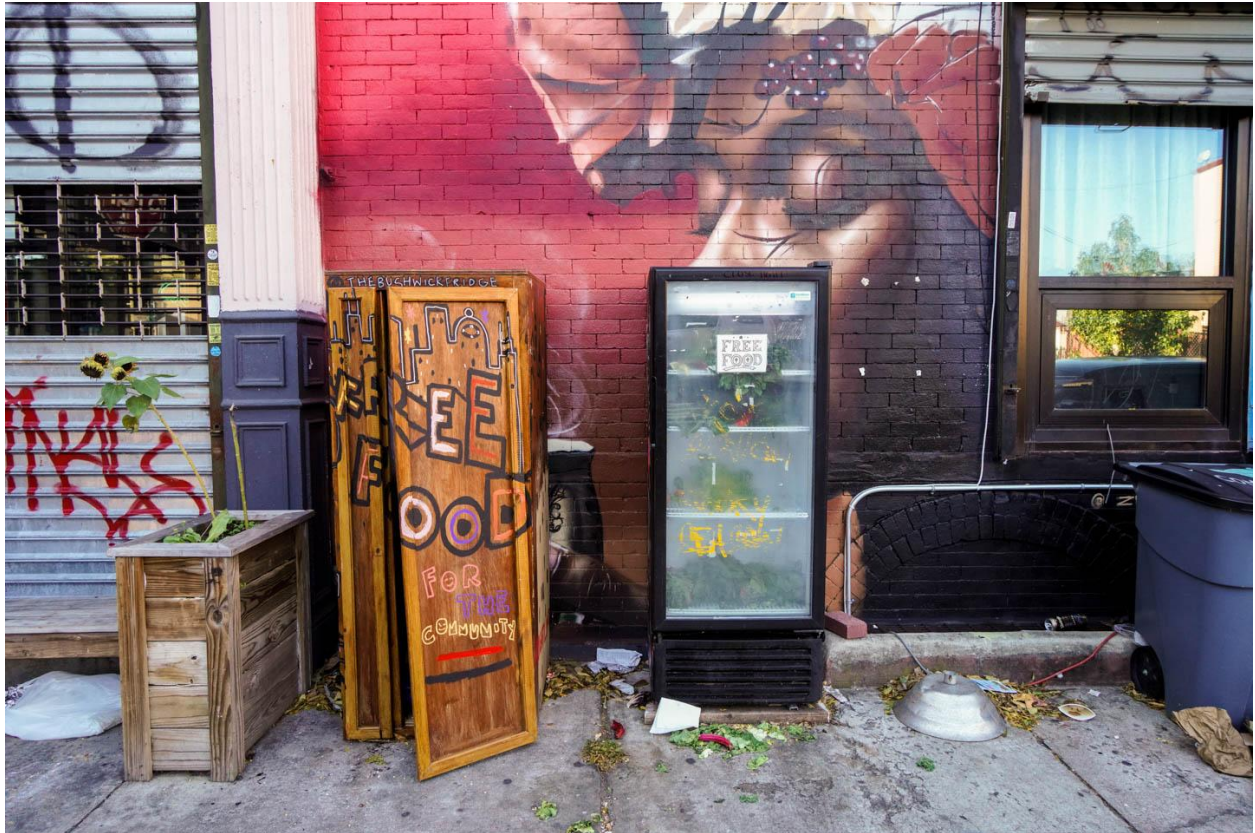


Space, Health, Justice

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How can architecture shape emancipatory prospects for human and more-than-human health in the face of the intersecting crises of racial capitalism, patriarchy, climate change, and epidemic disease? This course will offer critical perspectives on the relationships and spatial politics of health, ecology, and architecture — conceiving architecture as cultural imaginations and grounded inhabitations of space, rather than expert prescriptions or techno-fixes. Through readings, conversations, guest lectures, and individual research students will engage projects for place- and world-making that center health through the lens of abolition ecologies, decolonization, feminist praxis, healing, disability, and environmental justice, and more. We will learn from scholars, designers, artists, activists, and others whose work creates openings for radical care, restorative justice, and collective life “in the wake” as Christina Sharpe writes, of ongoing productions of (slow) violence, abandonment, and neglect.