



# F1A5031 Concepts and Theories in Architecture 7.5 credits

Arkitekturens begrepp och teorier

This is a translation of the Swedish, legally binding, course syllabus.

## Establishment

Course syllabus for F1A5031 valid from Autumn 2013

## Grading scale

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## Education cycle

Third cycle

## Specific prerequisites

### Prerequisites

In order to follow the course a student must have completed a Masters' degree in Architecture or adjoining fields, or have an equivalent level of education.

## Language of instruction

The language of instruction is specified in the course offering information in the course catalogue.

## Intended learning outcomes

After completing the course the doctoral student should be able to

- Make an overview description of architecture theory historically
- Make an overview description of contemporary concepts and theories in architecture
- Identify and discuss central problems within concurrent research directions in architecture
- Make a thorough description of one or a select number of specific theories
- Relate and critically reflect over one's own research project to historic and contemporary discourses in Architecture research

## Course contents

The doctoral course Concepts and Theories in Architecture aims to give the student a wide and deep understanding of concepts and theories in the field of architecture and how these relate to adjoining fields. The course will give a good overview of different developing and concurrently used concepts and theories at the same time as considerable weight is given to knowledge and understanding of the long history, background and development of the field. The course also contains a focused deeper study related to the student's own project or interest.

The course consists of one historically focused part and one part focused on contemporary theory of approximately 3 credits each. The concurrent part on contemporary theory includes concepts and theories of the different specializations active at the School of Architecture. These parts follow a structure that requires preparation and active participation of the students. In addition, students are expected to make an individual, deeper study. Specific layout and requirements are defined in the announcement each time the course is run.

## Course literature

Course literature will be announced in the course PM each time the course is run.

## Examination

Based on recommendation from KTH's coordinator for disabilities, the examiner will decide how to adapt an examination for students with documented disability.

The examiner may apply another examination format when re-examining individual students.

If the course is discontinued, students may request to be examined during the following two academic years.

## Other requirements for final grade

The course is examined through active participation in seminars and submissions, presentations, and the writing of essays. Participation in all examining events is required, as well as the completion of all submissions and presentations. The course is graded P/F. The course

is compulsory within the Doctoral Programme in Architecture. Examiner for each iteration of the course is defined in the course PM

## **Ethical approach**

- All members of a group are responsible for the group's work.
- In any assessment, every student shall honestly disclose any help received and sources used.
- In an oral assessment, every student shall be able to present and answer questions about the entire assignment and solution.