### Course Information / Description of the Course

This course introduces planning to be set in a broader context. We will approach planning history and theory from various angles including historically, by topic, academically, profession and location-based. Planning as a discipline is in the making and the transformation it has undergone since its formal institutionalization in the late 19th century is ongoing today. Why are we planning? The course provides a theoretical framework for discussions and practice. We will explore and evaluate the different theories, models, perspectives, technologies, forces and cultures that have and continue to shape the discipline. What does it mean to be a planner? The program is designed to address a range of aspects from indigenous planning to economic, environmental political and social aspects of occupying the land. We will shed light on how the debates around these topics have evolved and where they are today. Where does planning need to go? This course will provide a foundation for students to understand the theoretical and ethical frameworks and recognize the drivers behind the wider-ranging and multitude of roles for planners today. The starting point is the understanding that planning is a culturally defined role that operates at the dialectic intersection of society and space. As such, the course aims to elaborate on precisely those responsibilities that come with such a position. Is there space beyond planning?

### Learning Resources

The Reading list is available in Zotero to use them in your writings.


Technology requirements (D2L etc.):

- D2L
- Zotero (suggested) or equivalent bibliography software
- Top Hat
- Zoom
- Miro
Course Learning Outcomes

At the end of this course, students will be able to:

1. understand the history of the discipline in a broader context
2. understand the relationship between theory and practice
3. recognize key planning theories, concepts, critiques and individual contribution to the discipline
4. be able to explain the influences of contextual events on the discipline
5. understand the interconnectedness of the discipline with trends and other areas/fields
6. start to formulate their disciplinary area of interest
7. develop an individual critical position

Assessment Components

The course has three separate assignments designed as excessed to allow for more detailed exploration of a specific topic. While we will set up the task in class, the first two assignments are to be completed outside of class. The third assignment is an in-class writing response to set questions as a summary at the end of the course.

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<td>1</td>
<td>Participation</td>
<td>Weekly class and activity</td>
<td>20%</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Writing</td>
<td>Individual writing of a short speculative piece on the conditions that lead to a particular outcome. Based on Italo Calvino’s “Invisible Cities”. Speculation on conditions, individual work, max. 900 words, one illustration.</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Writing</td>
<td>Group project exploring the concept of the Neighbourhood Unit based on Clarance Perry’s paper “The Neighbourhood Unit” by dissecting the situation of an existing neighbourhood. Exploration of a case study, group work, max. 2500 words, two drawings/diagrams.</td>
<td>30%</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>Presentation</td>
<td>UrbanPlan group proposal for the city centre of York Town. This is a learning game where you will take on one of the roles as Financial Analyst, City Liaison, Site Planner, Marketing Director or Neighborhood Liaison and propose a development. You present to the City Council.</td>
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Assessment and Evaluation Information

Attendance and Participation Expectations:
All students in this course are expected to attend all lectures and actively participate in the various classroom activities. The course offers both synchronous and asynchronous modules.
Assignments have to be submitted on the due date via D2L, before 22:00. There is no Final Examinations, all grades are based on the assignments.

Expectations for Writing (https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/e-2.html):
The assessments 1-3 are based on written assignments. The quality of the writing plays an important role. Students are expected to use proper formatting and referencing for all their writing.

Late Assignments:
Late submission of assignment is not accepted.

### Grading Scale

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<td>A+</td>
<td>4.00</td>
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<td>95-100</td>
<td>Outstanding - evaluated by instructor</td>
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<td>A</td>
<td>4.00</td>
<td>3.85-4.00</td>
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<td>B-</td>
<td>2.70</td>
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<td>Minimum pass for students in the Faculty of Graduate Studies</td>
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<td>C+</td>
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<td>All final grades below B- are indicative of failure at the graduate level and cannot be counted toward Faculty of Graduate Studies course requirements.</td>
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A student who receives a "C-" or lower in any one course will be required to withdraw regardless of their grade point average (GPA) unless the program recommends otherwise. If the program permits the student to retake a failed course, the second grade will replace the initial grade in the calculation of the GPA, and both grades will appear on the transcript.
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<td>1</td>
<td>2022-01-10</td>
<td>Canada and Calgary Planning</td>
<td>This class is an introduction to the PHT course with a lecture providing an overview of planning in Canada and Calgary in particular. The lecture will outline a short history of Canadian planning, touching on the important milestones and discuss the key developments in theory and practice.</td>
<td>Calvino, I., 1997. Invisible Cities. New Ed ed. London: Vintage.</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>2022-01-24</td>
<td>Urban History and Early Settlement</td>
<td>This class focuses on an overview of planning from the origin of settlements through to late 19th century. The lecture is intended as an introduction and to create a platform for referencing the specific topics discussed later on in the course. The &quot;timeline&quot; activity recaps the material discussed and expands on the content with a research component.</td>
<td>Certzeau, M. de, 1984. Walking in the City. In: The Practice of Everyday Life. Berkeley, CA: University of California Press.pp.91–103.</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>2022-02-07</td>
<td>Space Concepts</td>
<td>This class develops the various notions around concepts of space. The lecture gives an overview of the various concepts that were put forward. In a practical setting different formalizations of space are being experimented with.</td>
<td>Hägerstrand, T., 1970. What About People in Regional Science? Papers in Regional Science, 24(1), pp.7–24.</td>
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<td>8</td>
<td>2022-03-07</td>
<td>Elements and Morphology</td>
<td>This class discusses the various different elements that make up a city and they role they play and how they come together as the morphology. The lecture details a range of different aspects using case studies. The activity focuses on the role of individual elements and possible resulting morphologies.</td>
<td>Alexander, C., 1966. A City Is Not a Tree. Design, London: Council of Industrial Design(206), pp.58–62.</td>
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9 2022-03-21 Technology, Complexity and Sustainability

This class is developing the role of technology in the context of sustainable planning. The lecture provides an overview of the historic development and current trends. We then explore individual developments or discoveries and their individual impact on planning and city building.


10 2022-03-29 Vision and Critique

This class develops an overview of the ideas and visions for planning that were put forward, often never realized. We discuss these as examples of a discipline that is not just practical but very much theoretical. Ideas, visioning and and values are as important as responding to trends and changing circumstances.


11 2022-04-04 Process and Planning Tools

This class introduces a timeline of changing planning tools and the resulting built environment. There will be a workshop on UrbanPlan in preparation of the final townhall presentation.

11 2022-04-12 UrbanPlan Review and Presentation

Media and Recording in Learning Environments

Part 1
University Calendar: [https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/e-6.html](https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/e-6.html)

Recording of lectures (other than audio recordings that are pre-arranged as part of an authorized accommodation) is not permitted.

Students may not record any portion of a lecture, class discussion or course-related learning activity without the prior and explicit written permission of the course instructor or authorization from Student Accessibility Services. For any other use, whether by duplication, transcription, publication, sale or transfer of recordings, written approval must be obtained from the instructor for the specific use proposed. Any use other than that described above constitutes academic misconduct and may result in suspension or expulsion.

Part 2
The instructor may use media recordings to capture the delivery of a lecture.

The instructor will notify all students and guests in the class that the event is being recorded. If a student or guest wants to take steps to protect privacy, and does not want to be recorded, the instructor will provide the individual(s) with an alternative means of participating and asking questions (e.g., passing written notes with questions). Students cannot be penalized for choosing not to be recorded in situations where participation is part of the course. Students must be offered other ways of earning participation credit that do not involve recording.

Any video-recording would be intended to only capture the instructor and the front of the classroom. Students/other participants would not necessarily be visible on video recordings.
University of Calgary Policies and Supports

ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATION
Students seeking an accommodation based on disability or medical concerns should contact Student Accessibility Services; SAS will process the request and issue letters of accommodation to instructors. For additional information on support services and accommodations for students with disabilities, visit www.ucalgary.ca/access/. Students who require an accommodation in relation to their coursework based on a protected ground other than disability should communicate this need in writing to their Instructor. The full policy on Student Accommodations is available at http://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/student-accommodation-policy.pdf.

ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT
Plagiarism involves submitting or presenting work in a course as if it were the student’s own work done expressly for that particular course when, in fact, it is not. Most commonly plagiarism exists when: (a) the work submitted or presented was done, in whole or in part, by an individual other than the one submitting or presenting the work, (b) parts of the work are taken from another source without reference to the original author, (c) the whole work (e.g., an essay) is copied from another source, and/or, (d) a student submits or presents work in one course which has also been submitted in another course (although it may be completely original with that student) without the knowledge of or prior agreement of the instructor involved. While it is recognized that scholarly work often involves reference to the ideas, data and conclusions of other scholars, intellectual honesty requires that such references be explicitly and clearly noted. Plagiarism is an extremely serious academic offence. Any suspicion of plagiarism will be reported to the Dean, and dealt with as per the regulations in the University of Calgary Graduate Calendar.
For information on academic misconduct and its consequences, please see the University of Calgary Calendar at http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVACY
Student information will be collected in accordance with typical (or usual) classroom practice. Students’ assignments will be accessible only by the authorized course faculty. Private information related to the individual student is treated with the utmost regard by the faculty at the University of Calgary.

UNIVERSITY STUDENT APPEALS OFFICE: If a student has a concern about the course, academic matter, or a grade that they have been assigned, they must first communicate this concern with the instructor. If the concern cannot be resolved with the instructor, the student can proceed with an academic appeal, which normally begins with the Faculty. https://ucalgary.ca/student-appeals/

More student support and resources (e.g. safety and wellness) can be found here: https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/registration/course-outlines