ARCHITECTURAL STUDIES (ARCS)

ARCS 10121  REPRESENTATION OF DESIGN I  3 Credit Hours
A survey of the techniques and assumptions of basic architectural design concepts and representation of the built environment through analytical and synthetic exercises that introduce fundamental design skills. In order to integrate students into the college and the field, the exercises are supplemented by readings in contemporary visual culture.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARCS 10122  REPRESENTATION OF DESIGN II  3 Credit Hours
Continuation of ARCS 10121 with an emphasis on 3-D thinking and representation, critical skills and the role of images in architectural culture and society. The course also introduces the wider application of design principles in graphic design, digital media and the visualization of information.
Prerequisite: ARCS 10121 or ARCH 10101.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARCS 20121  STUDIO FOR ARCHITECTURAL STUDIES  4 Credit Hours
Course exposes students to the distinct design processes, final products, and interconnectedness of various allied design disciplines including (but not limited to) graphic design, interior design, landscape architecture, urban design, industrial design, architecture and historic preservation.
Prerequisite: AED 10102; and Architectural Studies major.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 8 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARCS 20122  STUDIO FOR ARCHITECTURAL STUDIES II  4 Credit Hours
Studio allows students to further develop their design skills in relation to a theme or shared research topic that crosses the disciplinary boundaries of architecture and challenges conventional ideas of the role design can play in developing knowledge.
Prerequisite: ARCS 20121 or ARCH 20101.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 4 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARCS 30123  MATERIALS AND PROCESS OF MAKING  3 Credit Hours
Seeks to introduce and foster an ease of mobility through various digital design environments utilizing familiar techniques of design production (i.e. drawing, modeling, rendering, etc.). Students engage in digital modes of production that will enable the testing of material, spatial, and tectonic performance through scalar prototyping.
Prerequisite: AED 10102; or special approval for students who have completed equivalent design foundations studies in areas such as Fashion Design, Visual Communications Design or Studio Art.
Schedule Type: Lecture, Studio
Contact Hours: 1 lecture, 4 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARCS 30124  METHODS AND THEORIES OF REPRESENTATION  3 Credit Hours
Seeks to examine traditional and contemporary methods of architectural representation as generative tools that mediate between individual idea and constructed environment.
Prerequisite: AED 10102; or special approval for students who have completed equivalent design foundations studios in areas such as Fashion Design, Visual Communications Design or Studio Art.
Schedule Type: Lecture, Studio
Contact Hours: 1 lecture, 4 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARCS 30321  STRUCTURAL TYPOLOGY  3 Credit Hours
Course provides an intuitive introduction to architectural structures that focuses on the historical development of structural types, structure as organization, the structural properties of materials, the physical form-finding design process and scientific method through lab exercises and design projects.
Prerequisite: AED 10102 or ARCH 10012.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARCS 30421  ENVIRONMENTAL IMPERATIVES  3 Credit Hours
Course introduces students to various viewpoints on sustainable built environments with emphasis on the ethical, ecological, social, political, economic, and technical implications. Engages students in debates on theoretical and practical positions on sustainability, and the organizations that support sustainable practices in the building industry.
Prerequisite: AED 10102 or ARCH 10012 or Sustainability Minor.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARCS 40022  URBAN DESIGN DISCOURSE (ELR)  3 Credit Hours
Course explores the interconnections among making space, image creation and inhabiting the city; engages students in visual and textual documentation of urban life and phenomena. Course presents history, theory and practices of documentation in conjunction with investigation of, and frequent visits to, Cleveland sites as the basis for student projects.
Prerequisite: ARCH 10012; and junior standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement

ARCS 40114  THEORY AND CRITICISM IN ARCHITECTURAL MEDIA (WIC)  3 Credit Hours
Aimed at investigating the increasingly intertwined issues that link contemporary architectural theory and criticism with the world of media.
Prerequisite: ARCH 10012; and junior standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Writing Intensive Course