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DESIGN FOR DEVELOPMENT

Architecture, Urban Planning and Heritage in the Global South

I and II level Specializing Master – 4th edition 2024/2025

CALENDAR *

MODULE A – CHALLENGES FOR INCLUSIVE AND SUSTAINABLE URBAN DEVELOPMENT IN THE GLOBAL SOUTH (Theory) (72 HOURS)

A.1	Nov., 20-22 2024	(online)
Wednesday 20th	02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	Mapping humanitarian sector and Introduction to the Theory of change
Thursday 21st	02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	Mapping humanitarian sector and Introduction to the Theory of change
Friday 22nd	02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	Mapping humanitarian sector and Introduction to the Theory of change
A.2	Dec., 4-6 2024	(online)
Wednesday 4th	02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	Theories and criticism
Thursday 5th	02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	Theories and criticism
Friday 6th	02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	Theories and criticism
A.3	Dec., 18-20 2024	(online)
Wednesday 18th	02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	Heritage in Danger
Thursday 19th	02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	Heritage in Danger
Friday 20th	02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	Heritage in Danger
A.4	Jan., 15-17 2025	(online)
Wednesday 15th	02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	From emergency to recovery
Thursday 16th	02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	From emergency to recovery
Friday 17th	02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	From emergency to recovery

A.5	Jan., 29-31 2025	(online)
Wednesday 29th	02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	Climate change and Urban resilience thinking
Thursday 30th	02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	Climate change and Urban resilience thinking
Friday 31st	02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	Climate change and Urban resilience thinking
A.6	Feb., 3-5 2025	(online)
Monday 3rd	02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	Slum upgrading housing
Tuesday 4th	02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	Slum upgrading housing
Wednesday 5th	02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	Slum upgrading housing

**MODULE B – CHALLENGES FOR INCLUSIVE AND SUSTAINABLE URBAN DEVELOPMENT
IN THE GLOBAL SOUTH (Tools)
(72 HOURS)**

B.1	Feb., 17-21 2025	(in Milan)
Monday 17th	09.15 AM – 01.15 PM 02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	Theory of Change and Project Cycle Management Theory of Change and Project Cycle Management
Tuesday 18th	09.15 AM – 01.15 PM 02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	Theory of Change and Project Cycle Management Theory of Change and Project Cycle Management
Wednesday 19th	09.15 AM – 01.15 PM 02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	Territorial analysis and mapping Territorial analysis and mapping
Thursday 20th	09.15 AM – 01.15 PM 02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	Territorial analysis and mapping Territorial analysis and mapping
Friday 21st	09.15 AM – 01.15 PM 02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	Territorial analysis and mapping Territorial analysis and mapping

MODULE C – DESIGN STUDIOS
(132 HOURS)

C.1	Mar., 10-17 2025	(in Milan)
Monday 10th	11.15 AM – 01.15 PM 02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	DESIGN STUDIO 1 – Urban Planning
From Tuesday 11th to Friday 14th	09.15 AM – 01.15 PM 02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	Strategies for protecting and enhancing cultural heritage in urban-rural areas in transition
Monday 17th	11.15 AM – 01.15 PM 02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	
C.2	Apr., 7-14 2025	(in Milan)
Monday 7th	11.15 AM – 01.15 PM 02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	DESIGN STUDIO 2 – Architecture
From Tuesday 8th to Friday 11th	09.15 AM – 01.15 PM 02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	Planning strategies for integrated regional development of rapidly urbanizing areas
Monday 14th	11.15 AM – 01.15 PM 02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	
C.3	May, 12-19 2025	(in Milan)
Monday 12th	11.15 AM – 01.15 PM 02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	DESIGN STUDIO 3 - Heritage
From Tuesday 13th to Friday 16th	09.15 AM – 01.15 PM 02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	Design strategies for housing and services in informal, precarious settlements
Monday 19th	11.15 AM – 01.15 PM 02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	

**MODULE B – CHALLENGES FOR INCLUSIVE AND SUSTAINABLE URBAN DEVELOPMENT
IN THE GLOBAL SOUTH (Tools)**
(72 HOURS)

B.2	Jun., 10-13 2025	(in Milan)
Tuesday 10th	09.30 AM – 01.00 PM 02.30 PM – 06.00 PM	Technologies and self construction
Wednesday 11th	09.30 AM – 01.00 PM 02.30 PM – 06.00 PM	Technologies and self construction
Thursday 12th	09.30 AM – 01.00 PM 02.30 PM – 06.00 PM	Technologies and self construction
Friday 13th	09.30 AM – 01.00 PM 02.30 PM – 06.00 PM	Technologies and self construction

MODULE D – ON THE GROUND DESIGN WORKSHOP (168 HOURS)		
D.1	Jun., 16-18 2025	Introduction and preparatory exercises (<i>in Milan</i>)
Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th	09.15 AM – 01.15 PM 02.30 AM – 06.30 PM	Preparatory Exercises
Wednesday 18th	09.15 AM – 01.15 PM	Preparatory Exercises
D.2	Jun., 19–Jul., 6 2025°	Workshop (<i>on the ground</i>)
Thursday 19th		Departure from Milan
Sunday 6th		Return to Milan
D.3	Jul., 8-11 2025	Post Workshop (<i>in Milan</i>)
From Tuesday 8th to Friday 11th	09.15 AM – 01.15 PM 02.30 PM – 06.30 PM	Postproduction and Final Critics

° Days may change depending on flight availability.

MODULE E – INTERNSHIP	
AT LEAST 350 HOURS	from July 2025

MODULE F – FINAL THESIS	
November 2025 – April 2026	
November 2025 - To be defined	Seminar final thesis presentation – session 1
February 2026 - To be defined	Seminar final thesis presentation – session 2
April 2026 - To be defined	Seminar final thesis presentation – session 3

* This calendar may be subject to changes due to organizational issues independent of the will of the Master Direction.