

Dimensions

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To participate in Dimensions you must read the fine print*. (Hint)

ARCH466 is the organizing workshop that binds the staff until the project takes hold.

The goal of the workshop is to introduce students to the interdependent relationships between content and form as they relate to the publishing of projects, essays, interviews, and lectures on architecture. The workshop will study the means and methods of book production through the study of printing practices, typography, and the workings of image and text as a commingled practice of editing and design. These subjects will be tested through the design and production of *Dimensions*.

Students with an interest and/or experience in criticism/writing, graphic design/typography, editing/publishing, and/or photography/documentation are encouraged to attend the first meeting and to explore the possibility of joining *Dimensions*. Graduate students (and highly motivated and disciplined undergraduates) are welcome to attend. The staff is generally limited to 6–8 students. 1 credit is issued in the Fall for the workshop and work related to the call for submissions followed by 3 credits in the Winter term focused on the design and production of the journal. Contact the advisor if the course conflicts with any other classes.

Dimensions staff are required to attend weekly meetings, act independently on individual and group tasks and participate in the comprehensive editing, design, and production of the journal. The duration of the design/production phase depends largely on the ability of the students to work as a collective and be held accountable individually beyond the organized workshop meetings.

This is not a class

Ok, technically it is. But more importantly it is a project, as work on the journal will extend through most of the regular Winter term with closing duties extending into May. Students will be expected to contribute a significant amount of energy and effort until the journal is complete and submitted for printing. Previous *Dimensions* set a precedent for both content and form, and it should be the aim of this year's staff to continue to build upon the accomplishments of previous volumes. But as they say: "It ain't over 'til it's over." Grades will be issued after printing of the journal and the completion of all closing duties.

To learn more about previous volumes see taubmancollege.umich.edu/dimensions

*The Fine Print: Dimensions first meeting will be on September 12 at 5pm in Room 2227. Interested students are strongly encouraged to email the advisor a statement of interest to crumich@umich.edu in PDF form in advance of the first meeting. Form and Content matter. Take it seriously.