



YAŞAR UNIVERSITY
GRADUATE SCHOOL OF NATURAL AND APPLIED SCIENCES
MASTER OF INTERIOR ARCHITECTURE
DEPARTMENT
COURSE SYLLABUS

Course Title	Course Code	Semester	Course Hour/Week		Local Credit	ECTS
RESEARCH METHODS	INAR 503	Fall	Theory 3	Practice 0	3	7
CourseType	Required					
Language of Instruction	English					
Level of Course	Graduate Degree(Second Cycle)					
Mode of Delivery						
Prerequisites Course(s) (compulsory)	None					
Special Pre-Conditions of the Course(recommended)	None					
Course Coordinator						
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Course Web Site						
Aim(s) of Course						
This course aims to introduce research methods used in interior architecture field at graduate level. It is a hands-on class:students develop a research proposal in an area of their choice. As such it will be valuable for Master's students beginningto work on identifying a research topic and planning their work						
Course Content						
Different conceptual approaches, issues, or typologies are shaped within the framework of information gathering,sampling, analysis, and critical approaches to examine the professional-level academic writing preparation						
Learning Outcomes of the Course						
Upon successful completion of this course, the enrolled students will be gaining the following knowledge, skills and competences:						
1	To write a paper following a correct format					
2	To execute an academic research in a systematic and critical approach					
3	To write an academic article considering methods and research interests.					
4	To develop advanced writing skills.					
COURSE OUTLINE/SCHEDULE (Weekly)						

Week	Topics	Preliminary Preparation	Methodology and Implementation(Theory, practice, assignment etc.)
1	Introduction: Course objectives, types of research	Presentation	Theory
2	Topic for Proposed Research	Presentation	Theory
3	The Research Methods and Writing Format	Presentation	Theory
4	Narrowing Research Area	Presentation and discussion	Theory, assignment
5	Literature Review	Presentation and discussion	Theory, assignment
6	The Structure of Research: Outline	Presentation	Theory, assignment
7	Writing an Introduction	Presentation	Theory, assignment
8	MID_TERM	Exam questions	Exam
9	Objectives and Methods	Student Presentations	Theory, assignment
10	Results and Conclusion	Presentation	Theory, assignment
11	Language and Plagiarism	Presentation and discussion	Theory, assignment
12	Discussion	Comments on the papers	Theory, assignment
13	Final Research Paper- Draft Hand-in	Suggestions for improvement	Theory, assignment
14	Discussion	Comments on the draft papers	Theory, assignment
15	Final Hand-in	Submission criteria	Assignment

Resources

Required Course Material(s)/Reading(s)/Text Book(s)

- *Alexander, C., Timeless way of Building, Oxford University Press, 1979.
- Carroll, M. J., Scenario-Based Design: Envisioning Work and Technology in System Development., New York, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 1995.
- Chris, J., Design Method, New York, 1992.
- Hawkes, T. Structuralism and Semiotics, University of California Press, California, 1997.

Recommended Course Material(s)/Reading(s)/Other

- * Hubka, V., and Eder, W.,E. Design Science, London, 1997.
- Klaus Krippendorff, “An Introduction to Product Semantics”, 1998.
- Robert, D et all, Designing for the User with OVID: Bridging User Interface Design and Software Engineering.
- Shepherd, A. Hierarchical Task Analysis, CRC Press, 2000.

ASSESSMENT

Semester Activities/ Studies	NUMBE	WEIGHT in %
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Mid-Term	1	30
Attendance	0	0
Quiz	0	0
Assignment(s)	0	0
Project	1	40
Field Studies(Technical Visits)	0	0
Presentation/Seminar	2	30
Practice(Laboratory, Virtual Court,Studio Studies etc.)	0	0
Other(Placement/Internship etc.)	0	0
TOTAL	4	100
Contribution of Semester Activities/Studies to the Final Grade		40
Contribution of final Examination/final Project/Dissertation to the final Grade		60

CONTRIBUTION OF LEARNING OUTCOMES TO PROGRAMME OUTCOMES						
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No	Programme Outcomes	Level of Contribut 1-lowest 5- highest				
		1	2	3	4	5
1	To develop a clear question, uses abstract thoughts to express ideas, evaluates the opposing views and reaches valuable results.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2	To contribute valuable assets in the research field for the knowledge and practice of the teams from the academic and professional enviroment.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3	To work independently, develops learning skills that will help to complete the related research project.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4	To share findings and conclusions reachead in a staudy, in a systematic manner with the related or unrelated expert groups.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5	To show the dialitical thinking on social norms and relationships and can lead change.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6	To communicate verbally and in writing using at least one foreign language.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7	To use computer software programmes to interact with the advanced information and communication technologies in today's world.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
ECTS /STUDENT WORKLOAD						
ACTIVITIES		NUMBER	UNIT	HOUR	Total WorkLoad	
Course Teaching Hours(14 weeks*total course hours		14	Week	3	42	
Preliminary Preparation and finalizing of course notes, further self-study		4	Number	9	36	
Assignment(s)		2	Number	12	24	
Presentation/Seminar		1	Number	12	12	
Quiz		0	Number	0	0	
Mid-Term		1	Week	3	3	
Project		1	Number	20	20	
Field Studies(Technical Visits)		1	Number	6	6	
Practice(Laboratory, Virtual Court,Studio Studies etc.		0	Number	0	0	
Final Examination/ Final Project/ Dissertation andPreparation		1	Number	32	32	
Other(Placement/Intership etc.)		0	Number	0	0	
Total WorkLoad					175	
Total Workload/ 25					7,00	
ECTS					7	
ETHICAL RULES WITH REGARD TO THE COURSE (IF AVAILABLE)						
Minimum of %80 attendance required for passing grade. Late arrival and/or early departure from a session will be recorded as an absence.						
ASSESSMENT and EVALUATION METHODS:						
Final Grades will be determined according to the Yaşar University Graduate Degree Education and Examination Regulation						
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