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History of Architecture : from the origins to the Middle Ages

Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information below is subject to change, in particular that concerning the teaching mode (presential, distance or in a comodal or hybrid format).

3 credits	30.0 h	Q2

Teacher(s)	Pouillon Henry ;			
Language :	French			
Place of the course	Tournai			
Main themes	Introduction to the theological, ideological and theoretical stances which inform works from Antiquity and the Middle Ages			
	 The beginnings of architecture Pharaonic Egypt: petrified eternity Hellenic Antiquity: divine perfection of proportion The Roman world: a universal and imperial construction 			
	Paleochristian conversion: the renewal of meaning Byzantine synthesis: Hellenism, Roman culture, Orientalism, Christianity Isla: abstract expression of the divine			
	Romanesque experiments: Christianity made manifest Gothic exaltation: structured use of light			
Aims	The History of Architecture teaching unit is designed to provide a set of references. It will however avoid considering history as merely a reservoir of examples, but attempt to analyse 'historically', i.e. to put these examples in their context to gain better understanding of their complex meaning.			
	The main objective of the unit is to ask questions and attempt to understand architecture, as a complex phenomenon, of an intellectual, physical and social kind, and its meaning. This will be done by taking a strictly historical approach.			
	Specific learning outcomes: By the end of this course, students are able to			
	 • understand and use the vocabulary of art, architecture and urbanism. • identify and name the main (typical) stylistic characteristics of an artistic, architectural or urbanistic work in the period being studied. • logically place, in time and space, architecture and town developments representative of the period being studied. 			
	 explain the meaning of a work by putting it back in context, namely by understanding the whys and wherefores which shaped it. place unfamiliar examples by referring them to familiar models. 			
	• convey the link between art history and the political, economic and social organisation of society. Contribution to the learning outcome reference framework: Build knowledge of architecture			
	Be familiar with and analyse the basic references Be able to use given references which, by analogy, can lead to other interpretations of the context			
	Place the action			
	 Analyse the environments and contexts according to various given methods and starting from various identified points of view 			
	Make use of other subjects			
	Make use of other subjects to ask questions about the design and implementation of an architectural project			
	Use the technical dimension			
	• Observe and access the main construction principles of a building			

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	The contribution of this Teaching Unit to the development and command of the skills and learning outcomes of the programme(s) can be accessed at the end of this sheet, in the section entitled "Programmes/courses offering this Teaching Unit".
Bibliography	 Von MEISS (P.), De la forme au lieu. Une introduction à l'étude de l'architecture, Lausanne, 1993. TARICAT (J.), Histoires d'architecture, [Parenthèses], 2004. NORBERG-SCHULZ (Ch.), La signification dans l'architecture occidentale, Bruxelles-Liège, 1977. CHEYNUT (J.) et LEFEVRE (P), Parcours d'architectes, Paris, [Le Cavalier Bleu], 2012. DONNADIEU (B.), L'apprentissage du regard. Leçons d'architecture de Dominique Spinetta, Paris, 2002.
Faculty or entity in charge	LOCI

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)							
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Aims			
Bachelor in Architecture (Tournai)	ARCT1BA	3		Q			