

Module Specification

Module Summary Information

1	Module Title	Designed Geographies
2	Module Credits	40
3	Module Level	7
4	Module Code	LAN 7340

5	Module Overview
<p>This module builds on the design capabilities achieved in the Designed Ecologies module and provides opportunities for students to develop design skills ensuring competencies in the design of new habitats, modification and adaptation of ecosystems and enrichment of the quality of Landscape spaces in urban, rural and geographies that cross a range of scales.</p> <p>The Designed Ecologies module develops foundation principles in Landscape Design, and a vocabulary to support language of design, and provides an understanding of cultural, economic and political context of the living landscape, and interfaces with the Designed Geographies module so that on successful completion of this module the student will be able to use theoretically driven and conceptually rich design process methodologies to how Landscape Architects can shape the future. The student will be able to respond with flair, sensitivity and imagination to develop design skills that can be used to resolve current and future threats to the integrity of the natural and built environment exploring key issues identified in the Landscape Institute policy statements, including Climate Change, Settlement Design, Green Infrastructure, Green Belt and Flooding.</p> <p>This is a design studio, which has a core activity to promote design process skills that prepare you for the Masters stage of this programme. Exit skills include self-guided learning, capabilities in groupwork and defining teamwork activities, develops an appreciation of multidisciplinary and collaborative working, the role of research and precedent inquiry to embed intellectual and thinking and ensures capabilities for employment in the marketplace.</p>	

6	Indicative Content
<p>The module provides an opportunity to develop and explore Landscapes in urban, rural and geographies that cross a range of scales. The nature of the project explores possibilities for group and individual tutorials, pin up presentations and lectures. The module provides opportunities for students to explore their own areas of interest throughout the design process.</p>	

7		Module Learning Outcomes
On successful completion of the module, students will be able to:		
	1	Apply design principles used by Landscape Architects within the context of Designed Geographies and their application to a process led narrative to improve the quality of our living landscape.
	2	Challenge current theory, concepts, principles and techniques to generate appropriate policies, strategies, plans or practical interventions, at a range of spatial and temporal scales
	3	Develop a versatile and sophisticated range of visual skills to communicate all stages of the design process to professional and lay audiences.
	4	Develop transferable skills, work effectively as an individual, using initiative, self-management, time and task management and personal reflection

8		Module Assessment		
Learning Outcome				
	Coursework	Exam	In-Person	
1-4	X			

9		Breakdown Learning and Teaching Activities
Learning Activities	Hours	
Scheduled Learning (SL) includes lectures, practical classes and workshops, peer group learning, Graduate+, as specified in timetable	120	
Directed Learning (DL) includes placements, work-based learning, external visits, on-line activity, Graduate+, peer learning, as directed on VLE	200	
Private Study (PS) includes preparation for exams	80	
Total Study Hours:	400	