SUBJECT DESCRIPTION FORM

Subject title: Urban Planning and Urban Design

Subject code: BRE524

Credit value: 3

Responsible staff and department: Dr. Stanley Yeung and Mrs. Ann Cheung (BRE)

Pre-requisite (Subject title and code no, if any) : Nil

Recommended background knowledge:

Students are expected to possess knowledge of the construction and real estate industries such as would be acquired through study on a degree in a built-environment discipline.

Mutual exclusions: Nil

Learning approach:

Topics related to urban planning and urban design will be introduced by brief lectures. The subject also emphasizes on the case studies on local urban planning and design issues. In addition, urban planning and design issues in Chinese mainland will also be covered in the lectures and seminars so as to provide students with a wider perspective to the subject area. Small group discussion will bring out initial understanding on the problems of urban planning and urban design in modern cities. Students are required to conduct urban design projects/planning case studies and final presentations will be made to the main group for constructive criticism.

- Lectures and seminars
- Tutorials and workshops
- Independent study
  - Group work and case study
  - Self-study material
  - Assignments

Assessment:

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Objectives:

The subject aims to provide student with a comprehensive perspective on urban planning and urban design issues with particular emphasis on the importance of urban planning and urban design in the land development process.
Keyword Syllabus:

**Urban Planning:** nature of urban planning; conflict between urban planning and real estate development; problems of the town planning system in Hong Kong; public participation in urban planning; industrial land use planning; rural areas planning, urban redevelopment; regional integration and regional planning.

**Urban design:** history of urban form; urban design and real estate development; Hong Kong’s urban form; urban design approaches; urban design and urban environment; high density development; conservation and preservation; tourism planning.

**Topical studies:** Hong Kong 2030, Sustainable Development, Metroplan, Urban Design Guidelines for Hong Kong; Hong Kong and the Pearl River Delta Region, Urban Redevelopment Authority; Harbour Reclamation; Built Heritage Preservation; Business Zone Concept.

Indicative reading list and references:


Nissim, Roger (1998) *Land Administration and Practice in Hong Kong*, Hong Kong University Press.


