

Studio Sergison
Accademia di architettura
Università della Svizzera italiana

Autumn Semester 2021

Shul

Over the course of the year the studio will work on public buildings. In the Autumn semester 2021 the studio will focus on Shul as a building type. This is the Yiddish word for Synagogue and derives from the German word for school, *Schule*.

The project is intended to serve the needs of the Liberal Jewish Synagogue as home for community use, as a place for ritual practice and religious study. The project invites students to design a new building on one of a number of sites in Zurich.

At the beginning of the semester (24.-26.09.21) students will survey an existing synagogue in northern Italy and Switzerland, working in small groups. A site visit to Zurich is also planned at the beginning of October (07.-09.10.21). Time will be devoted to developing an understanding of the conditions of the site and the needs of the community that the building is intended to serve.

Throughout the semester students are asked to develop projects in pairs proposing clear, inventive solutions to accommodate the rituals and functions a synagogue is expected to provide. During the course of the semester lectures and talks will be offered to assist and support students in the task.

Particular emphasis will be placed on the study of the building's atmosphere in terms of its contribution to the architectural ambitions of the project. This will require the building of large and accurate models, as well three-dimensional drawings.

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Meeting
On Thursday 23rd of September
at 10:00 for the studio introduction.

