TIMBER IN THE CITY

This studio will be based on the competition brief of the 2015-2016 TIMBER IN THE CITY: Urban Habitats Competition by The Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture (ACSA). Students will work in teams to imagine the repurposing of our existing cities with sustainable buildings from renewable resources, offering expedient affordable construction, innovating with new and old wooden materials, and designing healthy living and working environments. The competition challenges participants to design a mid-rise, mixed-use complex with affordable housing units, a NYC outpost of the The Andy Warhol Museum, and a new and expanded home for the historic Essex Street Market. The project site is in Manhattan’s lower east side in the former Seward Park Urban Redevelopment Area. The studio will focus on the generation and communication of innovative design solutions in mass timber through close collaborations with outside experts in advanced wood products.