Instructor:
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Office Hours:
Tuesdays-Thursdays from 1-2pm

Instructor intends to be available for entire lecture and lab periods from 2-5 pm Tuesdays and Thursdays. Students should feel free to utilize this time for personal assistance. If private discussions are required, students may utilize above noted office hours or make an appointment through email.

Text (Mandatory):

Blackboard Site:
Currently under development

Course Description:
This course will introduce students to the art and science of landscape design by combining ideal principles and practices with a touch of realism from the landscape industry. Attention will be placed upon the basic skills required to “read” site conditions, understand and develop plan drawings, and presentation of skills and ideas.
To be successful in this course a student must have good time management skills, moderate drawing ability, an eagerness to participate in lecture and lab discussions/activities, and demonstrate an interest in utilizing tools and resources to create functionally aesthetic landscape designs.

Course Objectives:
1. To develop an appreciation of landscape design/architecture as both an aesthetic and functional art form
2. To obtain a working knowledge of basic landscape design principles and practices and be able to demonstrate through development of plan drawings
3. To develop a working knowledge of, and be able to identify, classical and modern landscape styles and practices
4. To distinguish between basic plant types and be able to utilize these differences to achieve the desired results
5. To obtain a basic knowledge of the form and function of various hardscaping materials and structures
6. To develop an understanding of site conditions and how they affect overall design concepts
7. To utilize various drafting tools to develop a functionally aesthetic landscape design
8. To utilize all skills taught to adequately survey a site, develop a landscape plan, and present original concepts to an individual or group

Course Format:
Tuesday and Thursday meet in 3-24 Agriculture Building from 2 pm -5 pm
Each day will start with one hour of lecture/discussion followed by 2 hours of lab work. Students will be expected to remain present during lab hours unless all currently assigned work is complete. Homework will be kept to a minimum consisting primarily of reading accompanying chapters in the text.

Assignments:
Each week of class will contain a working assignment aimed at increasing your skills as a landscape designer. All work will be assigned at the end of lecture on Tuesdays and will be due by the end of lab on Thursday. Late work will be accepted with a 10% penalty per day (including weekends). Any assignment late more than 5 days will not be accepted and zero points will be awarded.

Attendance:
Attendance and participation is expected from every student during all scheduled lecture and lab times. Any student anticipating an absence during the semester will need to make arrangements with the instructor prior to the absence. The student will be responsible for obtaining or making up any missed assignments quizzes, or tests during approved absences. There will be no make-up opportunities for pop quizzes.

Exams:
Exams will be cumulative and consist of a combination of formats. Students will be tested on information provided from lectures, lab assignments, text or outside assigned reading, guest speakers, and fieldtrips.

Approved absences and make-ups for exams will be very rare. If a make-up exam is granted, the time for the exam will precede scheduled date for the exam.

Unexcused absences on test day will result in zero points awarded for that exam.

Course Components:
3 unit exams 300 points
5 pop quizzes 100 points
14 weekly assignments 280 points
Field trip attendance points 150 points
1 final assignment/presentation 200 points

Total Points: 1030 points
Total points may vary due to unforeseen changes during the semester. The grading scale however will not vary.

Grading Scale:
A+ Above 98% total course points C+ 78-79% total course points
A 93-97% total course points C 73-77% total course points
A- 90-92% total course points C- 70-72% total course points
B+ 88-89% total course points D+ 68-69% total course points
B 83-87% total course points D 63-67% total course points
B- 80-82% total course points D- 60-62% total course points
F less than 60% total course points
ADA Special Needs: If you need accommodations because of a disability, if you have emergency medical information to share with me, or if you need special arrangements in case the building must be evacuated, please inform me immediately. Please see me privately after class.

To request academic accommodations (for example, a notetaker), students must register with the Office of Disability Services, (http://disabilityservices.missouri.edu/), 55 Memorial Union, 882-4696. It is the campus office responsible for reviewing documentation provided by students requesting academic accommodations, and for accommodations planning in cooperation with students and instructors, as needed and consistent with course requirements. For other MU resources, for students with disabilities, click on “Disability Resources” on the MU homepage.

Academic Dishonesty: Academic integrity is fundamental to the activities and principles of a university. All members of the academic community must be confident that each person’s work has been responsibly and honorably acquired, developed, and presented. Any effort to gain an advantage not given to all students is dishonest whether or not the effort is successful. The academic community regards breaches of the academic integrity rules as extremely serious matters. Sanctions for such a breach may include academic sanctions from the instructor, including failing the course for any violation, to disciplinary sanctions ranging from probation to expulsion. When in doubt about plagiarism, paraphrasing, quoting, collaboration, or any other form of cheating, consult the course instructor.

Intellectual Pluralism: The University community welcomes intellectual diversity and respects student rights. Students who have questions concerning the quality of instruction in this class may address concerns to either the Divisional Director of the Office of Students Rights and Responsibilities (http://osrr.missouri.edu/). All students will have the opportunity to submit an anonymous evaluation of the instructor(s) at the end of the course.