GHENT UNIVERSITY

Course Specifications

Valid as from the academic year 2026-2027

Research Seminar: Architecture (E081660)

Course size *(nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)*

Credits 5.0 **Study time 150 h**

Course offerings in academic year 2026-2027

A (semester 1)	English	Gent
B (semester 2)	English	Gent

Lecturers in academic year 2026-2027

Davidts, Wouter	TW01	lecturer-in-charge

Offered in the following programmes in 2026-2027	**crdts**	**offering**
Master of Arts in Art History, Musicology and Theatre Studies	5	A, B
Master of Science in Engineering: Architecture	5	A, B
Exchange Programme Architecture	5	A, B

Teaching languages

English

Keywords

architecture, interdisciplinarity, methodology of scientific research

Position of the course

This Research Seminar focusses on a specific research subject related to the broad field of architecture. In this course, students are introduced into the methodology of scientific research. The teaching format of the seminar, which stimulates a continuous interaction between teacher and student, is considered essential to the learning process.

Contents

The content of the research subjects varies each year, responding to current research, contemporary debates, exhibitions and conferences. The subjects, introduced through a number of lectures, are situated within the broad field of architecture and cross the boundaries of individual research fields. The interdisciplinary character of architecture is at the core of this course.

Initial competences

Being in the possession of a Bachelor of Science in Engineering: Architecture, or meeting the admission requirements for the Master of Science in Engineering: Architecture, or having acquired these competences in a different way.

Final competences

1 Formulating a research question, and developing an appropriate research method.
2 Gaining insight into the methods of scientific research and research by design.
3 Applying the methods of scientific research and research by design in an independent way.
4 Processing the results of this research into a coherent report.
5 Reporting through scientific and design-related means on a complex research question.

Conditions for credit contract

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is determined after successful competences assessment

Conditions for exam contract

This course unit cannot be taken via an exam contract

Teaching methods

Group work, Seminar, Excursion, Lecture, Independent work, Peer teaching

Study material

None

References

Course content-related study coaching

Assessment moments

continuous assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the first examination period

Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the second examination period

Examination methods in case of permanent assessment

Participation, Presentation, Peer and/or self assessment, Assignment

Possibilities of retake in case of permanent assessment

not applicable

Calculation of the examination mark

- Continuous assessment (first examination period): 100%
- Continuous assessment (second examination period): the mark is the weighted average of the permanent evaluation in the first examination period and the additional task. If students do not take the resit possibility, the final mark for the first examination period is the resit mark.