ARCH 601
Sustainable Urban Design Research Squad

Professor: Nico Larco
Credit hours: 2-3 credits of independent study
Meetings: Fridays 11-12 - Weekly all groups meeting
          + weekly one hour meeting between research team and Professor.

Professor Nico Larco is seeking a small group (4-6) students to assist in research on Sustainable Urban Design that will contribute to a current book project.

Substantial research exists between the subjects of "sustainability" and "urban design," but there is a demand for a resource that illuminates their relationship in a clear, accessible way. This team will tackle a variety of sustainability issues to understand and illustrate how they are affected by urban design practices.

During the term, team members can expect:
  • To develop a deep understanding of a particular urban design practice and its complex relationship to sustainability.
  • A collaborative work environment that supports your ability to wrestle with large, complex concepts.
  • To be a part of the team writing a book that is highly sought-after across disciplines.
  • Exercise in research, writing, and diagramming skills.

Format:
The team will work in a combination of individual research and partner-supported writing/illustrating, punctuated with informal group sessions.

End product:
By the end of the term, each individual or pair is expected to produce a cohesive, clear, and well-organized element section (8-12 pages) of the book, supported by appropriate illustrations and diagrams. An example section is attached.

Interested students should get in touch with Nico Larco (nlarco@uoregon.edu)

There will be an in-depth information session during the first week of winter term.