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TO: Faculty Council Members  
FROM: Sonya Hardin, Faculty President  
DATE: February 19, 2009  
RE: Consent Calendar

Attached is the Consent Calendar (See Article V, Section 3.A (3 & 4), J. (3 & 5) and K.3 of the Standing Rules of the Faculty Council.) consisting of these proposals:

- ARCH 11-24-08 Establishment of New Courses for the Master of Urban Design Degree (M.U.D) Program

Below is the catalog copy description. If you wish to read the full proposal, it is posted on the Academic Affairs website.

If there is an objection regarding this proposal, it must be registered with the Faculty Governance Secretary (Julie Putnam, ext. 5719) by **5 PM on March 5, 2009**. If no objections are registered, they will stand approved.

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### **Studio Courses**

#### **MUDD 6111. Fundamentals of Urban Design Studio (6)**

This introductory urban design studio focuses on fundamental concepts as well as the acquisition and practice of a wide range of technical and graphic skills and media. It is intended to serve as an arena to explore and test issues focused around the making of public infrastructure, spatial definition by buildings, and the particular dynamics of civic and social spaces. *(Fall)*

#### **MUDD 6112. Sustainable Urbanism Design Studio (6)**

Prerequisite: MUDD 6111. This intermediate design studio focuses on the sustainable development of neighborhoods, districts, sites and spaces, exploring design process issues as well as the continued acquisition and practice of a variety of technical and graphic skills. *(Spring)*

**MUDD 7101. Advanced Capstone Urban Research & Design Studio (6)**

Prerequisite MUDD 6112. This advanced design studio focuses on site-specific projects and emphasizes methods of research and design as well as technological and systemic issues of sustainability in urban environments. This course will pursue a directed research and design agenda that will vary according to faculty interest, expertise and/or project requirements. In addition, this course may build upon the resources of the Design + Society Research Center (DSRC) at the School of Architecture. *(Fall)*

**MUDD 7134. Independent Capstone Research Project (6)**

(Alternative capstone course to MUDD 7101)

Prerequisite: MUDD 6112. This advanced project offers support and structure for students undertaking their capstone experience as individualized research and/or design work within the parameters of the M.U.D program but outside the 2 normative full-time sequence of studios or as part of a dual degree option with an individually tailored course plan. An individually defined urban research and/or design project will be taken under the direction of a M.U.D faculty member and other advisors as appropriate. *(Fall, Spring)*

**Required Seminar Course**

**MUDD 5602. Planning Law and Urban Design (3)**

This course examines the impact of planning law on the urban form of cities, both historically and in terms of contemporary professional practice. It surveys the impacts of planning regulations from Philip of Spain's "Laws of the Indies" at the beginning of American colonization through the development of English common law property rights, their extension to America and the development of zoning and planning legislation during the 20th century. Special attention is paid to current applications of form-based zoning codes in Britain and America and their implications for urban design and the patterns of settlement. *(Spring)*

**Elective Seminar Courses**

**MUDD 6213/6214. Topics in Urban History and Theory Elective (3)**

Study of topical areas of urban history and theory. May be repeated for credit as topics change. *(Fall, Spring)*

**MUDD 6050. Topics in Urban Design Elective (3)**

Study of topical areas of urbanism and urban design. May be repeated for credit as topics of course change. *(Fall, Spring + Summer [International study only])*

**MUDD 6100. Directed Independent Study (Variable credit 1-3)**

Prerequisite: permission of the Program Coordinator and the graduate faculty member advising the study. This course enables directed individual study and in-depth analysis of a special area related to the interests of the student and the expertise of the advising faculty member. May be taken once for credit towards degree. *(Fall, Spring, Summer)*

### **Other Miscellaneous Courses**

#### **MUDD 7999. Graduate Residence. (0)**

Prerequisite: Consent of the instructor(s) overseeing research and of the M.U.D Program Coordinator. Non-graded course to provide continuity of enrollment. Required of all Master's degree students in the Urban Design program who are working on a research project but are not enrolled in other graduate courses. (*Fall, Spring, Summer*)