

## **LAR 534 - Operative Landscapes**

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Tuesday/Thursday 2:10-4:10 pm, Room: AA 325

Contemporary challenges posed by urbanization, climate dynamics, evolving economies and social paradigms have changed the demands placed on the designed landscape. Landscape architects around the world have risen to this challenge, revealing new possibilities for the economic, social and environmental performance of landscapes in public, private and infrastructural territories.

This course examines the historical contexts and emergent theories driving this shift in the practice of landscape architecture. The course uses contemporary projects as a basis for understanding multi-scalar design approaches, technical details and maintenance regimes. Emphasis will be placed on built landscapes and living systems as integral parts of more dynamic approaches to landscape design, implementation and management across scales from the site to the watershed.

This class has no prereqs and is open to all students with permission of the instructor.