Boston University International Programs
London

Boston University British Programmes
London Architecture & Urbanism

SUMMER 2011

Instructor Information
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B. Day and Time    Commencing Tuesday 31 May from 9.00am-1.00pm.
C. Contact Hours   40 + 2 hour exam
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Course Overview
London’s architecture and urban development will be explored through the themes that shaped the physical characteristics of London which include mapping the city, the city as representation of national identity, navigating the ever changing city and a review of recent developments. We will be looking at the growth of the city as a historical phenomenon, covering early modern London to the present day by assessing it in the context of political, social and economic change. Architectural styles will be discussed in the context of these wider topics.

Terms and Conditions
Promptness and punctuality are expected, slackness in this respect is discourteous and disruptive, and will be penalised. Attendance at all lectures and visits is compulsory and you will be docked a – or + for missing any session unless you have provided a letter of excuse signed by a doctor or the Director of Programmes. Weekend trips and family visits are not acceptable reasons for either lateness or absence. Students must check their email and the weekly Student Newsletter for field trip updates and reminders.

Teaching Pattern
Teaching Sessions will be divided between classroom lectures and field trips. Students should be dressed for all weather walking. Please note you may bring your camera. Mobile phones and MP3 players must be switched off at all times including when travelling on the tube. Smoking is also not permitted. Attendance at all classes and visits is mandatory. Students missing any session without a doctor’s letter or authorisation from the Director will automatically be docked a grade. Persistent lateness will be penalised.
Assessment Method

1) Essay: How did London develop its urban form up to 1666?
The course assignment counts for 50% of the overall mark and is due Wednesday 8 September at 9.00am and is to be handed into the Student Affairs Office. The essay should be 2,000 words in length and include captioned illustrations. It should indicate thorough research and critical use of literary sources with end notes and a separate bibliographic sheet.

2) Exam Paper: The 2 hour exam paper consists of 1 question weighted at 50% and is offered from a list of 3 question options which will be handed out in the session before the exam.

Grading

Please refer to the Academic Handbook for detailed grading criteria, attendance requirements and policies on plagiarism:

COURSE SCHEDULE

Lecture One: Tuesday 31 May 2011 - 9.00am-1.00pm
Meeting: Brompton Room, Harrington
Lecture: Introduction to London & Architecture
Field Trip: Kings Cross to Bloomsbury

Lecture Two Wednesday 1 June 2011 - 9.00am-1.00pm
Meeting: Brompton Room, Harrington Gardens
Lecture: London World City
Field Trip: St. Bartholomew the Great to St. Paul’s.

Lecture Three Thursday 2 June 2011 - 9.00am-1.00pm
Meeting: Brompton Room, Harrington Gardens
Lecture: The City
Field Trip: Monument to Bank.

Course Work Assignment: *** is to be handed into the Academic Office.

Lecture Four Monday 6 June 2011 - 9.00am-1.00pm
Meeting: Brompton Room, Harrington Gardens
Lecture: Interpreting Architecture
Field Trip: Covent Garden to Somerset House
Lecture Five Tuesday 7 June 2011 - 9.00am-1.00pm
Meeting: Brompton Room, Harrington Gardens
Lecture: Battle of the Styles: Victorian Architecture
Field Trip: Parliament Square to Trafalgar Square

Lecture Six Wednesday 8 June 2011 - 9.00am-1.00pm
Meeting: Brompton Room, Harrington Gardens
Lecture: Making Modern London
Field Trip: Hampstead Garden Suburb

Lecture’s Seven Thursday 9 June 2011 - 9.00am-1.00pm
Meeting: Brompton Room, Harrington Gardens
Lecture: The Age of Optimism
Field Trip: South Bank

Lecture Eight-Nine (Double Session to include boat trip) Monday 13 June 2011 9.00am-5.00pm
Meeting: Monument Station
Lecture: The Commercial City
Field Trip: Canary Wharf.

Tuesday free? TBC

Lecture Ten Wednesday 15 June 2011 - 9.00am-1.00pm
Meeting: Bromley-by-Bow Station
Lecture: The Olympic Village
Field Trip: Olympic Site
Study Day Thursday 16 June
2011

Final Exam: Friday 17 June 2011 9.00am-11.00am

BIBLIOGRAPHY

Felix Barker & Ralph Hyde (1982) *London as it might have been*, John Murray.
Ben Weinreb & Christopher Hibbert (eds.) (2008 [1983]) *The London Encyclopaedia*,
Macmillan.