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62-104: Design Ethics & Social Justice in Architecture

3 units

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This course is aimed at first year architecture students as an introduction to social justice and design ethics, and SoA's pedagogy around these issues. The course looks at architecture at multiple scales: global issues and the "grand challenges" of our time; body, race, privilege and identity; the architecture profession; and individual agency and political action.

Throughout the course, we will discuss how architecture and architects/designers are embedded and entangled in these issues. We will also look at how architects might address these issues and make positive contributions in current and future practice, both as citizens and as designers.

This course includes lectures, reading responses, small group discussions and team work. Class attendance and participation is required and an essential part of the course.