



NAAB International Certification

Appendix 1: Template for Course Descriptions [limit 1 page per course]

Number & Title of Course (total credits awarded):

ARCH521 - Final Thesis/Project Seminars (Arch) - Semester 9 - ECTS 3 - Cicle/Profile: 2nd. Cycle/Integr. Arch. - Scientific Area: AU-Architecture and Urbanism

Course Description (limit 25 words)

Teach the fundamentals of scientific research in Architecture Design, namely essential conceptual and methodological tools for a research project, according to a operative or theoretical nature.

Course Goals & Objectives (list):

- 1. Establish the fundamental requirements to be fulfilled by the TFM
- 2. Guarantee the originality of the approach, based on an innovative selection of information
- 3. Verify the solidity of the reasoning, guaranteed by the use of referential sources and authors
- 4. Aiming a pertinent problematisation according to clear objectives

Student Performance Criterion addressed (list number and title):

Primary - A.3 Investigative Skills; A.7 History and Global Culture; C.1 Research; D.3 Business Practices; D.5 Professional Conduct; Secondary - A.3 Investigative Skills; A.7 History and Global Culture; C.1 Research; D.3 Business Practices; D.5 Professional Conduct;

Topical Outline (include percentage of time in course spent in each subject area):

Total hours: 75 (100%)

Contact hours: 28 (37,33%) (Lecturing 10 hours; Tutoring 5 hours; Critics 5 hours; Final reviews 8 hours)

Student independent work: 47 hours (62,67%)

Prerequisites:

ARCH512 - Master's Degree Final Thesis/Project Advising (Arch);

Textbooks/Learning Resources:

FARTHING, Stuart, Research Design in Urban Planning - A Student's Guide. London & Thousand Oaks, Sage Publications, 2016

GROAT, Linda, and WANG, David, Architectural Research Methods. 2nd ed. New York: John Wiley & Sons, 2013 OLIVER, Paul, Writing your thesis. London & Thousand Oaks, Sage Publications, 2004.

Offered (semester and year):

Faculty assigned (list all faculty assigned during the two academic years prior to the visit):

Daniel Maurício Santos de Jesus; Jorge Virgilio Rodrigues Mealha da Costa; José Luís Mourato Crespo; Ljiljana Cavic; Patrícia Guimarães Cabrita Matias;