

Architecture Philosophy and Theory

MSc 2_ Architecture and Philosophy Lecture Seminar



Endosymbiosis: Homage to Lynn Margulis, a painting by Shoshanah Dubiner.

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| Location | ----- |
| Excursion | No** |
| Costs | ----- |

A common (mis)understanding is that Architecture is active practice, while Philosophy is passive contemplation. In this course we will correct this misunderstanding, approaching philosophy and architecture from unexpected and fresh angles. We will see how both are engaged in a dynamic process of exchange and transformation: where philosophy encourages us to think otherwise, to produce concepts and experiment with problems, architecture provides a framework and a field of operations.

Students in this course will be introduced to a host of concepts through a slow, collective reading of three short texts. In these texts, we will examine current issues and concerns that may be articulated through philosophy and architectural thinking. Examples of such issues are the complex, trans-disciplinary encounters of technology, culture, the environment, architecture and so on.

Students in this course will be encouraged to 'freely associate' thoughts that emerge from the reading of these texts. In this way, participants in this elective lecture seminar will engage in rich conversations and group discussions on many areas and fields of knowledge that intersect in areas that relate to architecture, understood as the design of the lived environment, present and future.