Elective Course Outline Summer 2012

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Note: This syllabus is subject to change as determined by the instructor

Credit Hours: 3 Credit Hours (3 Lecture hours)

Meeting Time: Tuesdays, 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Meeting Place: College of Architecture – West Wing, Room 259

247 Fourth Street, NW Atlanta, Georgia 30332

Class Schedule: Summer 2012

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

Students are responsible for all applicable rules and regulations, including the Student Code of Conduct and Rules and Regulations described in the 2010-2011 Georgia Tech Catalog.

COURSE DESCRIPTION AND GOALS

Higher density mixed-use developments are essential to creating more sustainable living environments. The class will explore: 1) how best to encourage these types of developments; 2) what are the best design principles for communities of this type; 3) how should mixed-use developments be owned and operated to promote efficiency of operations and a sense of community; 4) how they can attract a diverse range of owners and occupants; 5) the locations where mixed-use is best suited; 6) which uses are most compatible in mixed-use developments; 7) the pros and cons of vertical versus horizontal mixed use; 8) how best to finance mixed use developments; 9) construction challenges in developing mixed-use communities; 10) zoning, building code and fire code challenges in developing mixed-use communities; and 11) how to define and categorize different types of mixed-use developments. This class will explore the various challenges in bringing a mixed-use development to market and seek to develop something of a best practices manual for successful mixed use developments. This will be done through readings, discussion, lecture, research and listening to various experts each of whom have a role to play in creating successful mixed-use developments. Many of the classes will feature developers and other experts on mixed-use developments who will share their views on how to make mixed-use developments more successful. After each of these sessions, students will discuss what they have learned and whether the presentation has given them ideas for a best practice or practices in this area. Students will work in groups in critiquing a proposed mixed-use development. Some of the guestions the class will be exploring with the various experts can be found at the end of this syllabus.

READINGS, PREPARATION AND PARTICIPATION

Readings will be provided by the instructor on T-Square.

EXAMS

Since this is a seminar, there will be no exams.

PAPER

Students will be required to write and present to the class a paper on some aspect of mixed-use development of interest to them. In addition, students will do team recommendations on a proposed mixed-use development.

TEXTBOOK

No textbook is required for this course. Readings will be provided by the instructor on T-Square.