

CITY MAKING

THE ECONOMICS OF URBAN DESIGN & DEVELOPMENT

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As architects, planners, and designers, we operate in the public sphere of the built environment. This seminar provides an overview of public and private development strategies in contemporary urbanization logics. The course seeks to enhance our effectiveness as public actors through the study of integrated approaches to project development.

The course investigates the complex blend of public and private actions promoting growth and change against financial, economic, legal, institutional, and political metrics. Through lectures and case studies, we will explore the analytic frameworks and bodies of knowledge required to understand, evaluate, design, and implement public and private development. The course seeks to build proficiency in a cohesive model of project development that accounts for multiple perspectives in city making.

Architecture and planning students, as well as students from other disciplines, are encouraged to take this course. This course satisfies the requirement for UD716 for urban design students.