# SAN JOSÉ STATE UNIVERSITY URBAN AND REGIONAL PLANNING DEPARTMENT URBP-295: CAPSTONE STUDIO IN COMMUNITY PLANNING FALL 2023

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Class days/time:	Tuesdays 1:30 – 7:00 p.m. beginning August 22, 2023	
Classroom:	Washington Square Hall, Room 208 (some class sessions will be held at "Studio on the Street" (76 North 1 <sup>st</sup> Street). Announcements about class meeting locations will be made in class.	
Class website:	All course materials will be posted to Canvas.	
Prerequisites:	Completion of at least 24 MUP course units and/or instructor consent	
Units:	6 units	

## **Course Catalog Description**

Through fieldwork and laboratory assignments, the student applies theories and techniques of analysis to identify the assets, problems, and opportunities of an urban community.

## **Course Format**

This is a synchronous class – we meet in person on the day and times listed above.

## **Course Overview**

Professional planners are engaged in meaningful work that helps to create a comprehensive vision for a community. Since the practice of urban planning is inherently future focused, part of our job is to help community members envision what our future human habitat could look like.

The American Planning Association expands on this facet of our work:

The goal of planning is to maximize the health, safety, and economic well-being of all people living in our communities. This involves thinking about how we can move around our community, how we can attract and retain thriving businesses, where we want to live, and opportunities for recreation. Planning helps create communities of lasting value. While architects often focus on a single building, a planner's job is to work with residents and elected officials to guide the layout of an entire community or region. Planners take a broad view and look at how the pieces of a community — buildings, roads, and parks — fit together like pieces of a puzzle. Planners then make recommendations on how the community should proceed."<sup>1</sup>

In this intensive project-based course you will be exposed to contemporary tools, terms, and methods of professional urban planning through two primary methods: (1) community assessment and (2) visioning. The first – **community assessment** – is a comprehensive documentation of current conditions in a study area including land use, transportation networks, urban form, streetscapes, demographics, and the identification of community stakeholders. A proper community assessment also involves direct engagement with local stakeholders to ascertain their community's assets, challenges, and aspirations. The second method – **visioning** – will constitute the synthesis portion of the course, where we take what we've learned from the community assessment and develop specific planning recommendations for our project client, the City of San Jose's Department of Transportation.

## **Project Focus**

Silicon Valley exerts a powerful pull that draws new residents and employees from the world over. What kind of 'place' is Silicon Valley, though? For the most part, the Valley as we know it today – its buildings and infrastructure – was laid out in the 1970s through the 1990s. The resulting landscape largely consists of poker-straight major arterial roadways, sprawling office 'campuses' surrounded by vast parking lots, and – in the view of many urban planners and designers – a distinct lack of vibrant, livable, urban neighborhoods that are not dependent on the automobile.

The City of San Jose's Department of Transportation (SJDOT) is undertaking a significant transportation planning program in North San Jose, a vast area of the city where many of Silicon Valley's titans of the tech industry are located. The SJDOT staff have reached out to SJSU's Dept. of Urban & Regional Planning program, seeking innovative ideas for the future of North San Jose from our Capstone Studio students – that's where YOU come in.

In this dynamic studio course, we will employ an innovative approach that combines planning and placemaking to develop a set of guiding principles and policies to make North San Jose a model for how forward-looking communities can plan their current and future development to meet multiple challenges. Many of these challenges were not on planners' 'radar' when we began building suburbs in this nation: climate change, sustainability, housing affordability, providing mobility choices, the aging of our population, meeting recreational needs, achieving social and economic equity, and protecting our environment.

We will develop a prototype plan illustrating how the guiding principles and policies we develop can be applied to North San Jose. Advising our planning and placemaking approach will be Don Weden, the Principal Planner for the Comprehensive Planning Section of the Santa Clara County Planning Office for many years prior to his retirement. Together, we will develop as our final products:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> American Planning Association, "What is Planning?" https://www.planning.org/aboutplanning/ (accessed January 7, 2023)

- A set of goals, planning principles, and policies to guide the planning of the North San Jose area
- A prototype plan for what the future of North San Jose might look like if developed/redeveloped in conformance with those goals, planning principles, and policies.

Through our work this semester, let's think big and consider precedents from local and global cities that are pursuing innovative ways to "retrofit" suburban areas like North San Jose into places with a distinct identity and which are "intelligently more urban". Don Weden uses this phrase to describe a strategic approach to the incremental transformation of Silicon Valley from a low-density, car-oriented setting to an area characterized by vibrant, livable, urban neighborhoods.

We will present our prototype plan to staff of the SJDOT and VTA and discuss how our plan's underlying goals, principles, and policies may be incorporated into the city's planning discussions.

## **Course Learning Objectives**

This course implements one of the Urban & Regional Planning Department's Program Learning Objectives: teaching students how to "...develop planning strategies to advance community priorities through collaborative engagement with stakeholders, and to do so in a manner that deliberately incorporates multicultural and historical perspectives."

URBP-295 is a "learning by doing" course, a culminating experience where you apply what you've learned academically and professionally to a real-world planning study. Be prepared to contribute <u>substantially</u> each week, both individually and as a team member. Put another way, this is NOT a passive-learning, lecture-based class. A significant part of your grade will be earned by how effectively you contribute to the project. You can think of your role this semester as taking part in a 16-week internship, or working in a small consulting firm with your instructor as the project manager.

Upon successful completion of the course, you will be able to:

- 1. Use a systematic urban planning process to identify, analyze, communicate, and develop solutions to complex real-world situations. The planning processes that students will learn to conduct include, at a minimum, the following components:
  - A. Selecting, managing and applying appropriate research strategies for identifying the assets, problems and opportunities present in a community.
  - B. Selecting, managing and applying appropriate outreach strategies for engaging diverse community stakeholders in the planning process. Community engagement strategies include, among others, stakeholder interviews, focus groups, door-to-door canvassing, community workshops and charrettes.
  - C. Applying a collaborative, community-based process to develop a plan in partnership with a client community.
- 2. Create graphics (including base maps, analytical and conceptual diagrams, and illustrative plans), written materials and oral presentations to clearly communicate to a client community the results of the community assessment and plan development processes.

- 3. Evaluate, select, and develop the best means to disseminate the information synthesized in the plans. Dissemination methods include, among others, oral presentations at public meetings, visual displays, written reports, websites, and videos.
- 4. Work effectively as members and leaders of diverse planning teams and apply an understanding of interpersonal group dynamics to assure effective group action.
- 5. Prepare a plan to effectively facilitate a meeting.
- 6. Describe and explain how theories of community participation and engagement can be used to bring about sound planning outcomes.
- 7. Compare and contrast community participation in planning in different countries.
- 8. Describe and explain key ethical issues related to working with clients.
- 9. Describe and explain the role of officials, stakeholders, and community members in the planning process.
- 10. Describe and explain the social and cultural factors that influence urban growth and change.
- 11. Describe and explain the equity concerns of the community planning process.

## Planning Accreditation Board (PAB) Knowledge Components

This course partially covers PAB Knowledge Components 1b, 1d, 1e, 1f, 2a, 2b, 2d, 2e, 2f, 3a-3e.

A complete list of the PAB Knowledge Components can be found at https://www.sjsu.edu/urbanplanning/graduate-programs/masters-in-urban-planning/pabknowledge.php (accessed January 17, 2022)

## **Field Work Safety Protocols**

Student safety during field work is a top priority this semester. You will also be asked to sign a few forms required by the university that are necessary when coursework is conducted off campus. Please let me know if you have any questions as you complete these forms.

## **Course Readings**

There are no textbooks to purchase for this course. Instead, all readings will be available on Canvas, grouped into the categories shown in the grey-highlighted headings below. Through five assignments, students will reflect on the readings, both in writing and during class discussions. From time to time, I may post additional short readings to Canvas to supplement the list below.

\*\* Special thanks to Prof. Asha Agrawal Weinstein for sharing many of the readings in the themes related to effective visual, oral, and written communication.

#### Building an Understanding of North San Jose's Regulatory Landscape

#### <u>Required:</u>

City of San Jose. "North San Jose Area Development Policy" (website) <u>https://www.sanjoseca.gov/your-government/departments-offices/planning-building-</u> <u>code-enforcement/planning-division/citywide-planning/area-specific-plans/north-san-jos-</u> <u>area-development-policy</u> (accessed August 19, 2023)

- City of San Jose (2005, amended through December 2022). "North San Jose Area Development Policy." <u>https://www.sanjoseca.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/15839/636681510519200000</u> (accessed August 19, 2023)
- City of San Jose (2022). "Settlement Agreement Between the County of Santa Clara and City of San Jose Regarding North San Jose." <u>https://sanjose.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=F&ID=11515955&GUID=5906F2FD-BD62-42FC-B927-8D454108274D</u> (accessed August 19, 2023)
- City of San Jose (2022). "Settlement with County of Santa Clara Related to North San Jose." <u>https://sanjose.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=F&ID=11516517&GUID=5F8A810D-BC1D-4F05-80E9-A398ACA282B5</u> (accessed August 19, 2023)
- City of San Jose, 2023 (n.d.) "Summary of Essential Project Tasks." Draft scope of work for North San Jose transportation analysis; Arup as lead consultant with Fehr & Peers and Winter Consulting as subconsultants.

#### **Community Engagement Considerations**

#### <u>Required:</u>

- Planetizen (2021). "Why is Community Engagement Important?" (YouTube video) <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OaLGjOzWc9k</u> (accessed January 28, 2023)
- Federowicz, Martha with Olivia Arena and Kimberly Burrowes (2020). "Community Engagement during the COVID-19 Pandemic and Beyond: A Guide for Community-Based Organizations." Urban Institute.
- Myerson, Deborah L. (2004). "Involving the Community in Neighborhood Planning". ULI Community Catalyst Report Number 1. http://uli.org/wpcontent/uploads/2012/07/Report-1-Involving-the-Community-in-Neighborhood-Planning.ashx\_.pdf (accessed January 28, 2023).
- Biggs, David, et al. (2018). "100 great community engagement ideas: tips, tricks, and best practices to help guide planners to better results!", Metroquest.

#### Recommended: (focus on homelessness-related topics)

- Waldron, J. (2019). "Homelessness and the Issue of Freedom." Journal of Constitutional Law, 2019(1), 27-50. https://constcourt.ge/files/2/Journal2019.1/Jeremy-Waldron-2019.1eng.pdf (accessed January 28, 2023)
- Huttenhoff, M. (2021). "Coexistence in Public Space; Engagement tools for creating shared spaces in places with homelessness". SPUR. https://www.spur.org/publications/spur-report/2021-01-25/coexistence-public-space (accessed January 28, 2023)
- Loftus-Farren, Z. (2011). "Tent Cities: An Interim Solution to Homelessness and Affordable Housing Shortages in the United States." California Law Review 99(4): 1037-81.
- Bonakdar, A., & Gaetz, S. (2021). "Push the Optimism Forward: Destigmatizing Homelessness and What We Can Do About it". Homeless Hub. https://www.homelesshub.ca/blog/push-optimism-forward-destigmatizinghomelessness-and-what-we-can-do-about-it (accessed January 28, 2023).

- Santa Clara County Homeless Census and Survey Reports. (n.d.). County of Santa Clara Office of Supportive Housing. https://osh.sccgov.org/continuum-care/reports-andpublications/santa-clara-county-homeless-census-and-survey-reports (accessed January 28, 2023)
- Santa Clara County Community Plan to End Homelessness 2020-2025. (n.d.). "County of Santa Clara; The Housing Ready Community's Toolkit". https://housingtoolkit.sccgov.org/take-action/santa-clara-county-community-plan-endhomelessness-2020-2025 (accessed January 28, 2023)
- Bonakdar, A. (2022). Pathways into Youth Homelessness. Homeless Hub. https://www.homelesshub.ca/blog/pathways-youth-homelessness (accessed January 28, 2023)
- Somerville, P. (2013). Understanding Homelessness. Housing, Theory and Society, 30(4), 384–415. https://doi.org/10.1080/14036096.2012.756096 (accessed January 28, 2023)
- Zerger, S., Strehlow, A. J., & Gundlapalli, A. V. (2008). Homeless Young Adults and Behavioral Health: An Overview." American Behavioral Scientist, 51(6), 824–841. https://doi.org/10.1177/0002764207311990 (accessed January 28, 2023)
- Davis M. (1992) "Fortress Los Angeles: The militarization of urban space" in Sorkin M. (ed.) Variations on a Theme Park: The New American City and the End of Public Space. New York: Hill and Wang, pp. 154–180.
- Mitchell, D. (2020). "Mean Streets: Homelessness, Public Space, and the Limits of Capital." University of Georgia Press.
- Herring, C. (2019). "Complaint-Oriented Policing: Regulating Homelessness in Public Space." American Sociological Review 84.5: 769-800.

#### **Tips for Effective Visual Communication**

#### <u>Required:</u>

- APIAHF (2013). Webinar: Letting Your Data Speak: Tips for Presenting Data Effectively. (YouTube video) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=451xHF\_eHdE (accessed January 28, 2023)
- Sage Publishing (2018). Presenting Data Effectively. (YouTube video\_ https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8BGJjYJisyA (accessed January 28, 2023)
- Williams, R. (2015). "The non-designer's design book: Design and typographic principles for the visual novice." Pearson Education. <u>https://csu-sjsu.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/discovery/fulldisplay?context=PC&vid=01CALS\_SJO:01C\_ALS\_SJO&search\_scope=MyInst\_and\_CI&tab=Everything&docid=cdi\_askewsholts\_vle
   <u>books\_9780132103923</u> (accessed January 28, 2023) *Students can read this online after logging in with their SJSU library account credentials.*</u>
- Davis, M., & Hunt, J. (2017). "Visual communication design: An introduction to design concepts in everyday experience." Bloomsbury Publishing. <u>https://csu-</u>

sjsu.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/discovery/fulldisplay?context=L&vid=01CALS\_SJO:01C ALS\_SJO&search\_scope=MyInst\_and\_CI&tab=Everything&docid=alma991013770419 602919 (accessed January 28, 2023) *Students can read this online after logging in with their SJSU library account credentials.* 

- Munzner, T. (2014). "Visualization analysis and design." CRC Press. <u>https://www.cs.ubc.ca/~tmm/talks/minicourse14/vad17stat545-4x4.pdf</u> (accessed January 28, 2023)
- Zelazny, Gene (2001). Excerpts. In Say It With Charts: The Executive's Guide to Visual Communication, 4th ed. New York: McGraw-Hill (pp. 9-27).
- Munter, Mary (2003) Excerpts from "Chapter III: Writing: Macro Issues." In Guide to Managerial Communication: Effective Business Writing and Speaking, 6th ed. Upper Saddle River, NJ: Prentice Hall (pp. 51-63).

#### <u>Recommended:</u>

- Tufte, Edward R. (2001). Chapter 2: Graphical Integrity & Chapter 4: Data-Ink and Graphical Redesign. In The Visual Display of Quantitative Information, 2nd ed. Cheshire, CT: Graphics Press (pp. 53-77, 91-105).
- Turabian, Kate L. (2018). "Chapter 8: Presenting Evidence in Tables and Figures." In A Manual for Writers of Research Papers, Theses, and Dissertations, 9th ed.. Chicago: University of Chicago Press (pp. 86-101).
- Turabian, Kate L. (2018). "Chapter 26: Tables and Figures." In A Manual for Writers of Research Papers, Theses, and Dissertations, 9th ed. Chicago: University of Chicago Press (pp. 370-392).
- Hairston, Maxine et al. (2002). "Chapter 19: What Is Document Design?" In The Scott, Foresman Handbook for Writers, 6th ed. New York: Longman (pp. 330-345).
- Oliu, Walter E. et al. (2004.) "Creating Tables and Illustrations" in Strategies for Business and Technical Writing, 5th ed. New York: Longman (pp. 207-211)

#### **Tips for Effective Oral Presentations**

#### <u>Required:</u>

- University of New Hampshire (n.d.) "Tips for Conducting an Oral Presentation." https://www.unh.edu/sites/www.unh.edu/files/departments/undergraduate\_research\_confere nce/pdf/tips\_oral\_presentation\_final.pdf (accessed January 28, 2023)
- Abrahams, Matt (2015) "Tips and Techniques for More Confident and Compelling Presentations." <u>https://www.gsb.stanford.edu/insights/matt-abrahams-tips-techniques-more-confident-compelling-presentations</u> (accessed January 28, 2023)

- Abrahams, Matt (2015) "No Freaking Speaking: 3 Techniques for Managing Speaking Anxiety." (YouTube video). <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5naThX63pF0&t=230s</u> (accessed January 28, 2023)
- Columbia College (n.d.) "Giving Presentations." <u>https://columbiacollege-</u> <u>ca.libguides.com/presentations/planning</u> (accessed January 28, 2023)
- Ballaro, Beverly (2004). "Six Ways to Grab Your Audience Right from the Start." In The Results-Driven Manager Presentations that Persuade and Motivate. Boston: Harvard Business School Press. (pp. 82-91)
- Makay, John J. (1995). "Chapter 8: Organizing and Outlining Your Ideas." In Public Speaking: Theory into Practice. 2nd ed. Fort Worth: Harcourt Brace (pp. 183-207).
- DeVito, Joseph A. (1987). "Unit 9: Elements of Organization." In The Elements of Public Speaking. 3rd ed. New York: Harper & Row (pp. 96-112).
- Zelazny, Gene (2006). Excerpts from Say It with Presentations: How to Design and Deliver Successful Business Presentations. New York: McGraw-Hill (pp. 1-23).
- Tierney, Elizabeth (1996). Practicing and Planning. In How to Make Effective Presentations. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications (pp. 96-101).
- Ten Simple Rules for Making Good Oral Presentations. (n.d.), University of Nebraska-Lincoln; Office of Graduate Studies, Graduate Connections. <u>https://www.unl.edu/gradstudies/connections/ten-simple-rules-making-good-oral-presentations</u> (accessed January 28, 2023)

#### <u>Recommended:</u>

- Jerz, Dennis G. (2018). "Oral Presentation Tips: How to Deliver a Speech for School or Work." https://jerz.setonhill.edu/writing/technical-writing/oral-presentations-tips/ (accessed January 28, 2023)
- Barron, Brenda (2020). "Importance of Body Language in Presentations: How to Use It Effectively." https://business.tutsplus.com/articles/importance-of-body-language-in-presentations--cms-33171 (accessed January 28, 2023)
- DeVito, Joseph A. (1987). "Unit 15: Elements of Persuasive Speaking." In The Elements of Public Speaking. 3rd ed. New York: Harper & Row (pp. 203-214).

Handout on "Sketching Your Storyboard" from Gene Zelazny

Munter, Mary (2003). "Chapter VI: Speaking: Visual Aids." In Guide to Managerial Communication: Effective Business Writing and Speaking, 6th ed. Upper Saddle River, NJ: Prentice Hall (pp. 108-141).

- Fujishin, Randy (2006). "Chapter 7: Delivering Your Speech: Being Yourself." In The Natural Speaker, 5th ed. Boston: Pearson (pp. 107-128).
- Daly, John, and Isa Engleberg (2004). Coping with Stage Fright: How to Turn Terror into Dynamic Speaking". In The Results-Driven Manager: Presentations That Persuade and Motivate. Boston: Harvard Business School Press (pp. 49-58).
- Urech, Elizabeth (1998). "Control Your Nerves with the 3-B Exercises." In Speaking Globally: Effective Presentations Across International and Cultural Boundaries. Dover, NH: Kogen Page (pp. 75-77).

#### **Tips for Effective Written Communication in Planning Reports**

#### <u>Required:</u>

- Rothfeder, R., & Ewing, R. (2020). "Technical Writing. In Basic Quantitative Research Methods for Urban Planners." (pp. 18-45). Routledge.
- Fowler, H. Ramsey, Jane E. Aaron, and Kay Limburg, eds. (1992). Excerpts from "Chapter 3: Composing Paragraphs." In The Little, Brown Handbook, 5th ed. New York: Harper Collins Publishers (pp. 70-81).
- University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Writing Center. (2002) "Revising." http://www.unc.edu/depts/wcweb/handouts/revision.html.
- Hairston, Maxine et al. (2002). "Chapter 5: How Do You Revise, Edit, and Proofread?" and "Chapter 15: How Do You Manage Transitions?" In The Scott Foresman Handbook for Writers, 6th ed. New York: Longman (pp. 60-82, 220-228).
- Orwell, George (1984)." The Politics of the English Language". In The Orwell Reader: Fiction, Essays, and Reportage. San Diego: Harcourt Brace & Company (pp. 355-66).
- Limerick, Patricia (2000). "Limerick's Rules of Verbal Etiquette." In Something in the Soil: Legacies and Reckonings in the New West. New York: W.W. Norton (pp. 342-43).
- Elbow, Peter (2001). "Freewriting." In Visions across the Americas: Short Essays for Composition, edited by JS Warner and Judith Hilliard. Fort Worth: Harcourt (pp. 13-16).
- Lipson, Charles (2004). "Chapter 3: Plagiarism and Academic Honesty." In Doing Honest Work in College: How to Prepare Citations, Avoid Plagiarism, and Achieve Real Academic Success. Chicago: University of Chicago Press (pp. 32-48).

#### <u>Recommended:</u>

Kousoulas, C. (2019). "Writing for Planners: A Handbook for Students and Professionals in Writing, Editing, and Document Production". Routledge.

- Turabian, Kate L. (2018). "Chapter 11: Revising Sentences." In A Manual for Writers of Research Papers, Theses, and Dissertations, 9th ed.: Univ of Chicago Press (pp. 113-123).
- (for fun): Remnick, David. "Postscript: Miss Gould." New Yorker (February 28, 2005): 34-35.
- Iacone, Salvatore J. (2003). "Email: To Send or Not to Send?" In Write to the Point: How to Communicate in Business with Style and Purpose. Franklin Lakes, NJ: Career Press, (pp. 123-136).

#### Place and Placemaking; Retrofitting Suburbs

#### <u>Required:</u>

- City of Largo, Florida (n.d.) "What Makes a Great Space?" https://cms7files.revize.com/largoflorida/document\_center/Permits%20&%20Planning/Plan ning/Long-Range%20Planning/Placemaking.pdf (accessed August 20, 2023)
- Dunham-Jones, Ellen (2010). "Eleven Ways to Retrofit Suburbs." (TED Talk). https://www.ted.com/talks/ellen\_dunham\_jones\_retrofitting\_suburbia?language=en (accessed August 20, 2023)
- Dunham-Jones, Ellen (2017). "Retrofitting Suburbia for 21st Century Challenge." https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gE1rzJBBtuQ (accessed August 20, 2023)
- Grabow, Steven H. (n.d.). "Principles and Practice of Community Placemaking." (pages 1-26) <u>https://cdn.shopify.com/s/files/1/0145/8808/4272/files/G4083.pdf</u> (accessed August 20, 2023)
- Grant, Jill L., Arthur C. Nelson, et al. (2013). "The future of the suburbs; suburbs in transition" in Response, Planning Theory & Practice, 14:3, 391-415, DOI: 10.1080/14649357.2013.808833
  <u>https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/14649357.2013.808833</u> (accessed August 20, 2023)

RetrofittingSuburbia.com (website). https://retrofittingsuburbia.com (accessed August 20, 2023)

- Waterford Council, Ireland (n.d.). "Chapter 8: Placemaking." https://consult.waterfordcouncil.ie/ga/system/files/materials/805/Chapter%208.pdf (accessed August 20, 2023)
- Wyckoff, Mark A. (n.d.). Definition of Placemaking: Four Different Types." <u>https://www.canr.msu.edu/uploads/375/65824/4typesplacemaking\_pzn\_wyckoff\_january20</u> <u>14.pdf</u> (accessed August 20, 2023)
- Yumpu.com (n.d.). "Place Making Principles." https://www.yumpu.com/en/document/read/11529579/place-making-principles-good-urbandesign-practice (accessed August 20, 2023)

#### Recommended:

- City Beautiful (2023). "Can We Fix the Suburbs?" (YouTube video) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jNuRpYaPLuA (accessed August 20, 2023)
- City of Lincoln, Nebraska (n.d.) "What Is Placemaking?" https://www.downtowncorridorslincoln.com/what-is-placemaking (accessed August 20, 2023)
- City of San Jose (n.d.). "Placemaking City of San Jose." <u>https://www.sanjoseca.gov/your-government/departments-offices/parks-recreation-neighborhood-services/programs-activities/placemaking</u> (accessed August 20, 2023)
- CNBC (2022). "How Suburban Sprawl Weighs On The U.S. Economy." (YouTube video) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s5QJwsvWXJE (accessed August 20, 2023)
- Congress of the New Urbanism (2019). "Eleven ways to retrofit suburbs." <u>https://www.cnu.org/publicsquare/2019/06/13/eleven-tactics-suburban-retrofit</u> (accessed August 20, 2023)
- Dunham-Jones, Ellen (2022). "Retrofitting Suburbia Trends vs. Data." (YouTube video) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NKejQYxI2Bs (accessed August 20, 2023)
- High Streets Task Force (2021). "Six Principles for Healthier Placemaking." https://www.highstreetstaskforce.org.uk/resources/details/?id=4a96e69e-a051-4e55-9577bdda728c46a1 (accessed August 20, 2023)
- Metropolitan Planning Council and Project for Public Spaces (n.d.). "Placemaking Chicago." http://www.placemakingchicago.com/guide/ (accessed August 20, 2023)
- Redesigning Cities (2019). "Redesigning Cities EP02: Retrofitting Suburbia Too." (YouTube video) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q0GqNWrPuRA (accessed August 20, 2023)
- Urban Design Lab (2023). "Placemaking and Urban Design." <u>https://urbandesignlab.in/placemaking-in-urban-design/</u> (accessed August 20, 2023)
- Wikedia.com (n.d.). "Sense of Place https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sense\_of\_place (accessed August 20, 2023)

### **Fundamentals for Success in this Course**

I will make every effort to help you succeed in this course so that you can apply what you've learned to your professional development as an urban planner. Naturally, it is your responsibility to complete all assignments and to take advantage of the many learning opportunities this semester. Your final grade will reflect your overall commitment to learning; higher grades correlate with student efforts that clearly meet – or exceed – expectations for graduate-level work.

Here are some tips to help you succeed this semester:

**Enjoy Learning:** A strong motivation to learn, explore, and have fun while learning is essential. This course will require a significant amount of independent work and relies heavily on student initiative. The course is a culminating experience in which you apply all of your knowledge from previous coursework, professional practice, and your own life experiences to create a planning document for a real-world community. As in the planning profession itself, a great deal of self-motivation is required. A sense of humor always helps, too!

**Understand Roles:** URBP-295 will mirror professional planning practice in order to help you develop transferable workplace skills. The role of the instructor in a studio course is to guide, mentor and encourage the project teams. The role of the student is to take full advantage of the academic freedom and flexibility offered by a studio course to collaborate with fellow students, to complete assigned tasks in a manner that exceeds expectations wherever possible, to serve San Jose communities, and to produce a professional-grade document and presentation.

**Focus and Respect:** I fully understand the temptations and distractions we all face today with smartphones vying for our attention. Please turn off or mute your phone during class, and note that lab computers may only be used for class exercises during the class period. If you have to "get something else done" during the class period, please step outside and do it elsewhere.

**Professional Conduct:** Since this course is designed to mirror professional practice, let's be in agreement that the standards in the following two sections will apply:

My responsibilities to you as an instructor are to:

- Create a physically and intellectually safe and stimulating environment for learning
- Assist you as much as possible with your learning goals
- Help resolve conflicts that hinder learning by answering your questions clearly and promptly, or to research answers and reply to you as soon as possible
- Treat you with respect and kindness, using encouragement and humor to foster learning
- Arrive prepared and organized, with clear learning objectives and a schedule for the day
- Evaluate/grade your work fairly and accurately while providing constructive feedback

Your responsibilities as a graduate student earning a professional degree are to:

- Attend each class session and arrive punctually, bringing all needed materials
- Treat peers and the instructor with respect, supporting peers whenever possible with their learning objectives and minimizing distractions in class
- Complete all assignments on time, to professional standards listed in each assignment
- Read this syllabus to understand the trajectory of the course and expectations of students
- Actively and consistently participate in class discussions and team meetings
- Demonstrate self-reliance and self-direction in setting and completing learning objectives
- Accept responsibility for working collaboratively in the learning process

## **More Success Tips**

Students that typically do well in studio courses:

- Pull their weight by sharing the workload equally with team members and attending all team meetings and discussions
- Consistently demonstrate enthusiasm for the project, even when deadlines loom and stress levels elevate

- Consistently demonstrate full support of their teammates
- Proactively raise concerns with team members and, if necessary, the instructor, and attempt to address them in a respectful and positive manner
- Devise strategies for carrying out the team's short- and long-term objectives
- Are organized, respectful and professional in their conversations with community members and agency officials since you are a representative of the planning profession and San Jose State University
- Embrace the flexibility and inherent creativity of a studio course to actively pursue career interests and acquire new skills
- Quickly adapt to changes in project goals and schedule changes (though these will be minimized to the extent practicable)
- Have confidence in their abilities and recognize that their contributions are valuable and important
- Know when to ask for help, then ask for it
- Are organized and diligent note-takers
- Share ideas with others and offer constructive suggestions to improve work processes and project goals

Students that typically do <u>not</u> do well in studio courses:

- Expect the course to be "an easy A" it's most definitely not
- Rely on their team members to perform an inequitable amount of work
- Do not take initiative at key moments to move their team and the project forward
- Focus on setbacks and negativity rather than finding proactive solutions
- Are consistently late to class and to group meetings
- Fail to ask for assistance when it is needed

You should always feel welcome to ask for help or constructive feedback this semester. Asking for assistance will <u>never</u> be perceived as a liability and will <u>never</u> impact your grade negatively.

## **Course Assignments and Grading Policy**

Each course assignment is designed to produce written and/or graphical material that can be integrated into the final course report and presentation due on December 14. Our work needs to be well researched, clearly written, authoritative, and with easily understood graphics to support our client's needs. I will set high standards and provide frequent feedback to achieve this.

Your grade for the course will be based on the following assignments and other graded activities:

Assignments and Other Graded Activities	Percent of Course Grade	Course Learning Objectives Covered
PHASE ONE Existing Conditions Assessment and Community Engagement		
Assignment 1 – North San Jose Planning PoliciesThis assignment, completed individually, will help you understand the contextof our study area. First, you will read the North San Jose Area DevelopmentPlan and related materials produced by the City of San Jose. Then you will		

Assignments and Other Graded Activities	Percent of Course Grade	Course Learning Objectives Covered
prepare responses to questions on these materials in preparation for conversations with staff from the San Jose Department of Transportation (SJDOT).		
Assignment 2 – Scope of Work for the North San Jose Multimodal Transportation Improvement Plan (MTIP) This assignment, completed individually, will help you understand the details of a forthcoming North San Jose transportation study managed by the SJDOT Reviewing the Scope of Work will enable you to generate questions that can be discussed at our meeting with Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) staff.		1, 2
Assignment 3 – Demographic Mapping with Esri's Community Analyst You will work individually to produce demographic maps of our study area using Esri's Community Analyst webapp. The maps and related tables will reveal a number of demographic and tapestry segmentation characteristics at the census block group level. Related infographics and written reflections will give you opportunities to explore patterns in the mapped data.	10%	2, 10
Assignment 4 – Reading Reflections #1 of 5 (Community Engagement Techniques) The five reading reflections in this course are designed to stimulate class conversations on various facets of professional urban planning practice. In this first reading reflections exercise, you will individually write reflections based on assigned readings that are focused on community engagement techniques. You will share your written reflections in Canvas Discussions and be encouraged to respond to postings by your peers. Individual student submissions will be evaluated on substance, insights derived from the readings, and the quality of writing.	5%	5, 6, 8, 9, 11
Assignment 5 – Reading Reflections #2 of 5 (Place and Placemaking Techniques) In this second reading reflections exercise, you will individually write reflections based on assigned readings that are focused on principles of, and techniques for, the urban design approach known as placemaking.	5%	7, 10
Assignment 6 – North San Jose Urban Montage Presentation You will work as part of a small team to prepare physical or digital display boards featuring a variety of found objects, maps, sketches, and other items to depict your team's observations of the study area.	10%	2, 3, 4
Assignment 7 – Reading Reflections #3 of 5 (Tips for Effective Oral Presentations) In this third reading reflections exercise, you will individually write reflections based on assigned readings that are focused on techniques for effective oral presentations.		1
Assignments 8A & 8B – Draft and Final Phase One Deliverables; Preparations for Mid-Semester Findings Presentation You will work as part of a small team to summarize your Phase One findings in graphical, written, and oral formats using an ArcGIS Story Map and other	20%	1 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11

Assignments and Other Graded Activities	Percent of Course Grade	Course Learning Objectives Covered
materials. A practice session will prepare your team to present confidently to our project partner at City Hall on October 24.		
A portion of your Assignment 8B grade will be based on the quality of <i>team</i> performance. Another portion of your Assignment 8B grade will be customized for <i>you</i> , based on my observations of your performance and informed by confidential peer reviews completed at the end of Phase One.		
PHASE TWO Visions for Retrofitting North San Jose; Final Prese	entation	
Assignment 9 – Reading Reflections #4 of 5 (Tips for Effective Graphic and Visual Communication) In this fourth reading reflections exercise, you will individually write reflections based on assigned readings that are focused on techniques for effective graphical and visual communication.	5%	1, 2, 3
Assignment 10 – Reading Reflections #5 of 5 (Tips for Effective Written Communication) In this fifth and final reading reflections exercise, you will individually write reflections based on assigned readings that are focused on techniques for effective written communication.	5%	1
<ul> <li>Assignments 11A &amp; 11B – Draft and Final Phase Two Deliverables;</li> <li>Preparations for Final Findings Presentation</li> <li>You will work as part of a small team to summarize your Phase Two findings in graphical, written, and oral formats. A practice session will prepare your team to present confidently to our project partners at City Hall on Dec 14.</li> <li>A portion of your Assignment 11B grade will be based on the quality of <i>team</i> performance. Another portion of your Assignment 11B grade will be customized for <i>you</i>, based on my observations of your performance and informed by confidential peer reviews completed at the end of Phase Two.</li> </ul>	20%	1 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11

### **Calculation of Final Course Letter Grade**

Each assignment will earn points reflected in the table above. For example, for Assignment 10 you can earn between 0 and 5 points. At the end of the semester, I will sum your accumulated points and assign a letter grade for your work in the course according to this scheme:

- A+ (98-100); A (94-97); A- (90-93)
- B+ (87-89); B (84-87); B- (80-83)
- C+ (77-79); C (74-77); C- (70-73)
- D+ (67-69); D (64-67); D- (60-63)
- F (<60)

Please read the "URBP-295 Grading Standards" document on Canvas for more details about how I will evaluate your performance in this course

### Participation in Class and Attendance

Your participation in class discussions is a vital component of this course and you should make every attempt to attend all classes and actively participate. You can participate in many ways such as helping explain a concept to others, sharing a thoughtful perspective that aligns with the topic covered in section, monitoring yourself so you don't hold the floor for too long and dominate the discussion, coming to office hours with thoughtful questions, commenting on your peers' work, asking questions, and responding to questions thoughtfully.

Participation in walking tours, data collection, group studio work, and other class activities is also essential for the learning objectives of this course. In cases where you miss a significant number of lectures or do not actively participate in discussions, this will impact the final course grade negatively. According to SJSU policy F69-24, "Students should attend all meetings of their classes, not only because they are responsible for material discussed therein, but because active participation is frequently essential to ensure maximum benefit for all members of the class. Attendance per se shall not be used as a criterion for grading."

### **Completing Assignments on Time and Professionally**

Assignments are due at the date and time specified in Canvas and in this syllabus. In only rare instances will late assignments be accepted, as described below. Late assignments will receive a one-half letter grade deduction for each day an assignment is late. For example, if the assignment would normally receive a grade of "B" but is submitted one day late, it will receive a final grade of "B-minus"; after two days late it will receive a grade of "C+".

I realize that life happens. If you expect not to be able to complete an assignment on time, it is important for you to do two things:

1. Contact me **at least 24 hours prior to the due date** and, if applicable, the other students on your team. If you do not communicate an anticipated late assignment within this timeframe, the grade reduction standards above will apply.

2. Provide a **date and time** by which the late assignment will be submitted. If you do not communicate an anticipated late assignment within this timeframe or if the late assignment is not received on the date promised, the assignment will begin losing points for every day it is late, as described above. If submission of the assignment continues to be delayed, a final grade of 50 is likely.

A maximum of <u>one</u> late assignment (or parts of assignments) that adhere to this policy will **be accepted**; all subsequent late assignments will receive an automatic grade of 50. Sorry, no exceptions to these policies will be granted, in fairness to the majority of students who submit their assignments on time.

Since this course focuses on the development of professional skills used by urban planners, the presentation of submitted materials will be considered as part of the assignment's grade. All assignments must include the student's name, date, course number, assignment number and other items as directed by the instructor. Neatness, clarity and organization will influence your grade.

Assignments not meeting these fundamental practices of professional presentation will generally receive a reduction in the grade.

### **Final Examination or Evaluation**

The many activities that you will undertake as part of Assignment 11 will essentially constitute the final examination for this course, along with an individual end-of-the-semester written reflection on the studio process. Attendance on the last day of the course (Dec. 14) is mandatory.

### **Course Workload**

Success in this course is based on the expectation that students will spend, for each unit of credit, a minimum of forty-five hours over the length of the course (normally 3 hours per unit per week with 1 of the hours used for lecture) for instruction or preparation/studying or course related activities including but not limited to internships, labs, clinical practica. Other course structures will have equivalent workload expectations as described in the syllabus.

Because this is a <u>six</u>-unit class, you can expect to spend a minimum of <u>fifteen</u> hours per week in addition to time spent in class; some weeks will be busier than others as is typical for a projectbased course. You should plan to set aside a significant amount of time for out of class activities including, but not limited to, required course readings, data collection and analysis, group meetings, research, preparation of final client materials, etc.

## **University Policies**

Per <u>University Policy S16-9</u> relevant university policy concerning all courses, such as student responsibilities, academic integrity, accommodations, dropping and adding, consent for recording of class, etc. and available student services (e.g. learning assistance, counseling, and other resources) are listed on <u>Syllabus Information web page</u>

(https://www.sjsu.edu/curriculum/courses/syllabus-info.php). Make sure to visit this page to review and be aware of these university policies and resources.

## **Plagiarism and Citing Sources Properly**

Plagiarism is the use of someone else's language, images, data, or ideas without proper attribution. It is a very serious offense both in the university and in your professional work. In essence, plagiarism is both theft and lying: you have stolen someone else's ideas, and then lied by implying that they are your own.

Plagiarism will lead to grade penalties and a record filed with the Office of Student Conduct and Ethical Development. In severe cases, students may also fail the course or even be expelled from the university.

If you are unsure what constitutes plagiarism, it is your responsibility to make sure you clarify the issues <u>before</u> you hand in draft or final work.

Learning when to cite a source and when not to is an art, not a science. However, here are some common examples of plagiarism that you should be careful to avoid:

- Using a sentence (or even a part of a sentence) that someone else wrote without identifying the language as a quote by putting the text in quote marks and referencing the source.
- Paraphrasing somebody else's theory or idea without referencing the source.
- Using a picture or table from a webpage or book without reference the source.

• Using data some other person or organization has collected without referencing the source.

The SJSU MLK Library provides a short (20 minutes) and informative plagiarism tutorial. The MUP faculty highly encourage all students to complete it. Details are here: <u>https://libguides.sjsu.edu/c.php?g=853661&p=6111789</u>

If you still have questions, feel free to talk to me. There is nothing wrong with asking for help, whereas even unintentional plagiarism is a serious offense.

## **Citation style**

It is important to properly cite any references you use in your assignments. The Department of Urban and Regional Planning uses Kate Turabian's *A Manual for Writers of Research Papers, Theses, and Dissertations*, 9th edition (University of Chicago Press, 2018). Copies are available in the SJSU King Library or are relatively inexpensive to purchase.

Please note that Turabian's book describes two systems for referencing materials: (1) "notes" (footnotes or endnotes), plus a corresponding bibliography, and (2) in-text parenthetical references, plus a corresponding reference list. In this class, you should use the "notes" style plus corresponding bibliography.

## Library Liaison

The SJSU Library Liaison for the Urban and Regional Planning Department is Ms. Lauren DeCelle. If you have questions, you can contact her at lauren.decelle@sjsu.edu.

## About the Instructor: Rick Kos, AICP

I am very much looking forward to working with you this semester and expect that you will learn quite a bit in our sixteen weeks together. We'll have some fun along the way, too. My goal is to serve as a mentor as we practice a number of fundamental community assessment skills used by today's planners while demonstrating professional project management techniques.

A little about my background: my formal training is in environmental planning and urban design (B.S., Rutgers University, 1985) as well as regional planning and New Urbanism (Masters, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 1993). In the late 1980s, I worked as an assistant planner in Middlesex County, NJ, reviewing subdivision and site plan proposals for compliance with county regulations. In the 1990s, I served two rapidly-growing North Carolina municipalities in a dual role as town planner and GIS coordinator (the latter being a role I created for both towns), so I am equally conversant in the language of both disciplines. From 1996 - 2000, I served as Senior Town Planner for Huntersville, North Carolina - the fastest-growing town of its size in the state at the time. The New Urbanist principles mandated by the Town's development regulations applied to both greenfield and infill sites. Since the regulations were design-based (i.e., non-Euclidean), they required me to make frequent subjective judgments on the visual qualities of streets, the orientation of proposed buildings to public spaces, and the relationship of buildings and land uses to one another. I thoroughly enjoyed defending the principles of traditional town planning, often to developers and citizens that weren't particularly receptive at first to deviations from conventional suburban planning.

After relocating to the Bay Area in 2000, I worked with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission as a GIS Planner/Analyst. The Bay Area Lifeline Transportation Map that I

completed for MTC located disadvantaged neighborhoods and thousands of geocoded essential destinations (e.g., grocery stores, daycare centers, clinics) within the 9-County region, along with existing public transit services. The spatial analyses enabled by this mapping work allowed transportation planners to locate gaps in transit service so that decision-makers could direct funding to alter bus schedules, connections and routing for improved neighborhood connectivity.

From 2003 to 2007 I served as GIS Manager for Design, Community & Environment, a 45person planning and design firm in Berkeley. I managed all aspects of the firm's GIS practice and took great pride in keeping hundreds of data layers organized across multiple projects, ensuring that the firm's metadata was up-to-date, training staff to use ArcGIS, and managing the production of hundreds of maps for General Plans and EIRs throughout California.

Through my private consultancy I also engage in occasional freelance GIS projects. For example, I am assisting Mobility Planners, LLC in the preparation of bus routing studies in various rural California communities. I am also assisting the Mori Foundation (Japan) with the collection of geospatial data sets for the City of Los Angeles in support of a project that compares the competitiveness of major world cities using a variety of metrics.

I've been teaching at SJSU since 2007 and, I must admit, it is my favorite job of the many I've listed above. Welcome! Let's work hard, with kindness, and have fun

## About our Project Advisor: Don Weden

Don Weden was the Principal Planner for the Comprehensive Planning Section of the Santa Clara County Planning Office for many years prior to his retirement. During his 34 years with Santa Clara County Planning, he managed a wide array of planning studies, including the last comprehensive revision of the County's General Plan.

Since his retirement, he has taken on the role of an unpaid community advisor and educator. Through his many PowerPoint presentations, he encourages local communities to prepare for the significant changes, challenges, and opportunities that will be coming our way in the years ahead – and that will greatly impact our lives and those of our children and future generations.

Among his various presentations have been:

- "Cities for All Ages"
- "Winds of Change"
- "Food and Farmlands in Santa Clara County"
- "CHANGE GROWTH AND PLANNING: Envisioning Santa Clara County 3.0"
- "THAT WAS THEN, THIS IS NOW: Adapting to a New Era of Growth and Development in Santa Clara County"
- "URBANISM AFTER THE PANDEMIC: Alternative Scenarios for Santa Clara County"
- "THAT WAS THEN, THIS IS NOW: Intelligent Urbanism and San Mateo County's Future."

Don Weden has been inducted into the Planner Emeritus Network of the California Chapter of the American Planning Association.

# URBP 295: CAPSTONE STUDIO IN COMMUNITY PLANNING FALL 2023 COURSE SCHEDULE

This schedule serves as a general guide to discussion topics and assignments. Details are subject to change, as is sometimes the case with a dynamic, project-based studio course. I will explain changes to this schedule via email, Canvas, and in-class announcements.

Date	Class Activities	Assignment Due Dates
PHASE ONE Existing Conditions Assessment and Community Engagement		
Week 1 August 22	<ul> <li>Introductions and course/project overview</li> <li>Success tips from recent URBP-295 'alumni'</li> <li>Guest speakers Michael Oye and Jennifer Rodriguez-Alonso: role of CommUniverCity</li> <li>Aerial photo analysis of North San Jose</li> <li>Meet our Project Advisor, Don Weden</li> <li>Overview of course assignments</li> </ul>	
Week 2 August 29	<ul> <li>Discussion: findings from Assignment 1</li> <li>Field Trip: meet our SJDOT clients at City Hall</li> <li>Field Trip: "Studio on the Street" (76 S. 1<sup>st</sup> St.)</li> <li>Form Phase One teams and kickoff our project</li> </ul>	<b>Assignment 1 Due:</b> North San Jose Planning Policies
Week 3 September 5	<ul> <li>Discussion: findings from Assignment 2</li> <li>Field Trip: VTA Headquarters (tip: this is a chance to gather material for Assign. 6 and 8)</li> <li>Working dinner: discuss the day's findings</li> </ul>	Assignment 2 Due: Scope of Work for the North San Jose Multimodal Transportation Improvement Plan (MTIP)
Week 4 September 12	<ul> <li>Discussion: findings from Assignment 3</li> <li>Field Trip: meet David Cohen, Councilmember for District 4 at City Hall</li> <li>Studio work session; field work as needed; meetings with instructor on team progress</li> </ul>	<b>Assignment 3 Due:</b> Demographic Mapping with Esri's Community Analyst Webapp
Week 5 September 19	<ul> <li>Discussion: findings from Assignment 4</li> <li>Studio work session; field work as needed; meetings with instructor on team progress</li> </ul>	Assignment 4 Due: Reading Reflections #1 of 5: ( <u>theme:</u> community engagement techniques)
<b>Week 6</b> September 26	<ul> <li>Discussion: findings from Assignment 5</li> <li>Studio work session; field work as needed; meetings with instructor on team progress</li> </ul>	Assignment 5 Due: Reading Reflections #2 of 5: ( <u>theme:</u> place and placemaking techniques)

Date	Class Activities	Assignment Due Dates	
Week 7 October 3	<ul> <li>Presentations: Assignment 6 Urban Montages</li> <li>Studio work session; field work as needed; meetings with instructor on team progress</li> </ul>	<b>Assignment 6 Due:</b> North San Jose Urban Montage Presentations	
Week 8 October 10	<ul> <li>Discussion: findings from Assignment 7</li> <li>Studio work session; field work as needed; meetings with instructor on team progress</li> </ul>	Assignment 7 Due: Reading Reflections #3 of 5: ( <u>theme:</u> tips for effective oral presentations)	
Week 9 October 17	<ul> <li>'Dress rehearsal' for October 24 presentation</li> <li>Studio work session; field work as needed; meetings with instructor on team progress</li> </ul>	Assignment 8A Due: Draft Phase One Deliverables; Preparations for Mid- Semester Findings Presentation	
Week 10 October 24	<ul> <li>Mid-semester presentation to project partners at City Hall</li> <li>Students complete Phase One peer reviews</li> <li>Phase Two Overview</li> </ul>	<b>Assignment 8B Due:</b> Final Phase One Deliverables; Mid-Semester Findings Presentation to Clients	
PHASE TWO Visions for Retrofitting North San Jose; Final Presentation			
Week 11 October 31	<ul> <li>Form Phase Two teams and get to work</li> <li>Studio work session; field work as needed; meetings with instructor on team progress</li> </ul>		
Week 12 November 7	<ul> <li>Discussion: findings from Assignment 9</li> <li>Studio work session; field work as needed; meetings with instructor on team progress</li> </ul>	Assignment 9 Due: Reading Reflections #4 of 5: ( <u>theme:</u> tips for effective visual and graphic communication)	
Week 13 November 14	<ul> <li>Studio work session; field work as needed; meetings with instructor on team progress</li> </ul>		
Week 14 November 21	<ul> <li>Discussion: findings from Assignment 10</li> <li>Studio work session; field work as needed; meetings with instructor on team progress</li> </ul>	Assignment 10 Due: Reading Reflections #5 of 5: ( <u>theme:</u> tips for effective written communication)	
Week 15 November 28	<ul> <li>Studio work session; field work as needed; meetings with instructor on team progress</li> <li>'Dress rehearsal' #1 for Dec. 14 final presentation</li> </ul>		
Week 16 December 5 Last day of regular class meetings	<ul> <li>Dress rehearsal' #2 for Dec. 14 final presentation</li> <li>Submission of all Phase Two draft deliverables</li> <li>Complete course evaluation (SOTES)</li> </ul>	<b>Assignment 11A Due:</b> Draft Phase Two Deliverables; Preparations for Final Findings Presentation	

Date	Class Activities	Assignment Due Dates
Week 17 <u>Thurs</u> . Dec. 14 Official SJSU final exam day; course culmination activities; attendance required	<ul> <li>Final presentation to project partners at City Hall</li> <li>Submit all Phase Two final deliverables</li> <li>Written reflections on course accomplishments</li> <li>Complete Phase Two peer reviews</li> <li>End of semester celebration!</li> </ul>	<b>Assignment 11B Due:</b> Final Phase Two Deliverables; Final Findings Presentation to Clients