COIMBRASTUDIO
PHD IN ARCHITECTURE

3rd Cycle Studies
Department of Architecture
Faculty of Sciences and Technology
University of Coimbra

Cycle
Coordination: José António Bandeirinha

Duration: 6 Semesters
(2 curricular course semesters)

Opening: October 2015

JORGE MARIO
JÁUREGUI
15.10.2015, 18:30

Seminar of Culture and Urban Design
Coordination: Nuno Grande
Teaching staff: Ana Paula Santana, António Louza, João Paulo Cardielos, José António Bandeirinha, Pedro Mauricio Borges

EDUARDO
SOUTO DE MOURA
30.10.2015, 18:30

Seminar of Cultural Studies and Architecture
Coordination: Jorge Figueira
Teaching staff: António Olalio, João Mendes Ribeiro, José Fernando Gonçalves, Paulo Providência, Pedro Pousada

ANTHONY VIDLER
12.11.2015, 18:30

Seminar of Theory and History of Architecture and Urbanism
Coordination: Rui Lobo
Teaching staff: António Bettencourt, Armando Rabaça, Carlos Martins, Joaquim de Almeida, Susana Lobo, Vítor Murtinho

Research Methodologies
Coordination: Gonçalo Canto Moniz
Teaching staff: Cristina Freitas, Graça Simões

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ADVANCED STUDIES IN ARCHITECTURE AND THE CITY
DOCTORAL PROGRAM
IN ARCHITECTURE 2015–2016

The first edition of the new Doctoral Program in Architecture aims to train highly qualified researchers in the themes of Architectural an Urban Culture. It also aims at the academic progress and training of architecture professionals.

The PhD program includes a curricular course component — CoimbraStudio — worth 60 ECTS, and the development of a PhD thesis, worth 120 ECTS, both totalizing 180 ECTS.

The course includes a number of seminars in the areas of Theory and History of Architecture and Urbanism, Cultural Studies and Architecture, and Culture and Urban Design, which will be launched by leading figures in the global field of architecture — through three open inaugural lectures and other three discussion sessions reserved for doctoral students.

In this first edition, the new PhD Course in Architecture will have as guest lecturers Jorge Mario Jauregui (Rio de Janeiro), Eduardo Souto de Moura (Oporto) and Anthony Vidler (New York).

The conferences will take place on the 19th and 30th October and 2nd November, at 18:30. Classes will take place at Fridays and Saturdays during the months of October–November (1st semester) and April–May (2nd semester). The PhD course and the supervision of the thesis will be guaranteed by the FCTUC Department of Architecture teaching staff.

A Diploma of “Advanced Studies in Architecture and the City” will be awarded at the end of the Program's first year and after the approval in all curricular units. All curricular units are mandatory.

The degree of Doctor of Architecture (Faculty of Science and Technology, University of Coimbra) depends on the approval of the PhD thesis, to be developed in the estimated time of further two years.

1st SEMESTER

Research Methodologies (9 ECTS)

Coordination: Gonçalo Canto Moniz
Collaboration: Graça Simões and Cristina Freitas

The Research Methodologies Seminar aims to introduce concepts, methods and tools for research in Architecture and Urbanism. In this context, we intend to develop skills on structuring, formatting, writing and presenting scientific papers. In order to support research, the seminar will provide training on scientific writing in English, as well as on digital tools for research and bibliographic organization.

Seminar of Theory and History of Architecture and Urbanism I (7 ECTS)

Conference and discussion session with Anthony Vidler

Coordination: Rui Lobo
Collaboration: Vítor Murtinho and Carlos Martins

The seminar will operate based on the communication of the Visiting Professor, who will release a background theme for discussion and will address, among other issues, the methodologies of research in Theory and History of Architecture and Urbanism, and pertinent research topics in the field. Furthermore, the course will give account of an updated and comprehensive overview of the latest research in the field of THAU in Portugal and abroad, in the context of research lines which correspond to areas of interest of the Seminar’s teaching staff: theory and history of architecture and urbanism, from the Renaissance to the nineteenth century.

2nd SEMESTER

Seminar of Theory and History of Architecture and Urbanism II (5 ECTS)

Coordination: Jorge Figueira
Collaboration: José Fernando Gonçalves and Paulo Providência

The Seminar will discuss different research topics launched by the Visiting Professor and by the Coordinator. The syllabus will be defined in this interaction and dialogue with the students of the doctoral program. As a general framework, we intended to provide students with an updated and expanded view of research topics and methodologies in Cultural Studies and Architecture, from the definition of cultural studies to the approach to architecture problems that can be seen as “cultural studies”.

Seminar of Culture and Urban Design I (7 ECTS)

Conference and discussion session with Jorge Mario Jauregui

Coordination: Nuno Grande
Collaboration: José António Bandeirinha, Ana Paula Santana, João Paulo Cardielos, Pedro Maurício Borges and António Lousa

This Unit will debate the topics of research brought up by the Visiting Professor. Those topics will lead to the understanding of the city, simultaneously, as a “cultural palimpsest”, through diachronic readings of the urban evolution — regarding the sedimentation of different political cultures (thinking the Polis) and design cultures (making the Polis) —, and as a “cultural hypertext”, through synchronic readings of large urban architectures and (infra)structures generated in different times, also as symbols of the Polis.

3rd–6th SEMESTERS

Doctoral Thesis in Architecture (120 ECTS)

Coordination: José António Bandeirinha

The supervision of the doctoral thesis will be the responsibility of FCTUC Department of Architecture teaching staff.