

Department of Urban Studies and Planning

Urban Design Studio Final Presentation

Wednesday, May 14, 2014, 4 PM - 6 PM

J. Paul Leonard Library, San Francisco State University, Room 282

Agenda

3:30 – Check-in

4:00 – Opening Remarks

Pietro Calogero, Lecturer, SF State Department of Urban Studies and Planning

4:05 – Introduction

Cody Hicks, Senior Planner, Urban Design Studio

4:10 – Presentation, Partial Closure Alternative

Kimberly Alas, Project Manager, Urban Designer

Haley Meisenholder, Environmental Consultant

4:30 – Presentation, Complete Closure Alternative

Jaime Cardenas, Project Manager, Urban Designer

Marcia Yuriar, Landscape Designer

4:50 – Concluding Remarks

Brenten Lovato, Senior Urban Designer, Urban Design Studio

— Reception to follow afterward. Location to be determined. —

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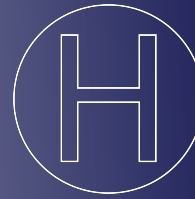
Wendy Bloom, Site Planner, SF State Capital Planning, Design & Construction

Liz Brisson, Senior Transportation Planner, San Francisco County Transportation Authority

Tony Bruzzone, Associate Principal, Transport Planning, Arup

Nick Kordesch, Sustainability Coordinator, SF State Office of Sustainability

Hans Sagan, Research and Urban Design Coordinator, Department of Architecture, Academy of Art University



The Urban Design Studio was born out of an overwhelming desire to learn how to design and understand our built environment. This class was created by students from various departments such as Urban Studies and Planning, Geography and Environment, and Environmental Studies, and from various backgrounds, including two international students bringing their perspectives and experiences to each team. The class was aided by the gracious help of Dr. Pietro Calogero and Dr. Fernando Burga. These ambitious students came together to create a class that they knew they were missing and to gain knowledge that they were hungry to absorb. The Urban Design Studio has given its students a competitive edge in career seeking by developing its students collaborative, technological, and presentation skills. The future of this class is unknown, but what is known is the great learning experience that this class was able to partake in. Our hope is that this class will continue, so that other students interested in urban design, architecture, and physical planning will have the same opportunity we have had here at SF State.

Biographies

Participants:

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Kimberly Alas is a senior Urban Studies and Planning student. She plans to pursue a career in project management post graduation.

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Justin Balenzuela is a fourth generation San Franciscan and an Urban Studies and Planning student with ambitions to work within permitting and zoning regulations in the Bay Area. He wants to understand zoning and permitting because they are the laws that manipulate a city's image, infrastructure and culture.

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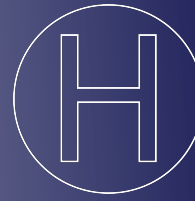
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Jaime Cardenas is originally from Riverside County (southern California). He's a senior majoring in Urban Studies and Planning and his long-term goal is to become a landscaping contractor. He'd like to retrofit suburbia in Southern California to be more sustainable.

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Zach Fahrney is an Urban Studies and Planning major from San Ramon, CA. When he grows up, he wants to be an urban designer.



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Cody Hicks is graduating this semester and double majored in Urban Studies and Planning and Environmental Studies. He'd like to work as a transportation planner and remain in the Bay Area.

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Irene Ho is a junior Urban Studies and Planning student with a Geography minor. As a Hong Kong native, she has developed strong interest in historic preservation, urban design and landscape architecture.

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DongKi is an international student from South Korea. He is graduating this semester.

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Natalie Lewis is from San Ramon, California. She is currently a senior at SF State and transferred here in 2012 after being accepted into the Urban Studies and Planning program. She plans on pursuing a career in transportation.

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Brenten Gust Lovato is majoring in Geography and Environment. He aspires to be physical planner/planning technologist.

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Haley Meisenholder, an Urban Studies and Planning major from Los Angeles, aspires to enter the urban design field in the Pacific Northwest.

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If Brandon isn't busy working on or thinking about urban theory and policy, then he's probably at home in Antioch making music or hanging out with his girlfriend. He'd like to work as a city planner after graduation.

Henry Pan • Senior Landscape Designer

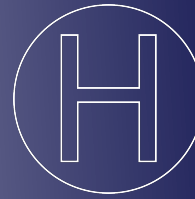
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Henry Pan is a graduating Urban Studies and Planning student, born and raised in San Francisco, CA to immigrant Chinese parents. He hopes to be an urban designer, or possibly a landscape architect or an architect, and loves researching the intricacies around transportation planning, photography, GIS mapping, and bicycling.

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Marcia Yuriar is from Morgan Hill, California. She is an Urban Studies and Planning student that finds architecture fascinating and aspires to either become a city planner or work on projects related to sustainable development.



Facilitators:

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Dr. Pietro Calogero studies the political philosophy of urbanism, but he is also an urban designer, architect, and prototyper. He is honored to be the coach of this insurgent educational process.

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H. Fernando Burga PhD is a lecturer at SF State Department of Urban Studies and Planning. He is an architect and urban designer with professional experience in projects including mixed-use residential developments, neighborhood planning and transit-oriented development. His research considers how immigrant communities leverage urban planning techniques to acquire political empowerment. Fernando has been a lecturer at San Jose State and UC Berkeley, where he coordinates the [IN]City summer program for sustainable planning.

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Liz Brisson, Senior Transportation Planner with the San Francisco County Transportation Authority, has six years of experience working on multi-modal planning efforts for local and regional government agencies and is the project manager for the 19th Avenue/M Ocean View Project.

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Hans Sagan, Research and Urban Design Coordinator for the Department of Architecture at the Academy of Art in San Francisco, is currently finishing his Ph.D. in architecture from the University of California, Berkeley on the built environment in law enforcement and spatial control over political protest under neoliberalism. He has taught Evidence-Based Design and Design Theory at the University of California, Media and Cultural Studies at the University of North Carolina, Media Studies and Cultural History at Duke University, and Urban Studies at San Francisco State University.

Presentations: