

WINTER 2009 GRADUATE SEMINAR
FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS IN LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE, ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN,
GEOGRAPHY, TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, SOCIOLOGY,
HORTICULTURE AND RELATED GRADUATE GROUPS

THEORY & PHILOSOPHY OF THE DESIGNED ENVIRONMENT

LDA 201



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This introductory graduate seminar will examine major theories and ideas of environmental design and planning. The epistemology of design will serve as a framework to review critical theory in contemporary landscape architecture, architecture, planning, and urban design. Normative theories of design and planning will be reviewed along with relevant theories from the social and environmental sciences. The seminar will include an afternoon field trip to San Francisco and an all day field trip to Seattle, Portland or Los Angeles funded by the UC Sustainable Transportation Center. The texts for the seminar are *Theory in Landscape Architecture* by Simon Swaffield; *On Landscapes* by Susan Herrington; *Recovering Landscape: Essays in Contemporary Landscape Architecture* by James Corner; *Design for Ecological Democracy* by Randy Hester; and *Good City Form* by Kevin Lynch.

Fridays 1 - 4 PM. First Meeting: Friday, January 9, 1 PM in 166 Hunt Hall. For more information, contact Mark Francis at 752-6031 or mofrancis@ucdavis.edu.