

Place, activity and human development (MP0001) - Amanda Gabriel and Elizabeth Marcheschi

Guidelines for the course

Dates for obligatory online meetings

Autumn semester 2024

September 4 - 6

October 9 - 11

November 18 - 20

2025 January 13 - 14

- The course primarily emphasizes independent work, complemented by scheduled activities that are crucial for enhancing learning and knowledge acquisition.
- To successfully complete the course, participation in several mandatory components is required: **the introductory session, literature seminars, all group activities, assignments, and presentations.**
- In the event of missing any mandatory elements, it is advisable to reach out to the course instructors promptly.
- It is imperative to note that failure to attend more than two mandatory activities necessitates retaking them the following year, potentially leading to course failure.
- Notably, each assignment carries a specific deadline, while designated dates are assigned for mandatory sessions and presentations. Timely submission of assignments is paramount, as late submissions may receive a maximum grade of 3 out of 5.
- In cases where an assignment is not approved, resubmission is allowed, with a maximum of two attempts permitted per semester, each potentially receiving a maximum grade of 3 out of 5.

Module I: Introduction to human-place relations and course overview

4th September	13.00-13.45	Elizabeth Marcheschi, Amanda Gabriel	Introduction to course with overview of the content, structure and assignments
	14.00-16.30	Elizabeth Marcheschi, Amanda Gabriel	Lecture: basic concepts for the course - making meaning of space and place
5th September	9:00-10:30	Elizabeth Marcheschi	Lecture: The psychological construct of place attachment
	10.45-12.15	Amanda Gabriel	Lecture: Different perspectives of place and lived emplacement
	13.00-16.00	By yourself in a natural location nearby	Activity: Place meaning through land art
6th September	09.00-11.00	Katinka Horgen Evensen Norwegian University of Life Sciences Department of Landscape Architecture Spatial Planning	Lecture: Restorative environments – how can nature environments support mental restoration?
	11.15-12.15	<i>Beatrice Gardini</i> OHW Alumni University of Padua Department of Land, Environment, Agriculture and Forestry and Department of General Psychology	Lecture: forest bathing and restorative places
	13.00	Amanda Gabriel	Workshop: A sense of place through land art - Introduction
	13.15-15.30	Amanda Gabriel	Workshop: A sense of place through land art - presentations and group work -

Module II: The meaning-making processes of place across the lifespan

9th of October	9.00-10.30	Elisabeth von Essen Former Course leader, Former Researcher in environmental psychology	Lecture: Attachment theory and relationality
	10.45-12.15	Anna Bengtsson - Researcher in EP	Lecture: Feeling at home when elderly and the specific role of outdoor environment.
10th of October	10.00-12.30		Lecture: Place use and meaning in childhood
	13:30-15.00	Mark Wales	Lecture: The importance of place for teenage well-being
11h of October	9.00-12.00	Amanda Gabriel	Literature seminar I + start workshop: how would I dream to live?
	13.00-16.30	Amanda Gabriel & Elizabeth Marcheschi	Workshop: How would I dream to live? with presentation in the end of day

Module III: Disruption in place relations: place disruption, challenges and renegotiation of bonds

18th of November	10.00-12.00	Anna María Palsdottir - Researcher in EP	Lecture: Everyday life after involuntary migration
	13.00-14.00	Elizabeth Marcheschi	Lecture: Disruption in place attachment: concept, examples and reflections
19th of November	9.00-10.00	To be confirmed	Lecture: Homelessness
	10.15-12.15		Literature seminar II
	13.15-16.00	Amanda Gabriel	Group work: writing a commentary about homelessness
20th of November	13.00-14.00	Amanda Gabriel	Assignment III - introduction and cognitive map workshop
	14.15-16.00	Amanda Gabriel	Group assignment - Alternative place

Module IV - Final module

13th of January 2024	9.00-10.30	Amanda Gabriel and Elizabeth Marcheschi	Presentations of Final assignment III
	10.30-12.00	Amanda Gabriel and Elizabeth Marcheschi	Presentations of Assignment II - groups
	13.00-14.00	Amanda Gabriel and Elizabeth Marcheschi	Course evaluation

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