most important daily degrees.

Thus, the following grade system is used for the evaluation of the module exam: The module exam is based on the summation of two categories of evaluations:

First: (50%) of the mark is based on the academic semester effort which includes

- midterm examination during the academic semester = (12%)
- Report = (3%)

- Daily (assignments, classwork, classroom activities, quiz) = (6%)
- Research Study for the project = (3%)
- Prelim submission = (8%)
- Pre-final submission = (18%)

Second: (50%) of the mark is based on final examination which includes:

- Theoretical exam = (20%)
- Practical final project submission = (30 %)

15. Student learning outcome:

The lecturer in this module emphasizes on:

- 1. Developing student skills to design within a concept, in addition to visualize the landscape spaces as an outdoor room.
- 2. Understanding the Landscape as a built environment that interacts with aesthetical, social, ecological, and cultural aspects.
- 3. The students to adopt individual trends in design and to develop their own creative ideas.
- 4. Linking Landscape to Sustainability, be aware of the new and updated principles of Sustainable Landscape, and to encourage students to apply these Principles in the practical project.
- 5. Designing projects within the context of the city, taking in consideration the effective impact of the history and culture of Erbil city
- 6. Enabling the students to design diverse landscape projects with different scales ranging from neighbourhood parks to the landscape of tourism projects that are very demanding in the job market nowadays.

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17. The Theoretical Topics:	Lecturer's name
Theoretical Part (2 hour) 1st Week	Suzan Tahir Ismail Ahmad Ismail Alifa Babakir Awat Lateef Saya Jamal (2 hrs)
- Introduction, course objective, course outlines (The programme, form of teaching, grading, course material)	10/1/2024
 2nd Week Principles of Landscape Design (The latest Definitions, the Process Steps and Design Range) 	17/1/2024
3 rd Week - Design Analysis (Site Analysis, Analysis of People Needs)	24/1/2024

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4 th Week	31/1/2024
- Aesthetic Elements of Landscape	
- Quiz	
5 th Week	7/2/2024
- Design Components of Landscape	
- (Natural Components)	
- Artificial Components of Landscape	
-The Floor of Landscape (Pathways, Streets),the	
wall, and the ceiling	
6 th Week	4. 6
	14/2/2024
- Enrichment in Landscape 1	
- Enrichment in Landscape 2	
7 th Week	21/2/2024
- Lighting in Landscape.	
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8 th Week	20, 2, 2027
- Sustainable Landscape	
- Midterm Exam	
Oth Wools	6/3/2024
9th Week	
- Sustainable Landscape Design Strategies	
10th Week	
- Landscape Design in Mesopotamia and Egypt	13/3/2024
- Landscape Design in Greek and Roman	
11 th Week	20/2/2024
- Nawroz Holiday	20/3/2024
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12th Wools	
12 th Week	27/3/2024
- Landscape Design in Chin and Japan	
13th Week	3/4/2024
	5, 1, 2027
- Landscape Design in Europe	
(Traditional English Gardens)	

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14 th Week	
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15 th Week	
- Expose & Discuss Landscape Design Projects (Local,	17/4/2024
Universal)	
16 th Week	
- Students presentations concerning Landscape topics	
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18. Practical Topics	Lecturer's name Suzan Tahir Ismail
	Ahmad Ismail
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Practical Part (4 hours)	Awat Lateef
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1st Week	(4 hrs)
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4 th Week - Submission of soft copy for the final research study - Individual Criticism	31/1/2024
5 th Week - Individual Criticism - Daily Marks	7/2/2024
6 th Week	14/2/2024
First Exhibition. (prelim Submission)Daily marks	
 7th Week Giving general notes concerning student design. Individual Criticism Daily marks 	21/2/2024
8 th Week - Individual Criticism - Daily marks	28/2/2024
9 th Week - Second Exhibition (Prefinal Submission)	6/3/2024
 10th Week Individual criticism. Daily marks A lecture giving some general notes for the final submission. 	13/3/2024
11 th Week - Nawroz Holiday	20/3/2024
12 th Week - Giving a day sketch - Individual criticism.	27/3/2024

13th Week - Final Submission of the Report - Discussing the day sketch submission (Points of strength & weakness - Individual criticism. - Daily marks	3/4/2024
14 th Week Eid Alfitir Holiday	10/4/2024
15 th Week	17/4/2024
Individual criticism.Daily marks	
16th Week	
- The Final Submission of Practical Project	24/4/2024

19. Examinations:

1. Compositional:

- 1. Explain what is meant by Simplicity in Landscape design and how it can be achieved (the answer should be enhanced with drawings).
- 2. Design shading for a patio area in a house for a situation: A patio with a direction **north west**, using hours from 8 a.m. till 12 p.m. in the winter.
- 3. What are the advantages of using structural solid shading units for roof in landscape?

2. True or false type of exams:

- 1. The parts of the hardscape that attract too much attention due to their expansive display, and they need to be minimized are drive ways. **True**
- 2. The selected fabricated enrichment that should match the style of the outdoor rooms is only Landscape furniture. **False**

3. Multiple choices:

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• One of the considered points in site analysis process concerning existing vegetation is: -

B-Presence of valuable specimens B- Topography C- Past site uses

• The typical topics to be considered for the analysis of peoples residential needs in

the design of landscape is: -

A- all personal preferences B- the time will be spent in the landscape C- both that been mentioned

20. Extra notes:

For the sake of variety and prevent the repetition of ideas, the teacher changes the projects every two years. Thus, diverse projects with different approaches been deigned.

21. Peer review