



Blended course

Public Space and Transitions: Planning, Design and Management

Are you dealing with complex transition challenges in public space and infrastructures? Are you looking for integrated approaches of climate adaptation, energy transition, circularity or mobility where planning, design, management and maintenance interact? Do you want to broaden and deepen your theoretical knowledge and skills and apply the latest insights in a real-world context? Do you enjoy collaborating with master students? Then this course is something for you!

Target group

This course is a mixed classroom course, designed for a blend of two groups: professionals acquainted with the management of public space and master students with a background in planning or design. Professionals and students collaborate in this course in small interdisciplinary teams.

Results

After successful completion of this course, you will be able to analyse the impact of different transitions in public space from different disciplinary perspectives. You can distinguish the different roles of planning, design and management in public space; and understand how they can collaborate. You can develop a product for a transition problem in public space, based on an integrated approach. You can integrate theoretical perspectives with your practical knowledge and experience; and demonstrate relevant competences in an interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary context.

Date 31 October – 21
December 2022
Location Online Campus
Duration 80-90 study hours

Course leader Dr *ir.* Marlies Brinkhuijsen, WU

Topics

The following topics are part of the programme:

- planning, design and management
- public space
- transition theory
- transitions such as climate adaptation, mobility, circularity, energy transition challenges
- integrative approaches integrated
- approach
- interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary working
- boundary crossing

Programme

The study load for professionals is approximately two afternoons per week, except for 7th week, when an intensive workshop is scheduled each afternoon. We expect little homework, apart from preparing a case from your own daily practice to be used in class. For a detailed schedule and location of the classes (campus, online or fieldwork) you can contact the course coordinator.

The course consists of different components.

Week 1-5 Lectures

In the first weeks you will learn a range of theories and approaches on different topics, such as planning, design and management, public space, transition theory, mobility, climate adaptation, energy transition, circularity, life cycle management and integration. You will get acquainted with relevant theories and knowledge through a mix of short videos, literature, exercises and discussions.

Week 1-5 'Stand in the shoes'

You will be coupled to a master student who will work on a project in your own daily practice from another disciplinary perspective. You will reflect on your daily routines and discuss alternative approaches.

Week 6-8 Intensive workshop

In the last weeks of the course, you will apply the required knowledge and skills in a real-world project in which public and private stakeholders and multiple disciplines collaborate, integrating innovation processes and research.

Week 1-8 Personal development

In this course you will work with others outside your own discipline, culture, and context. Boundary crossing experiences in the course enable you to develop your competences for interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary working. You will also reflect upon integrating gained knowledge and skills in your daily practice.

Requirements

The course is meant for professionals active in the field of public space management with a Bachelor level by working experience or study. The language in the course is English; participants are expected to be proficient English users in speaking and writing (CEFR level C1), but some flexibility with respect to the language is possible. Contact the course leader if you have questions / are in doubt.

This course has been developed by experts of Wageningen University in collaboration with the Stichting Managing Public Space. The course is part of a series of three courses, which can be followed separately. www.managingpublicspace.com



Practical information



€ 2.295,- including access to the digital learning environment with all study materials.



Max. 18 professional participants (and max. 18 MSc students).



Upon successful completion, a certificate with an individual mark list is issued.

Registration

Enrollment is possible until 2 October 2022, or if the maximum number of participants is reached.

Employees of sponsors of the Stichting Managing Public Space have priority.

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