

SUMMER TERM 09/10

WELSH SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE
VERTICAL STUDIO
BSc 1 & BSc 2

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

After the successes of previous years, Vertical Studio proposals are being invited from all teaching/research staff (full and part-time) and external built environment professionals, designers and artists.

The Summer Term is intended to broaden the students' experience in research and design. A wide range of options is being sought, drawn from research, practice and other interests, so as to reflect the expertise and enthusiasm of the WSA community.

Outcomes

The learning outcomes are intentionally broad and require students to:

- Engage critically with an aspect of research in the field of architectural studies, and to understand this in relation to a wider context
- Demonstrate an understanding of architecture as an integrated discipline that engages with a broad range of research approaches
- Represent and communicate the results of their work in appropriate forms

Units

There are 140 students between BSc 1 and BSc 2. Twelve units are needed to meet a maximum of twelve students per unit leader. Typically each unit will be run by one person for four weeks starting on 26 April 2010. A minimum of one scheduled day of teaching per week will be required, including 1-2 days for final reviews and feedback.

Criteria

The following criteria will be taken into account when selecting the proposals:

- Involvement of experimentation and exploration
- Links to research and/or practice within and outside of the WSA
- Feasibility of the proposal in terms of time management
- Consideration of costs outside the budget e.g. materials, travelling, workshops, etc. Commercial sponsorship may be appropriate

Publication

This year, based on last year's excellent results, we would like to formalise the outcomes as follows:

- Digital publication of the Vertical Studio on the WSA website
- Publication in the WSA journal (MADE)
- A selection of the presented work will be exhibited in the WSA annual exhibition

Submission

Outline proposals should be submitted on one A4 sheet along with a CV to Susan Morgans (MorgansS@cardiff.ac.uk) by 7 December 2009. Questions may be addressed to Sam Clark (ClarkSD1@cardiff.ac.uk) and Sergio Pineda (PinedaS@cardiff.ac.uk) before 5 December 2009. The chosen proposals will be announced on 18 January 2010.