

EXPERIENCING THE CITY
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PROF. TONY NELESSEN
SUMMER SESSION – JUNE 1-JULY 9
CLASS MEETS: 9:00AM, CIVIC SQUARE BUILDING,
ROOM 369, DNB

This course has been expressly designed for graduate and undergraduate students of urban planning and policy. In this course, we will research, analyze and notate the visual, spatial form and activities for districts within specific city types and streets within that district. Students will be expected to travel by public transit with the class to a minimum of four cities and within those cities, required to notate four locations that will be selected by the class. The course will initially focus on mapping, basic graphic notation, photographic techniques and other metrics. Students will be expected to notate density, activity patterns, building massing, entrances, signing, street form, building and land value, building use intensity, architectural details, proportion and street landscaping. Overlaid, will be the historical context and on-street interviews regarding satisfaction of place and perception of crime.

The cities under consideration include, Hoboken, New York, Philadelphia, Princeton and Ocean Grove, all accessible by public transit.

Students will be expected to present their analysis and a form-based code for one location within each of the cities. All of the form based analysis and codes will be reproduced into one volume for a take away at the end of the class.

A digital camera and a portable measuring device are required. Students are expected to pay for all travel and any meals in the field.

Questions: Contact Prof. Nelessen – Nelessen@rci.rutgers.edu