UP420: Planning for Historic Preservation
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COURSE DESCRIPTION
This course is designed to give students a good background in a variety of aspects of historic preservation from a planning perspective. While design issues are at the root of many things covered in class, the overall focus will be on local preservation ordinances, federal and state legislation, economic incentives, public participation, preservation within the context of comprehensive planning, media relations, and more. Though the concepts covered in class are illustrated through historic preservation examples, many topics translate well to general planning. Students need not have any experience in historic preservation, nor have any intention of becoming preservation planners. However, students should have an interest in learning about historic resources and the role they can have in our communities. Dealing with historic buildings and/or neighborhoods to some extent is virtually unavoidable in many planning and planning-related jobs. In fact, historic preservation could be a key element of neighborhood planning or economic development projects. Course content is organized into four components: An Overview of Historic Preservation: Establishing a Preservation Ethic, The Basics: Preservation Tools, The Local Level: Making Historic Preservation a Reality and The Future of Preservation. While one semester will not allow time for students to become experts in the numerous areas of the field, after completion of the class, students should have a very good working knowledge of historic preservation.

COURSE FORMAT
Class is taught in a lecture/discussion format; active discussion and questions are encouraged. We will have a few guest speakers who will bring interesting perspectives and experiences to class. Seeing historic buildings in varied condition and various uses is an important part of the learning experience. Class includes tours, most of which are required. Tours are scheduled during class time to the best extent possible, however some may be held on Fridays. We will discuss the timing and scheduling of tours in class to accommodate your schedules to the best extent possible.

READINGS
Detailed assignment instructions will include a grading rubric. The final exam will be comprehensive, and will consist of true/false and short answer questions.

ATTENDANCE AND PARTICIPATION
Attendance will be taken, and will contribute to your participation grade. Please provide verification from McKinley Health Center or from the Office of the Emergency Dean for extended illness and other issues. Up to two excused absences will not cause a loss of points. More than 5 absences will result in a zero for attendance and participation. Excessive absences (missing 8 or more classes) will result in an overall grade reduction for the course.

Participation through discussions is an important element of the class. Attendance for tours is expected. A variety of interiors will be featured on tours of downtown Urbana and downtown Champaign; the interiors will be spaces which you normally are not able to access, but some public spaces may also be included. The downtown tours provide you with the opportunity to see firsthand how historic buildings have been adaptively used in Urbana and Champaign, as well as seeing underutilized spaces in need of rehabilitation. In many cases, the property owner/developer of the buildings will participate in our tours. An additional walking tour of either the West Urbana Neighborhood or your survey area--Clark Park in Champaign--will be included. The purpose of this tour is to assist you with your second assignment. We will practice describing buildings, look at building materials, review architectural styles and vernacular building types, and discuss neighborhood issues.

CLASS PROCEDURES
• Please remember to turn off cell phones before lectures.
• The use of computers in class must be for note taking.
• Please be considerate of your fellow students and instructor by being on time to class.

This syllabus includes meetings, conferences, and other events related to historic preservation. You are encouraged to participate in as many of these opportunities as possible to enhance your classroom experience. Other meetings may be announced in class. Please note that the Champaign and Urbana Historic Preservation Commission meetings are sometimes cancelled; cancellations will be announced in class and posted on Illinois Compass to the best extent possible.

This syllabus is subject to change, especially with regard to guest speakers and tours.
COURSE OUTLINE

**An Overview of Historic Preservation: Establishing a Preservation Ethic**

**Tues., Aug. 25**  
INTRODUCTION: A review of semester topics. Class survey/discussion of experiences with historic preservation.  
HISTORIC RESOURCES: What are they?  
(Assignment #1 given)

**Thurs., Aug. 27**  
READING  
**Tyler, Chapter One/Introduction, pp. 11 - 25**  
**Tyler, part of Chapter Seven/Intervention Approaches, pp. 189 - 202**  
**Rypkema - Intro, Chapters 1, 2, and 9, pp. 1 - 10; 89 - 100**

**Tues., Sept. 1**  
READING  
**Tyler, Chapter Two/The Preservation Movement, pp. 27 - 62**

**Wed., Sept. 2**  
**Urbana Historic Preservation Commission meeting, 7:00 p.m.**  
**Urbana City Building, 400 South Vine, City Council Chambers**  
**Also shown live on cable access channel 6.**

**Thurs., Sept. 3**  
NATIONAL AND STATE AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS.  
The preservation network and how it works.

**Thurs., Sept. 3**  
**Champaign Historic Preservation Commission meeting, 4:00 p.m.,**  
**Champaign City Building, 102 North Neil Street, City Council Chambers.**  
**Also shown live on cable access channel 5.**

**Tues., Sept. 8**  
GUEST SPEAKER: Mike Jackson, FAIA, Chief Architect, Illinois Historic Preservation Agency, Preservation Services Division  
**The Original Green: Including Historic Preservation in Sustainability**  
**Tyler, Chapter Ten/Sustainability, pp. 299 - 320**

**Thurs., Sept. 10**  
DOWNTOWNS: CHAMPAIGN AND URBANA. Discussion of the role of historic resources in our community.  
**ASSIGNMENT #1 DUE.**

**Tues., Sept. 15**  
DOWNTOWN URBANA TOUR #1. Class meets at 115 W. Main Street, **9:00 a.m.**

**The Basics: Preservation Tools**

**Thurs., Sept. 17**  
READING  
**Tyler, part of Chapter Seven/Research & Documentation, pp. 202 - 220**  
**COMPASS Ohio, pp. 18, 36 - 41**
(Assignment #2 given)
READING      Tyler, Chapter Five/Designation, pp. 135 - 154
ON-LINE     See http://www.nps.gov/history/nr/publications/.

    Seriously browse National Register Bulletin 15: How to Apply the National Register Criteria for Evaluation
    enough to grasp the Criteria and Criteria considerations

    Seriously browse National Register Bulletin 16A: How to Complete the National Register Registration Form

Thurs., Sept. 24  DOWNTOWN CHAMPAIGN TOUR #1: Mellander-owned properties
      Meet at Precision Graphics, 106 S. Neil St., 9:00 a.m.
      Tour itinerary will be posted on Compass.

Tues., Sept. 29  ARCHITECTURAL STYLES. Building terminology.
READING      Tyler, part of Chapter Three/Architectural Styles, pp. 63 - 103
COMPASS     Ohio, pp. 57 - 72, 73 - 119

Thursday, Oct. 1  VERNACULAR BUILDING TYPES. Building terminology.
      Ohio, pp. “High Style, Elements, Vernacular Architecture, Local Context,” pp. 73 - 77 and 121 - 165

(Thurs., Oct. 1)  Champaign Historic Preservation Commission meeting.


Tues., Oct. 6  REVIEW AND COMPLIANCE. Section 106 and State Law 707.
READING      Tyler, review pp. 51 - 53
COMPASS     Historic Preservation (the campus historic preservation plan), University of Illinois, 2 volumes
      Brian Adams, Ph.D., Assistant Director - Statewide Surveys
      Illinois State Archeological Survey; Author, Joseph William Royer, Urbana’s Architect

      Marriott Hotel + Conference Center


Thurs., Oct. 8  Class canceled. APA IL Conference

      Above the Ground: What gets Reviewed and What can Happen

Thurs., Oct. 15  ECONOMIC INCENTIVES AND FUNDING FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION.
READING      Tyler, Chapter Eight/Preservation Economics, pp. 237 - 268
Rypkema, Chapter Three/Economic Development, pp. 11 - 30

Fri., Oct. 16  DOWNTOWN URBANA TOUR #2 (weather and interest permitting)
Tues., Oct. 20  ECONOMIC INCENTIVES AND FUNDING FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION, continued.

on-line  THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR'S STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES. DESIGN REVIEW/DESIGN GUIDELINES. BUILDING CODES.
READING  Tyler, remainder Chapter Three/Context & Design Guidelines, pp. 103 - 119
              Tyler, remainder Chapter Seven/Technology, pp. 221 - 236

The Local Level: Making Historic Preservation a Reality

Thurs., Oct. 22  PRESERVATION PLANS AND PRESERVATION COMPONENTS IN COMPREHENSIVE PLANS.
READING  Tyler, part of Chapter Nine/Preservation Planning, pp. 269 - 294
              Rypkema, Chapter Four/Public Policy, pp. 31 - 52
              Rypkema, Chapter Six/Housing and Neighborhoods, pp. 63 - 72
COMPASS  Urbana Historic Preservation Plan
ASSIGNMENT #2 DUE.

(Fri., Oct. 23)*  Illinois Historic Sites Advisory Council/IHSAC meets in Springfield to review National Register nominations.

Tues., Oct. 27  No class. You are encouraged to participate in the Arts Exchange on Tuesday, October 27 and Wednesday, October 28. See https://faa.illinois.edu/current-students/arts-exchange for more. At the date of this syllabus, the tour of the Solon House was tentatively scheduled for Tues., 3 - 4:30 p.m. This may be your only chance to see the house; you are encourage to sign up for this tour.

Thurs., Oct. 29  HISTORIC PRESERVATION ORDINANCES AND COMMISSIONS.
READING  Tyler, Chapter Six/Historic Districts and Ordinances, pp. 155 - 188

Fri., Oct. 30  DOWNTOWN CHAMPAIGN TOUR #2 (weather and interest permitting)

(Nov. 1 - 5)  APT/The Association for Preservation Technology International
              Convergence of People and Place: Diverse Preservation Technologies and Practices
              Kansas City

Tues., Nov. 3  HISTORIC PRESERVATION ORDINANCES AND COMMISSIONS, continued.
Past Forward: National Preservation Conference 2015
Washington, D.C.
http://www.preservationnation.org/resources/training/npc/#.VdT3q0Y1Z40

Urbana Historic Preservation Commission meeting, 7:00 p.m.

LEGAL ISSUES.

READING
Tyler, Chapter Four/The Legal Basis, pp. 121 - 134

Champaign Historic Preservation Commission meeting, 4:00 p.m.

CHAMPAIGN THEATRES TOUR (weather and interest permitting)

GUEST SPEAKER: Frank Butterfield, Director, Springfield Field Office, Landmarks Illinois
A Statewide Non-Profit Perspective of Historic Preservation at the Local Level

MAIN STREET PROGRAMS.

READING
Rypkema, Chapter Five/Downtown Revitalization, pp. 53 - 62
Rypkema, Chapter Seven/Business District Revitalization, pp. 73 - 76

ADVOCACY, PUBLICITY, PROMOTION.

ASSIGNMENT #3 DUE.
Rypkema, Chapter 11/Why, What, When, and Where, pp. 107 - 116

HERITAGE TOURISM.

READING
Tyler, Chapter Eleven/Heritage Tourism, Heritage Areas, pp. 321 - 335
Rypkema, Chapter Eight/Tourism Strategy, pp. 77 - 87

RURAL CONSERVATION. ANTI-SPRAWL EFFORTS.

READING
Tyler, part of Chapter Eight/Urban Growth Boundaries, 294 - 297
Rypkema, Chapter 10/Economics of the 21st Century, pp. 101 - 106

FALL BREAK

The Future of Preservation

World Heritage Sites: UNESCO

Urbana Historic Preservation Commission meeting, 7:00 p.m.

What’s Next? Incentives, a corporation model and more

Champaign Historic Preservation Commission meeting, 4:00 p.m.

SUMMARY. Final Exam review.
LAST REGULAR CLASS SESSION.

READING DAY
Mon., Dec. 14

FINAL EXAM
1:30 - 4:30 p.m.
Room 223