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Master Degree in Product Design

Course catalogue

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English version
Bachelor Degree in Product Design

1° YEAR

Social Anthropology
Design culture
Mass communication
Technological innovation
Design

2° YEAR

Project Management
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Manufacturing Processes
Marketing
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OPTIONAL

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Eco Design
Interaction Design
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Fashion Design
1° YEAR Master in Product Design

**Discipline**
Social Anthropology

**Lecturer**
Francesca Bianchi

**Schedule**
4 hour a week in the 1° semester

**Credits**
5

**Study plan**
curricular

**Educational goals**
This course considers some of the most relevant social phenomena arising with the advent of modernity or late modernity. The educational goal is to present, in all of their complexity, the main issues which characterise our social reality. The first part of the course addresses the causes that led to the development of the discipline, then the main social and cultural topics which are most significant to contemporary society will be analysed. Then, in cooperation with other courses, some relevant themes for design will be examined in order to provide students with a theoretical/critical support according to their work.

**Course content**
The main topics which will be examined are the development of the discipline, the analysis of the risk society and the social dynamics linked to the emergence of new types of individuals/consumers, most active and critical, as well as interested in new methods of cooperation and sharing processes. The course will question the sense of existential, cognitive and physical uncertainty that characterises individual life and the effects of crisis, not only the economic, experimented in contemporary society but also the new opportunities for individuals.

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**Methods and evaluation criteria**
The lecturer will evaluate the student’s knowledge learned during the first part of the course, together with the critical/interpretive capacities shown during exercises and the final exam. The modality of examination allows the students to learn and prepare during the course (in this way they arriving at the exam having already prepared the work useful for the evaluation).

**Bibliography**
G. Dall’Ö (2014), Smart city, Bologna, il Mulino.
1° YEAR Master in Product Design

**Discipline**

**Design culture**

**Lecturer**

Arabella S. Natalini

**Schedule**

4 hour a week in the 1° semester

**Credits**

5

**Study plan**

curricular

**Educational goals**

Starting from a critical orientation towards knowledge of the Visual Arts of the 20th and 21st centuries, the course intends to facilitate the development of a theoretical base that will support the elaboration of an articulate creative process and the completion of a project.

**Course content**

A concise analysis of the historical and cultural basis of artists, movements and trends, from the 50’s to date, will be examined with the support of reproductions of art works and artifacts.

Specific consideration will be dedicated to installation practices, as paradigmatic moments for creating critical thought, by its disclosure, public education and its continuous re-orientation. Case studies of recent exhibitions will be identified, going through their genesis, development and results.

During initial lectures, some key words and themes used in contemporary art debate will be discussed in order to provide starting points that could help critical investigation, intellectual curiosity and possible paths of personal research.

Lectures

Planned visit to one or more contemporary art exhibitions is foreseen. Dates to be agreed.

The students will be asked to produce and present a monograph short essay, through the use of images. Themes and dates to be agreed.

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**Methods and evaluation criteria**

The grade of the short essay will average out with the oral exam, to give a final grade.

**Bibliography**

D. Riout, L’arte del ventesimo secolo, Einaudi, 2002 (Premessa, Parte I, Parte IV)

1 volume to be chosen from:

AA. VV, Arte contemporanea, La Biblioteca di Repubblica – l’Espresso, Electa (selection given in pdf)

F. Poli (a cura di), Arte Contemporanea. Le ricerche internazionali dalla fine degli anni ’50 a oggi, Electa, 2003 o F. Poli, Arte contemporanea. Dall’informale alle ricerche attuali, Mondadori, 2007

1 Manual of art history, for movements before, a choice between:

G. C. Argan, Storia dell’arte, Sansoni (ultimo volume a cura di A.B.Oliva). o C. Bertelli, G. Briganti, Storia dell’arte italiana, Electa (ultimo vol)

Cottino, M. Dantini, S. Guastalla, Quintetto d’arte, Archimedie Edizioni, vol 5°.

Discretionary texts:
M. Corgnati, F. Polli, *Dizionario dell’arte contemporanea*, Feltrinelli, 1994;
A. Polveroni, *This is contemporary! Come cambiano i musei d’arte contemporanea*, Franco Angeli, 2007;
A. Vettese, *Si fa con tutto. Il linguaggio dell’arte contemporanea*, Laterza, 2010. Further bibliographical indications may be given during the course.
1° YEAR Master in Product Design

Discipline: Mass communication
Lecturer: Alessandra Castellani

Schedule: 4 hour a week in the 1° semester
Credits: 5
Study plan: curricular

Educational goals
The main educational goal is to develop skills that can analyse the different aspects relative to the relationship between attitudes, social behaviours and communication. Particular emphasis is placed on the processes of social and cultural construction of identities and symbolic processes, specific cultural phenomena, such as deepening ethnocentrism and racism associated to mass media. Empirical methods are taken into consideration that emerged from the socio-anthropological sciences that contribute to deepen the experiences of individual and social measures regarding specific products and brands, to further understand the dynamics of communication and symbolic experiences concerning consumerism, with particular reference to technological devices and brands, studying innovative life-styles, social networks and the sharing economy.

Finally, the links between society, culture and communication will be studied from the human body; in particular it will provide specific tools to analyse different historical matters, cultural approaches and symbolic meanings associated to tattoos, piercings and other body modifications.

Course content
The course provides an overview of the relationships between identity, culture and communication. In the first part of the course a general analysis on the different theoretical and methodological approaches to the discipline is made, from positivism to functionalism, paying particular attention to empirical methods and on the development of ethnographical research and documentaries. This provides a framework that starts from early documentaries (Robert Flaherty’s Nanook, the work of Gregory Bateson and Margaret Mead, to the visionary of Maya Deren in Haiti) to the current ethnographic research influenced by Ernesto De Martino, filmmakers such as Gianfranco Mingozzi, ethnographic techniques to reach the current application in market research techniques in marketing research, where the course analyses the experiences of consumers through methods explored by socio-anthropological research.

The course will also focus on specific theoretical issues traditionally associated to socio-anthropological sciences, in particular the concept of cultural identity, ethnocentrism, racism, rituals, the theories of the gift, the taboo, the structure of kinship systems, trance, schismogenesis.

In addition, the course explores symbolic and social relationships related to body and tattoo. Among the distinctive features of the tattoo, they had been seen as a deplorable trademark in the Western culture until recent times. Following geographic explorations in the 1700s, it was James Cook’s voyages who introduced the tattoo into the West, an exotic representation emerged regarding remote and savage ethnic groups, that constituted a symbolic communication that was borrowed in symbolic and communicational terms.

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by youth cultures and then by fashion. Nowadays the charm of rebelliousness and body modification have found a fertile hybridization in a strange world, in which new forms of search for identities and impersonation are interwoven.

**Methods and evaluation criteria**

Oral exam (75% of final exam grade).

Individual exercise based on ethnographic interviews regarding consumers' experience toward specific products or brands chosen by students to probe: communication, choices, brand positioning and improvement (25% of final exam grade).

**Bibliography**

A. Castellani, Conoscere per… una società multietnica, Fondazione Ismu, Milano 1993, cap.I

A. Castellani, Storia sociale del tatuaggio, Donzelli, Roma 2014

U. Fabietti, Storia dell'antropologia, Zanichelli, Bologna 2011, cap.2.1; cap.3; cap.4.1-3; cap.6.2-3; cap.7.1-2; cap.8.1-2; cap.9.3-6; cap.10.1-2; cap.11.2; cap.12.1; cap.13; cap.15.1; cap.17

V. Lanternari, Problemi di etnocentrismo e d'identità, La Goliardica editrice, Roma 1979, cap.I
1° YEAR  Master in Product Design

**Discipline**  
Technological innovation

**Lecturer**  
Francesca Parotti

**Schedule**  
4 hour a week in the 2° semester

**Credits**  
5

**Study plan**  
curricular

**Educational goals**

The course programme aims to increase student knowledge on innovative materials and manufacturing techniques and assembly, and aimed at the completion of a design project. Particular attention will be dedicated to the study of engineering phases of projects in order to raise students awareness in respect to the adequacy of the design choices on the basis of manufacturability, formal results, economic implications as well as the implications related to the environmental sustainability of achievements. The aim is to develop a critical skill in the choice of materials no longer only as a “matter” but as a characterization of the designed product. At the end of the course, the scope of expertise provided and examples presented will allow students to find their own method of approach to the technological dimension of the project with particular reference to the ability to independently cope with the enormous complexity of the field and to identify sources and useful knowledge management.

**Course content**

Quick review of the characteristics relevant to the study of materials such as identification of chemical, physical, mechanical, ecological and sensorial performance. Introduction to the concept of “form” according to the characteristics of the material and its intended purpose. Study and applications of the following classes of materials: Magnetostriuctive, Piezoelectrics, Halocromics, Thermogenic, Photomechanical, Ferrofluids, Self-repairing, Dielectric, Elastomers, Shape memory polymers, Shining, Special glasses, Ecological and Sustainable Materials, Nanomaterials Study and application of nanotechnology, bonding techniques using friction welding, hybridization of materials.

**SCHEDULE OF LESSONS**

Presentation of the course. Purpose and topics of study. Methodology and evaluation. Evaluation class Level. Classification of the technological characteristics, mechanical, chemical and environmental issues in the study of materials
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The perception of color: liquid crystals, Electrochromic, Photochromic, Thermochromic.
Polymers phase change, smart gels, high-performance glazing. Exercise demonstration and design review
Plastics and Bioplastics. Special fibers. Practical Applications and Practice Demonstration
Shape memory polymers, conductive polymers. Exercise demonstration and design review
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Special bonding techniques, surface treatment, pigments and additives. Tutorial demo.
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Methods and evaluation criteria
Attendance and active participation in the exercises in the class; competence in respect to the complexity of the subject knowledge and the course topics.

Bibliography
1° YEAR Master in Product Design

Discipline
Design

Lecturer
Gilberto Corretti

Schedule
8 hour a week in the 1 + 2° semester

Credits
10

Study plan
curricular

Educational goals
The main objectives of the course are critical autonomy, research, student personal resources development, the integration into the labor market. To which I add that, not least, the research and experimentation with relationships and behavioral strategies aimed at addressing mentioned in the introduction. It’s a goal that cannot be entrusted only to the design course but requires interaction between the courses of specialized and experimentation, passion and personal commitment of the students.

Course content
The course will be divided into:
- Design culture lessons, that depict the analysis of economic and anthropological contexts in which the project in Industrial Design is held.
- Design exercises on one or more issues of the project, carried out in close collaboration with external customers outside of the school and with other disciplines in the curriculum of the specialist course. Periodic revision of ongoing projects to check final projects in the course.

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Methods and evaluation criteria
The guiding criterion of evaluation shall cover the quality (design, production and shipping) of the product developed by the student. The evaluation will also follow other criteria inspired by criticism autonomy and the spirit of initiative demonstrated in the project pipeline and in the relationship with the client.

Bibliography
Ettore Sottsass – Scritti- Neri Pozza Edit.- Vicenza 2002
Gilberto Corretti- Lezioni di design – Alina, Firenze 2006
Charlotte Perriand – Io, Charlotte –Laterza, bari 1998
Zigmunt Bauman -Modus vivendi, inferno e utopia del mondo liquido – Laterza-Bari 2007
Marc Augé – Rovine e macerie- Bollati Boringhieri – Torino 2004
Harvey Molotch –Fenomenologia del tostapane – Cortina Editore- Milan 2005
Federico Rampini – Le dieci cose che non saranno più le stesse. Tutte le cose che la crisi sta cambiando – Editoriale L’Espresso- Milano 2009
Richard Sennett –L’uomo artigiano –Feltrinelli –Milano 2008
John Thachara – In the bubble – Design per un futuro sostenibile - Allemandi Editore – Torino 2008
Andrea Branzi Una generazione esagerata - Dai radical italiani alla crisi della globalizzazione- Baldini Castoldi- Milano 2014
1° YEAR Master in Product Design

Discipline                  Lecturer
Project Management         Angelo Minisci

Schedule                   Credits      Study plan
4 hour a week in the 2° semester  5          curricular

Educational goals
The educational objective of the course is to provide the critical tools needed for designing and operating. Critical autonomy, originality of design, research and development of the student's personal resources, together with the capacity for development and coordination of the project theme are some of the educational objectives of the course.

Course content
The course is divided into direct and thematic lectures on individual specific topics, proposed as theoretical principals. On the basis of these lessons, the final project consists of a project proposal related to the dynamics of the course.
The courses in Gestione dei progetti (Project Management) and Design del sistema prodotto (System Product Design) investigate the role in design, not only as product design, but as a scenario prediction, development of strategies, defining concept to enhance the competitiveness of the companies involved.
Innovation is not only the introduction or adoption of a new technology. It is therefore necessary to design interactively, leaving room for creativity, the development of scenarios and strategies that allow the participation of social actors and facilitate the animation of system innovation projects:
- Identify problems, needs and the beneficiaries.
- Set design proposals with greater clarity and logical consistency.
- Adapt methods to come up with ideas and proposals that could develop into trans-disciplinary working groups.
The methodology is divided into three phases:
- Development of scenarios.
- Stakeholder mapping and organization.
- Visions and ideas.

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Methods and evaluation criteria
The student will acquire skills concerning the report, presentation and discussion of their work, applying the principles taught during the lectures. The search for design thinking in the way of thinking, the ability to organise knowledge, to divide the particular cognitive process called "project".

The final evaluation will be made on the entire work carried out by the student during the course and will take seminar activity, participation in lectures and overall knowledge into account.

Bibliography
E.Chiacchierini: “Tecnologia e produzione”, edizione Kappa 2003
Antonelli,C.: “Cambiamento tecnologico e teoria dell’impresa”. Milano, Loescher 1982,
Gennaro Aprea: “Prodotto innovativo o innovazione tecnologia”, editore F. Angeli – Milano 1998;
1° YEAR Master in Product Design

Discipline
Design of the product system

Lecturer
Luigi Trenti

Schedule
4 hour a week in the 2° semester

Credits
5

Study plan
curricular

Educational goals
The aim of the Design of the Product System course is to teach creative knowledge that is expressed in a relational act, not as a simple act that precedes production, but as an act subject to constant changes.
The course aims to train students to be able to play a strategic role in relation to the product system. Professionals are in high demand within national and international design oriented companies and can help in the design and management of the entire cycle of brand diffusion to the consumer, through creative design products and services coordination, events, exhibitions and retail.

Course content
1. Evaluation of the creative and formative background of the students who will communicate through the creation of a portfolio in pdf format, max 5 MB.
2. Lectures that introduce students to the concepts of Design of Product System.
3. Analysis of these concepts in the world of furniture.
4. The Salone del Mobile in Milano, along with other national and international fairs.
5. Introduction to the professional relationships and their contractual and legal issues.
6. The ADI history and associated services for members: The Design Jury, the Registry of Projects, the Commission for professional problems, the ADI Design Index, the Compasso d’Oro and other international design awards.

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Methods and evaluation criteria
Student course attendance will be registered by signature on arriving and leaving lectures. Students will only be admitted to the final exam if they comply with the 70% lecture attendance. The final assessment grade will be the average of three grades:
1. Personal skills, creative talent, educational background and design knowledge.
2. Professionalism, punctuality, participation and understanding of the theoretical contents of the course.
3. Overall quality of the project and presentation capacity.

Bibliography
Recommended books, references, publications, fairs and reference websites will be communicated throughout the course. Essential reading:
1. Francesco Mauri, “Progettare progettando strategia, Il design del sistema prodotto” – Zanichelli
2. Gabriella Lojacono, “Le imprese del sistema arredamento. Strategie di design, prodotto e distribuzione” – Etas
1° YEAR Master in Product Design

Discipline
Manufacturing Processes

Lecturer
Simone Paternich

Schedule
4 hour a week in the 2° semester

Credits
5

Study plan
curricular

Educational goals
1. To teach the principles that organise and structure “the map” of the main materials and manufacturing processes;
2. To develop the basic tools with which to be orientated within the complexity and mutability of materials technologies and manufacturing processes;
3. To gain critical thinking (or analysis skills) for interpreting technological variables, environmental and economical sustainability regarding industrial production processes applied to product design.

Production processes and the materials technologies are dynamic disciplines, constantly speeding up their mutation process (this acceleration is also due to the steady hybridization between industrial activities and their manufacturing processes). Therefore students should gain:

1. Analysis and evaluation skills of possible technological solutions (regarding both materials and processes) and their performance, economical and environmental implications;
2. A solid critical capacity to constantly update technical and scientific knowledge, in order to interpret and understand changes and opportunities given by materials and productive process sciences.

Course content
Through the analysis of “matter levels” the course will highlight the consequences provoked by the transformation and manufacturing of materials, concerning their performance, economic, expressive and energetic aspects.

During the first part of the course, students will learn “classic” groups of materials (such as wood, polymers, metals, ceramic, etc.) and standard production processes; during this learning phase however, specific lectures on innovative manufacturing methods will be given. Furthermore students will have the opportunity to meet experts coming from research centres and companies. During this part of the course, strong focus will be paid to the following topics:

Surfaces engineering and programmability of material performance through the use of nanotechnologies;
3D printing techniques and materials for (dust, resins and wire)

Expertise, methodologies and tools which usually belong to engineering and physics can be also used in the field of production design; for this reason, in the final part of the course students will analyse and learn which software and simulating methods are used in materials engineering. In this way students will learn to discern useful qualities for selecting and designing materials and processes.

Three different kind of lessons and meeting will be offered to students:

1. In-depth lectures;
2. Meeting with experts, technicians, manufacturers, factory and research laboratory visits;
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Evaluation of the assignments presented during the final exam will be based on:

1. Consistency with the course objectives and the specific objectives of the research project;
2. Level of analysis and interpretation of the chosen research topic;
3. Accuracy and fluency of oral presentation, respecting given time limit, together with the graphic design quality of the report. The exam commission will positively consider the ability to communicate the research outcomes in a clear and unambiguous way.

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M. Ashby, K. Johnson, Materiali e Design, L’arte e la scienza della selezione dei materiali per il progetto, Casa Editrice Ambrosiana, 2010
C. Ratti, Tecnologie per il mobile, Milano, PEG, 1991
V. Rognoli, M. Levi, Materiali per il Design: espressività e sensorialità, Milano, Polipress, 2005
Further reading references will be given to the students during the course.
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2° YEAR Master in Product Design

Discipline  Marketing
Lecturer  Massimo Alvito

Schedule  4 hour a week in the 3° semester
Credits  5
Study plan  curricular

Educational goals
What does marketing mean in the context of communication and product design? Marketing today is able to adequately define the terms of a strategic and operational approach, one that integrates the tools of design thinking with the research methodologies, analysis development, implementation and control of their business processes? In the practice of marketing it comes the true encounter between the same presuppositions of communication design and product design. The current move from transactional to relational logic on marketing to be an essential organizational function, where a set of processes aimed at creating and communicating, transmitting and exchanging value among people and companies comes into play.

Course content
The course is divided into two phases: (1) acquisition and analysis of the strategic and operational marketing tool; (2) development of a branding project. If the first stage is essentially theoretical, the second is basically practical. During the first phase, progressive verifications of acquired skills will be made, the results of which will be a necessary condition for the development of phase 2. The second phase of the course also provides ongoing verification where the branding project will take on the value of consistency and concreteness. This phase will determine the activities of teamwork for mixed groups of students from both courses (min 2 max 4 people/group). The members of the groups will be identified and defined on an accrual basis of complementary skills.

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Methods and evaluation criteria
5 criteria:
- presence and active participation in the course (20%)
- verification phase 1 (25%)
- verification phase 2 (25%)
- final presentation (30%)

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Philip Kotler, Kevin Keller
Il marketing del nuovo millennio Pearson, 2010
Russell Edwards, The fundamentals of marketing AVA, 2009
Massimo Recalcati, Ritratti del desiderio Raffaello Cortina, 2012
Paolo Grimaldi, Blur design. Il branding invisibile Fausto Lupetti, 2014
Thom Braun, Cogito ergo brand. Da Eraclito a Popper: breve storia filosofica del branding. Etas, 2005
Melissa Davis, The Fundamentals of branding AVA, 2009
2° YEAR Master in Product Design

Discipline: Strategy of Product Communication
Lecturer: Massimiliano Pinucci

Schedule: 4 hour a week in the 4° semester
Credits: 5
Study plan: curricular

Educational goals
Through the analysis of tools and communication dynamics based on case histories, with specific focus on channels and communication techniques both traditional and innovative, the logical structures and the project will be progressively addressed and analyzed using a deductive, logical and interactive structure.
To support the lectures, professionals and communication operators from companies and organisations that can bring concrete experience on specific topics, will be invited.

Course content
- Communicating:
The product the project
The meta-project
- Target:
The client
The market
The media
- Flows and Logical
- Communication Design goals:
Targeting
Branding
Naming
- Defining strategic objectives:
Design and planning
Execution and verification systems
Funding activities
- Company case histories

Exam Content
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Branding
Naming
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**Methods and evaluation criteria**
In the evaluation, using a grid which contains the following items:
Presentation (fluency, consistency with the topics of the course, familiarity with the software)
Final product logic, innovation, functionality, coherence, project communication, economic aspect - business plan / bdg - organizational aspect - gantt - strategic impact
Attendance during the course (interaction, reviews)

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2° YEAR Master in Product Design

Discipline
Professional Business Management

Lecturer
Giulia Reali

Schedule
4 hour a week in the 4° semester

Credits
5

Study plan
curricular

Educational goals
The course considers the skills relating to the management and organisation of professional activity, linking it to the general political / economic, technological and socio / cultural world of work, and overall aspects of legislative, regulatory and overall administrative issues.

It also examines all the tools that enable management capabilities of professional relationships with regard to the relationship with the customer, to teamwork, to multidisciplinary collaborations as well as regulatory aspects governing the protection of intellectual property.

In order to frame the work activity within a context of an international framework, knowledge of the English language is considered essential as the language of trade, and the main foreign languages. 60 hours, 15 structured lessons and with guests to describe and explain the organizational and operational processes in the world of design and communication.

Figures that interact each with their own language and code conventionally established and accepted. Rules and procedures to know and practice. To move and act freely, without limits within the boundaries. The course will flow by providing practical and theoretical tools useful for awareness and knowledge in the workplace.

Course content
Introduction to the course: objectives and opportunities
Production flow management reports: the relationship between designer / consultant / customer / supplier.

DESIGN THINKING > MODELS FOR STRATEGIC THINKING
HOW TO IMPROVE MYSELF
HOW TO UNDERSTAND MYSELF BETTER
HOW TO UNDERSTAND OTHERS BETTER

DESIGN MANAGEMENT > MODELS FOR STRATEGIC PROJECTS
DRAW YOUR PROCESSES FOCUS YOUR BUSINESS DEFINE YOUR STRATEGIES
TAKE YOUR DECISIONS

MAKING IDEAS HAPPEN > VISION & REALITY
MODIFY YOUR ORGANIZATIONAL HABITS
ENGAGE BROADER COMMUNITY
DEVELOP YOUR LEADERSHIP CAPABILITY

MANAGE YOUR DAY-TO-DAY > MODELS FOR CREATIVE SPACE
BUILD YOUR ROUTINE FIND YOUR FOCUS
SHARPEN YOUR CREATIVE MIND

MAXIMIZE YOUR POTENTIAL > MODELS FOR DESIGNER LIFE
GROW YOUR EXPERTISE TAKE BOLD RISKS
BUILD AN INCREDIBLE CAREER

An introduction to intellectual property law
Design and designers today, facing the profession?
Designer: how we cook in the world of work.

VAT, withholding tax, receipt or invoice. Contracts, forms of work, company forms, means of access to credit, taxation and social security.

The entrepreneurship thoughts and practice. Redefine the roles and modes of operation in the work of a designer.

Exam Content
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DESIGN THINKING > MODELS FOR STRATEGIC THINKING
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HOW TO IMPROVE OTHERS
HOW TO UNDERSTAND MYSELF BETTER HOW TO UNDERSTAND OTHERS BETTER

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Methods and evaluation criteria

Course attendance
Active participation in class exercises
Preparation of a written essay
Creativity in the creation of a discussion of a topic addressed by the lecturer
Oral presentation

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Fabris G. 2003 Societing. Il marketing nella società postmoderna, Egea Milano Fried J. & Hansson H. D.
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2002 La visione strategica, Franco Angeli Milano Jensen R.
1999 The dream society, McGraw Hill Kelly K.
2010 Quello che vuole la tecnologia, Codice Editore Torino
Latouche S.

2010  Come si esce dalla società dei consumi. Corsi e decorsi della decrescita Bollati Boringhieri Torino
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2011  Per un’abbondanza frugale Bollati Boringhieri Torino Lindstrom M.
2009  Neuromarketing. Attività cerebrale e comportamenti di acquisto, Apogeo Milano

Lipovetsky G.

2007  Una felicità paradossale. Sulla società dell’iperconsumo, Raffaele Cortina Editore Milano Lois G.
2012  Damn good advice, Phaidon London Morace F. e Lanzone G.
2010  Verità e bellezza Nomos Edizioni

Morozov E.

2013  Ingenuità della rete, Codice Editore Torino Paquot T.
2007  Elogio del lusso. Ovvero l’utilità dell’inutile, Castelvecchi Roma Turke C.
2012  La società eccitata, Castelvecchi Bollati Boringhieri Torino Walker B.
2008  Buying in, Random House New York
Bachelor Degree in Product Design

1° YEAR

Social Anthropology  
Design culture  
Mass communication  
Technological innovation  
Design

2° YEAR

Project Management  
Design of the product system  
Manufacturing Processes  
Marketing  
Strategy of Product Communication  
Professional Business Management  
Design Management

OPTIONAL

Digital Multiplatform Design  
Strategic Design  
Methodology of Communication Projects  
Interior Design  
Digital Video  
Eco Design  
Interaction Design  
Model building  
Interior Design: Furniture Design  
Fashion Design
1° YEAR Master in Product Design

Discipline
Digital Multiplatform Design

Lecturer
Salvatore Iaconesi, Oriana Persico

Schedule
8 hour a week in the 2° semester

Credits
10

Study plan
optional

Educational goals
The course introduces the techniques of Transmedia Storytelling and the Near Future Design methodology. Near Future Design uses ethnographic methods to understand how cultural and socio-psychological environments suggest the emergence of possible future scenarios, and the modalities according to which they can be evaluated and implemented under the form of diegetic prototypes, which can be communicated transmediaiy.

Transmedia Storytelling techniques will allow students to design and implement communication campaigns by combining and systematizing physical objects, videos, websites, applications, digital, urban and interstitial publications, social networks and generative visualisations.

Course content
The course is constructed through frontal lessons, laboratories and periodic project reviews, together with the constant social networking activities, through which the class will be organized into working groups.

Each group will implement a complete Near Future Design and Transmedia Storytelling project during the course.

Lessons will be of three types:
• seminars: a series of readings will be discussed in class to critically assess theories, methods and practices;
• laboratory: design and implementation of the projects, with students forming groups, with the direct assistance of the professors;
• reviews: sessions for critical evaluation of the projects.

Exam Content
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• reviews: sessions for critical evaluation of the projects.

Methods and evaluation criteria
Students will be evaluated according to the following schema:
• 70% project (resulting from the general evaluation of the group project, which is the same for all of the group members);
• 30% participation to the activities in class and online.

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• Nicolas Nova, Katherine Miyake, Walton Chiu, Nancy Kwon: “Curious Rituals”
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• Salvatore Iaconesi, Oriana Persico: “Near Future Design: the perception of a "new possible" and a new role for Design”
• Salvatore Iaconesi, Oriana Persico: “Design, philosophy art and business”
• Salvatore Iaconesi, Oriana Persico: “Transmedia Design”
• Andrea Phillips: “A Creator’s Guide to Transmedia Storytelling”
• Henry Jenkins: “Convergence Culture”
• Henry Jenkins: “Spreadable Media: Creating Value and Meaning in a Networked Culture (Postmillenial Pop)
1° YEAR Master in Product Design

Discipline: Strategic Design

Lecturer: Mirko Tattarini

Schedule: 4 hour a week in the 1 + 2 \textsuperscript{nd} semester

Credits: 10

Study plan: optional

Educational goals
The course aims to contribute to defining the profile of a Designer understood as a complex and strategic profile, able to confront diverse and vertical expertise within a single design project. Starting from diversified curricula, the course seeks to build a global figure that maintains itself in the nuances of the background.

Course content
The course addresses the theme of design intended in the complexity that characterizes it, especially today. In this way it crosses the theoretical and technical influences contributing to the creation, management and evaluation of a design project. Specifically, the course consists of historical lectures, technical production, technical digital production. The course reads design culture through cinema and literature, experiences, suggestions of topics such as the internet, digital manufacturing and sustainability contributing to the reflection on the coexistence of intangible and materials contained in artifacts and manufactured objects.

All this within a possible revision of the parable of the human relationship with the objects, based on the meta-constructs and the revision of the concept of well-being and of the relationship with the objects.

The course aims to present projects at the Fuori Salone 2015.

Exam Content
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The course aims to present projects at the Fuori Salone 2015.

Methods and evaluation criteria
The final evaluation will be based on the following parameters: attendance, participation, midterm test, quality of the final project, quality of the presentations.

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"L'accademia dei sogni", William Gibson, Mondadori 2004 – Romanzo
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1st or 2nd YEAR Master in Product Design

Discipline
Methodology of Communication Projects

Lecturer
Carlo Spoldi

Schedule
8 hour a week in the 1st semester

Credits
10

Study plan
optional

Educational goals
The course aims to provide students with a methodology that will enable them to face future projects in a professional manner with particular focus on research and innovation. Taught through historical / critical analysis of important national and international campaigns in which the lecturer participated (Apple, Benetton, Renault, Green Peace, Japan Tobacco ...) in their aspects of communication strategy, logo, tagline, advertising, media, below the line ... and with particular attention to their synergy. It aims to provide students with a method that will enable them to face future contracts in a professional way with particular propensity to research and innovation.

Course content
The course includes theoretical lectures, during which company Identity and related communication campaigns will be analyzed and discussed, focusing on a well-established trend in the design of institutional images featuring social content and their environmental sustainability. To be followed by practical exercises on real opportunities and specifications provided by the lecturer, e.g.: Communication Campaign with its theme being the Mediterranean and its related cultures, the environmental sustainability of fisheries and the conservation areas and the protection of marine protected areas (maritime exploration in the exploration for hydrocarbons, the offshore platforms), the Universal Declaration of Human Rights; or explicitly proposed by the students.

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Methods and evaluation criteria
The evaluation criteria will take into consideration the participation / attendance, the level of creativity / innovation introduced by the student, the quality of the materials produced and their synergy.

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1 o 2° YEAR Master in Product Design

**Discipline**
Interior Design

**Lecturer**
Franco Raggi

**Schedule**
8 hour a week in the 1° semester

**Credits**
10

**Study plan**
optional

**Educational goals**
The course aims to didactically develop the theme of the design of interior spaces and integrated equipment not only as a simple technical/functional problem, but as a complex tool. Examining the relationship between space, the body, functions and behaviours reported in a primary dwelling.

Interior architecture and Interior Design are fields of experimentation which can process/record expressive tendencies and theoretical positions related to the culture and practice of living. We are the houses we lie in and our space fully represents us in good and bad times.

During the course illustrated communications with educational themes will be covered.

The course entails two separate exercises:
The first: A spatial manipulation exercise based on a contrast of concepts (opposites) based on the set volume 600x600x800cms, without living functions but ergonomically feasible.
The second: A concrete and feasible project based on unconventional, but realistic housing.

**Course content**
Project Theme 1: Macro-objects/Micro-architectures. Designed and projected around the body. The course focuses on designing spaces – objects – furniture – structures in close relationship with the space around our body. Our body is our primary tool through which we alter and give shape to things and the space around us. The aim of the course is to design a project that creates small functional structures involving the space immediately close to the body, active and passive perception of it.

Project Theme 2: Final project, based on temporary living space (or spaces) system for homogeneous groups of users. As a continuation of project didactic experience, on the topic “Volume Compelled” students are asked to carry out a more accomplished and free living theme space and volumes, in the context of a group of people whose activities are similar but temporary (students from diverse disciplines, workers on a construction site, volunteer groups, travellers, temporary housing etc.) in relation to events that require increased receptivity.

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**Methods and evaluation criteria**
Oral exam, where research abilities, presentation of the concept and aspects of the design process are evaluated. Ability to represent, verbal communication and graphic design of the project are evaluated. Modelling and graphics are assessed.

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1 o 2° YEAR Master in Product Design

**Discipline**
Digital Video

**Lecturer**
Giancarlo Torri

**Schedule**
4 hour a week in the 2° semester

**Credits**
10

**Study plan**
optional

**Educational goals**
The course analyses filming and editing techniques and their applications, aimed at the completion of an audiovisual product. This course is practical, aiming for the concrete production of a digital movie (short film, pilot or spot). During the different stages of making the film, theoretical issues concerning the stage object are covered. The theme of this year’s academic course is TBC. In addition, to ensure good student motivation, the themes of the films are tied to a contest which entry expires after June 2016.

**Course content**
- Types of digital video production (publicity, institutional, documentary, cinema and fiction, etc.)
- Draft of a screenplay
- Production (budget, study and examination of the script)
- Structure and Operational use of a video camera (DSLR, Digital cameras and digital camcorders)
- Filming techniques: shots, camera movements, photographs
- Actor Direction
- Postproduction formats
- Editing using non-linear editing system
- Finalisation of audiovisual products (Software to be confirmed)
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**Methods and evaluation criteria**
Each student will be assessed taking into account the following:
- Attendance, participation, quality of work completed depending on the chosen role within the troupe, effectiveness of backstage product or layout mounted poster (print) or other promotional material (to be agreed upon).

**Bibliography**
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1° or 2° YEAR Master in Product Design

**Discipline**
Eco Design

**Lecturer**
Andrea Spatari

**Schedule**
8 hour a week in the 2° semester

**Credits**
10

**Study plan**
optional

**Educational goals**
The aim of the course is to develop student awareness in the complexity of the topics and the interdependence of variables, providing them with the tools needed to evaluate, plan and reduce the environmental impact of their projects, whether they are physical objects, digital products or services.

**Course content**
The lectures alternate with practical exercises partially carried out in class, partially at home. Each week students work on presented issues, by frequently posting the results of their work on a ad hoc created blog.
At the beginning of the course, in order to manage educational activities and to facilitate horizontal learning, the class is divided into small groups of maximum three students, who together carry out the exercises and the final exam project.

Through interdisciplinary studies on monographic themes, students are encouraged to explore the following:
- Critical approach to the course themes
- Policies for sustainability, regulations and certifications
- Materials and technologies
- Electronics and smart objects
- Digital fabrication
- LCA (life cycle analysis of the product)
- SCOR (supply chain organisation)
- EcoDesign strategies to reduce environmental impact
- Design tools; scenarios and concept

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**Methods and evaluation criteria**
Evaluation of the final work will contribute to the composition of the grade for 50%. The remaining 50% will be determined by an evaluation of the work completed during the academic year, published on the group’s blog. To give a final grade, the following aspects will be evaluated:
- Quality and extension of research
- Compliance of project objectives (coherence, effectiveness)
- Innovation
- Overall impact of the project on the environment
- Quality, synthesis and efficacy of the presentation
Bibliography
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Greener Products: The Making and Marketing of Sustainable Brands - Al Iannuzzi
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Sustainability by Design: A Subversive Strategy for Transforming Our Consumer Culture - John Ehrenfeld
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La natura della tecnologia - W. Brian Arthur
Quello che vuole la tecnologia - Kevin Kelly
La forma del futuro - Bruce Sterling
Tomorrow Now - Bruce Sterling
Come fare ricerca qualitativa - David Silverman
L'etnografo imperfetto - Leonardo Piasere
Product Design in the sustainable era - Dalcacio Reis
Eco-Design, progetti per un futuro sostenibile - Alastair Fuad-Luke
Ecodesign - Silvia Barbero, Brunella Cozzo
In the bubble, design per un futuro sostenibile - John Thackara
Dalla culla alla culla. Come conciliare tutela dell'ambiente, equità sociale e sviluppo – William McDonough, Michael Braungart
1 or 2° YEAR Industrial Design

**Discipline** | **Lecturer**
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Interaction Design | Antonio Glessi

**Schedule**
4 hour a week in the 1° semester

**Credits**
5

**Study plan**
optional

**Educational goals**
Provide a theoretical and practical knowledge of the principles of the relationship between man and machine. Stimulate a modular and a systematic approach to the design and implementation of mobile applications through the use of production tools that assist and simplify the development phase of programming. Providing a critical cost-benefit analysis, also in ethical terms, in choosing the most suitable content and interface elements more suited to the actual feasibility and effectiveness of the project. The ultimate goal of the course is to make students able to interact productively with prospective customers and service providers to optimize their time and resources available.

**Course content**
The theme of the course is to develop a concrete experience gained while working in small groups, mostly in the classroom during class time. As the use of online development platforms will be privileged, it is essential that every student is in a position to always be connected to the network. The focus will be to produce a simple application in a totally independent approach, either for entertainment or for an everyday utility. No previous programming knowledge is required, although the course itself is an ideal complement to the course Elements of Programming.

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**Methods and evaluation criteria**
Review continuity, both in the classroom and online, is strictly required. Projects not previously approved or revised at least once will not be accepted to take part in the exam. The formal quality of the presentation affects the vote by 20%, technical and the technological qualities of the project by 40%, the ability to discuss the narrative and/or the communication aspects for the remaining 40%.

**Bibliography**
Steve Krug, Don't Make Me Think - A Common Sense Approach To Usability (Second Edition), New Riders (2006)
1 o 2° YEAR Master in Product Design

Discipline
Model building

Lecturer
Andrea Moscardini

Schedule
4 hour a week in the 2° semester

Credits
5

Study plan
optional

Educational goals
The course give a panoramic overview of the various types of models and modeling techniques of construction typical in the industrial design field. Specific focus will be given to the use of new information technologies and the development and use of simple models, rapid prototyping techniques and first-step design models starting from the earliest stages of planning.

Course content
- introduction: model types and application fields
- Materials
- Traditional techniques and tools
- Hi-tech methods and computerised tools
- CNC milling
- Rapid prototyping
- Laser cutting
- Reverse engineering
- Mold building
- Vacuum
- Fiber reinforced materials
- Surface finishing and painting

The theoretical lectures will be complemented by tutorials and lab activities. Students will be challenged to build their own models (or models suggested by the lecturer) by using the skills and techniques learned during the course.

Exam Content
- introduction: model types and application fields
- Materials
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Methods and evaluation criteria
The exam commission will evaluate the correct understanding of the production processes and the consistency of the choices made in the building techniques, and the coherence of the choices made during the modeling process.

Bibliography
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About RP: http://www.aero.polimi.it/~sala/bacheca/PROTOTIPAZIONE.pdf
### 1 o 2° YEAR Master in Product Design

**Discipline**
Interior Design: Furniture Design

**Lecturer**
Aurelio Porro

**Schedule**
4 hour a week in the 1° semester

**Credits**
5

**Study plan**
optional

### Educational goals

The interior design of furniture course aims to give the fact-finding, planning, operative and critical tools regarding the design of plywood furniture, specifically steam-bent wood.

The course intends to generate critical consideration and intellectual curiosity in order to create a real project created based on awareness and originality.

The project regarding a piece of furniture entails not only an analysis of its functional purpose but also aesthetic, expressive and the sensorial value, in perspective of a cultural, technological and manufacturing context.

### Course content


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### Exam Content


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### Methods and evaluation criteria

Ongoing reviews during the lessons. Final exam with the final evaluation that takes into account the following: Lesson participation, interest and motivation during the course; understanding and acquisition of design issues covered; processing capability and project organization; creative quality of the project; perfection in the design process; operational, expressive and graphics capabilities; ability in drafting technical documents; correct analysis between the project discussed and the work drawing.

### Bibliography

In the context of the course, the following books are recommended:

- *Furniture Design* by A. Aalto
- *Design and Technology* by C. Eames
- *Architectural Design* by M. Thonet
- *Industrial Design* by C. Mollino

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1 o 2° YEAR Master in Product Design

Discipline: Fashion Design

Lecturer: Veronica Bogao

Schedule: 4 hour a week in the 2 o 4 ° semester

Credits: 5

Study plan: optional

Educational goals
An invitation to explore fashion firsthand and to rethink it objectively.
A laboratory of ideas, to review a fashion system adrift, lost following the frantic deadlines, in the images to construct and communicate, in the hands of influential journalists and the web, and with its anonymous protagonists exhausted and without motivation.
The return of the Fashion Designer, an ex-protagonist replaced by the brand and / or used as the face and commercial strategy, able to see fashion as function and solution.

Course content
Fashion: what it represents vs. what it is.
The cycle of fashion. Modern inputs. Silhouette, muse, de-construction, collage and dreams.
The body and the space of fashion
Fashion and identity. The centrality of the body. Fashion as entertainment.

Problem and Solution
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Methods and evaluation criteria
During the semester students will perform research and exercises, that along with the final project, will form part of the course evaluation.

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