

CRP 392 URBAN CONSERVATION PLANNING

Course Code:	1210392
METU Credit (Theoretical-Laboratory hours/week):	3(3-0)
ECTS Credit:	5.0
Department:	City And Regional Planning
Language of Instruction:	English
Level of Study:	Undergraduate
Course Coordinator:	Prof. Dr. Numan Tuna
Offered Semester:	Spring Semesters.

Course Objective

Conservation is becoming ever increasingly critical issue in urban areas. Therefore, urban conservation as an approach has been taken an interdisciplinary nature of field study in build environment since 1990s.

This course aims to provide the students of city and regional planning:

To introduce concepts and methods in the field of urban conservation,
To study all aspects of the historic urban areas from principles, policy analysis to project management and financial issues,
To familiarize the students with a broad understanding of the historic urban environment by typical case studies.

Course Content

Scope of Urban Conservation

Cultural Significance, Issues in Value Assessment, Assessing Significance;

Origins and development of the modern approach to the conservation and restoration of architectural heritage

Basic concepts of historic urban heritage conservation: Essential values of the heritage resource, historic time line, authenticity.

Treatment approaches to the management of cultural heritage; influences on treatments; principals of treatment related to authenticity in materials, workmanship, design, and setting; trends in practice

Designation of Cultural Importance Areas in Different Contexts: Architectural, Urban, Archaeological and Landscape Heritage;

Cultural resources from Turkish, Mediterranean and European contexts.

Integrated and Sustainable Urban Conservation Policies, Methods and Techniques of Urban Conservation

Conservation Plans, Conservation Area Appraisals, Conservation Area Action Plans, City Centre Conservation Areas: Reuse and Adaptation, Case studies,

Residential Conservation Areas, Key Issues, What Constitutes Good Infill Developments in Historic Urban Areas?

International Institutions and Documents (Charters, Conventions, Recommendations, Declarations, etc.)

Development of the Conservation Legislation in Turkey,

Recent Legal and Administrative Framework in Turkey.

Case studies of urban/archaeological conservation areas, examples of best practice

Learning Outcomes

At the end of the course unit, the learner is expected to achieve a good basic knowledge on urban conservation: methods and techniques, for their applications ensure the future of our historic cities. The course overviews contemporary thoughts in urban conservation discourse and its implications for the historic urban heritage within the context of European and Turkish build environment.