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Course name: THEORY OF ARCHITECTURE 4
Course code: ARCH 346
Course hours: Credit hours 2, Contact hours 2
Course Pre-requisites: ARCH 245

Course Description

This course introduces student to architecture theories and how they were evolved? and what are the environment, events and inventions that trigger the various architectural movements. Specifically, it focuses on the Postmodern architecture and related schools and movements. The course is taught through PowerPoint presentation, class discussion and activities. During the course students do research and develop poster of selected architects and schools. Furthermore, students write essays to answer related critical questions.

Course Main Objective

In this course, the students will be to:
- Understand how architecture styles and movements evolved.
- Understand the relationship between architecture and social, and economic environments.
- Understand postmodern architecture movements.
- Learn the design concepts that produce famous buildings during postmodern age.
- Enable students to follow the footsteps of architecture pioneers.
- Learn styles, concepts and philosophy of postmodern architecture pioneers.
- Know about various Saudi buildings that designed according to postmodern architecture.

Course Learning Outcomes

After the completion of this course, the students will be able to;
- Describe Postmodern architecture movements.
- Define the design concepts that produce famous buildings during Postmodern age.
- Recognize styles, concepts and philosophy of Postmodern architecture pioneers.
- Analyze and critic architecture rather than just describe.
- Demonstrate Postmodern architecture trends and movements.

Course evaluation
- Quizzes, practical assignments
- Weekly/biweekly reviews
- Midterm examination
- Attendance
- Final examination

Course recommended books
- Jencks, C. (2011). The story of Post- Modernism, Wiley.[[[[

Course References
- Molinari, L. (2015). Architecture movements and trends from the 19th century to the present, Skira.
- Jencks, C. (1991). The language of post-modern architecture, Rizzoli.
- Conway, H. et al (1994). Understanding architecture: an introduction to architecture and architectural history, Routledge, London.
- Risebero, Bill. (2001). The Story of Western Architecture, Mit Press.