INTENT OF THE STUDIO

The HIP studio (aka "Housing Boot Camp") in this format was first introduced as an intense introduction to housing in Fall 2011. The intent of the studio is to examine creative solutions to current issues of affordability, density, sustainability, and new and emerging lifestyles.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

A series of four one and one-half week exercises, each examining a different housing/site typography (e.g., single-family detached with accessory dwelling units, row houses, courtyard housing, will serve as basic research and design for the development of a final project on a larger hypothetical site, for the development of innovative medium density, low-rise housing.

STUDIO METHODOLOGY

This studio will be a highly structured, professionally oriented, demanding studio format. In order to achieve the most efficient educational objective of understanding issues associated with higher-density low-rise housing, programs for each type will be provided. Challenging current thinking is encouraged, if based on a sound set of intentions. The studio will also emphasize design process and developing meaningful intentions as a major component of the studio. Each housing type problem will first be introduced with more rigorous precedent studies and will be nine days in duration, followed by a four/five-week project at the end of the term.

FIELD TRIPS

Field trips to Eugene and/or Portland may be scheduled.

NOTE

This studio is recommended for those with a sincere interest in housing design. However, it is VERY intense and time consuming with weekly design projects (thus former students refer to it as “Housing Boot Camp”). See attached course evaluation comments from former students.