Context of the Profession
Arch 4/517
Spring 2010 (March 29 - June 11)
T/TH 12:00 – 1:30PM
Professor: ZGF Architects LLP (Bob Packard, Managing Partner and ZGF Architectural Staff)

Course Description
This course is designed to explore the professional practice of architecture. We will discuss the processes, procedures and tools used for: getting work, managing projects from design through construction, and navigating the legal and regulatory requirements of the profession. Students will participate in the design, management and documentation of a small project and will gain exposure to the competitive nature of getting work through a mock interview held in a “real world” environment. From the perspective of the practitioner focused on innovation and design we will investigate: professionalism; ethics and professional judgment; legal responsibilities; professional organizations and licensure. Common throughout this course will be discussion regarding current challenges and trends in: technology, project delivery, the economy and sustainable design.

Course Format
This course is taught by design professionals from ZGF Architects LLP and incorporates: lecture, discussion, Q&A, hands-on project work, site visits, panel discussion, mock interview prep and final presentation.

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