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GRADUATE SCHOOL OF NATURAL AND APPLIED SCIENCES
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE
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LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE MASTER
COURSE INFORMATION FORM

Course Title	Planning and Designing of Urban Open Spaces								
Course Code	ZPM507	Course Level			Second Cycle (Master's Degree)				
ECTS Credit	8	Workload	200 (Hours)	Theory	3	Practice	0	Laboratory	0
Objectives of the Course	The purposes of this course are to educate and teach students the definition of urban open space, its history and typology, functions of urban open spaces, the characteristics of good urban open spaces, the factors which affect uses of urban open spaces, the legislations on urban open spaces, stakeholders in the planning and design of urban open spaces, urban open space guides, and the planning and design criteria and standards of urban open spaces								
Course Content	Definition and history of urban open space, typology of urban open spaces, functions of urban open spaces, the factors affecting the use of urban open spaces, national and international laws on urban open spaces, stakeholders in the planning and design of urban open spaces, urban open space guides, planning and design criteria and standards								
Work Placement	N/A								
Planned Learning Activities and Teaching Methods	Explanation (Presentation), Discussion, Case Study, Individual Study								
Name of Lecturer(s)	Prof. Barış KARA								

Assessment Methods and Criteria

Method	Quantity	Percentage (%)
Midterm Examination	1	30
Final Examination	1	40
Term Assignment	1	30

Recommended or Required Reading

1	Nikolopoulou, M. (Ed.), 2004. Designing Open Spaces in the Urban Environment: a Bioclimatic Approach, Center for Renewable Energy Sources (C.R.E.S.), Attiki, Greece, 52 pages.
2	Gehl, J., 2010. Cities for People, Island Press, Washington, USA, 261 pages
3	Gehl, J., 2011. Life Between Buildings: Using Public Space, Island Press, Washington, USA, 201 pages
4	Gehl, J., 2000. New City Spaces, Danish Architectural Press, 263 pages
5	Gehl, J., 2004. Public Spaces, Public Life, The Danish Architectural Press, 96 pages
6	Shaftoe, H., 2008. Convivial Urban Spaces: Creating Effective Public Places, Earthscan Publishing, Londo, UK, 154 pages

Week	Weekly Detailed Course Contents	
1	Theoretical	Introduction to course: content, reason, importance, process method and needs
2	Theoretical	Definition and history of urban open space
3	Theoretical	Typology of urban open spaces: Parks, squares, plazas, monuments
4	Theoretical	Typologies of urban open spaces: Streets, pedestrian paths-areas, children's playgrounds
5	Theoretical	Typologies of urban open spaces: School gardens, greenways, urban natural areas, coastal belts
6	Theoretical	Functions of urban open spaces: Environmental and ecological functions
7	Theoretical	Functions of urban open spaces: Social and community functions
8	Intermediate Exam	Mid-term exam
9	Theoretical	Functions of urban open spaces: Structural and symbolic functions
10	Theoretical	Functions of urban open spaces: Economic functions
11	Theoretical	Good characteristics of urban open spaces
12	Theoretical	Factors affecting the use of urban open spaces
13	Theoretical	National and international legislation on urban open spaces
14	Theoretical	Stakeholders in the planning and design of urban open spaces
15	Theoretical	Guidelines, criteria and standards for the planning and design of urban open spaces
16	Final Exam	Final exam



Workload Calculation

Activity	Quantity	Preparation	Duration	Total Workload
Lecture - Theory	14	10	2	168
Term Project	1	6	1	7
Midterm Examination	1	10	1	11
Final Examination	1	13	1	14
Total Workload (Hours)				200
[Total Workload (Hours) / 25*] = ECTS				8

*25 hour workload is accepted as 1 ECTS

Learning Outcomes

1	To grasp the definitions of urban open space, history and typology
2	To interpret the functions of urban open spaces
3	To evaluate the better characteristics of urban open spaces
4	To comprehend the factors that influence the use of urban open spaces
5	To examine legislation on urban open spaces
6	To have information about stakeholders who are involved in the planning and design of urban open spaces
7	7. To be able to interpret guidelines, criteria and standards for the planning and design of urban open space

Programme Outcomes (Landscape Architecture Master)

1	e
2	e
3	e
4	e
5	e

Contribution of Learning Outcomes to Programme Outcomes 1:Very Low, 2:Low, 3:Medium, 4:High, 5:Very High

	L1	L2	L3	L4	L5	L6	L7
P1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
P2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
P3				5			5

