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Critical Design: Practice, Space & Place in Berlin

DES 338 / 438 / 538 (*3) | Aidan Rowe
August 3-24, 2016

Are you interested in design as an agent of powerful societal critique and change?

Critical design questions the traditional practice of design as an affirmative, reactive and consumerist focused practice; it repositions design as an active and critical process. In this course you will investigate these changing possibilities for design. You will reposition design to begin at the deliberate identification of problems, followed by intentional problem solving. In doing so you will challenge existing realms of power becoming, as a designer, a critical force.

A wide variety of design outcomes and outputs will be explored. Students can work across a range of design areas including—but not limited to—product, visual communication, industrial, interactive and experience design.

This course takes advantage of the histories, spaces and places of Berlin as a centre for critical practice and experimentation. Studio time will be complemented with expeditions interrogating contemporary practice and working with designers and studios in the city.

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