

Course Overview

Course readings

There are two mandatory course texts and additional readings will be posted on the CourseSpaces site. Reading - and engaging with the readings (highlighting, underlining, taking good notes etc.) – is essential for your enjoyment of and success in this course.

1. Schwarz, M. & Krabbendam, D., B. 2014. *Sustainist Design Guide*.
2. Montgomery, C. 2013. *Happy City: Transforming Our Lives Through Urban Design*.

Notes on learning expectations

1. Think deeply about why you are here and what you want to get out of your experience at UVic in the short time you'll be here. Use this time wisely to develop marketable skills and good habits - e.g. effective written, visual and oral communication, critical thinking*, problem solving, empathic listening, organization, perseverance, and initiative.
2. I consider such skill development and good habit formation as being at least as important as content mastery in this course. While I want you to learn important things about sustainable communities, I also want you to develop particular skills and habits. Keep in mind employers are much more concerned with your skills and habits than your marks.

Weekly schedule

WEEK	DATE	Class Description
1		<p><i>Readings: Donella Meadows (1994) "Envisioning a Sustainable World"</i></p> <p><i>Text: M. Schwarz and D. Krabbendam (2014) Sustainist Design Guide – Preface and CH 1</i></p>
2		<p><i>Readings: Text: M. Schwarz and D. Krabbendam (2014) Sustainist Design Guide –CH 2 & 3</i></p> <p><i>Guest lecture TBD</i></p>

3 **January 20: Sustainist Design Quiz – (10%)**

