ARCH 661 Teaching Technical Subjects in Architecture
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Description
This course provides a forum for those interested in pursuing a teaching career in design and technology and/or future Graduate Teaching Fellows (GTFs) by discussing pedagogical issues related to teaching technical subjects. Students will develop a brief presentation for the class which will be peer-critiqued. Those taking the course for 2 credits will conduct a teaching critique and written response of a technical course.

Course Objectives
• Familiarize those interested in teaching technical subjects and prospective GTFs in using materials from technology courses (ECS, structures, building construction
• Develop innovative hands-on, experiential exercises for technical subject areas
• Provide a forum for discussion about teaching technical subjects and general handling of teaching issues related teaching and learning

Course Requirements
• Discussion: issues related to teaching as a career
• Presentation: .ppt or demonstration (or other teaching technique) of a concept or principle that will increase understanding of the material and connection to design
• Facilitate: discussion of issues related to teaching technical topics and handling discussion sections

Course Evaluation
Teaching Moment 50%
Discussion & Facilitation 50%
Graded or Pass/No Pass evaluation options

Required Text: Ed Allen, Notes to Myself, self-published, 2002. provided in class

Recommended Readings
• Esquith, Rafe, Teach Like Your Hair is on Fire, Penguin, 2007

Prerequisites
ECS, structures or materials sequence of required courses or concurrent enrollment

Satisfies a requirement for the Technical Teaching Certificate Program
may be repeated for credits under same course number