



**Spring  
New graduate Seminar  
in Landscape Architecture**

**LA 699**

# **Designing Healthy Communities**

*LECTURES - GUEST SPEAKERS - FIELD TRIPS - READING ASSIGNMENTS - GROUP DISCUSSIONS*

**The course is about sustainable community design and design principles aimed at promoting people's health and wellbeing in the urban environment.**

We will discuss human health and wellbeing issues as they relate to the quality of the physical urban environment - from the global scale to the local and personal, and rethink the ways communities are planned, designed and constructed. We will review related literature and evolving evidence-based measures that guide health promoting community design.

The course has an interdisciplinary approach and may also be of interest to graduate students in Design Studies, Population Health Sciences, Environmental Studies, Urban and Regional Planning, Community and Environmental Sociology, Geography and advanced undergraduate students.

Dr. Kristín Thorleifsdóttir is an assistant professor in Landscape Architecture and Design Studies. Having a background in Environment & Behavior Studies, her special interests focus on health promotion through design and the ways design can influence people's behavior, attitudes, use, function, health and wellbeing.

The 3 cr. class meets in Ag. Hall Meeting Time TBD  
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