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### **Purpose:**

**Article 1:** The purpose of this directive is to establish the principles related to the Architectural Design VIII course within the "Department of Architecture" of Gebze Technical University Faculty of Architecture.

### **Scope:**

**Article 2:** This directive covers the principles related to the Architectural Design VIII course (MIM495) included in the course program of the "Department of Architecture" at Gebze Technical University Faculty of Architecture.

### **Definition:**

**Article 3:** The Architectural Design VIII course is a project-design study carried out through a scientific method by utilizing various sources, ensuring the systematic use of the knowledge acquired in the main branches of the Architecture Department and in the Curriculum of the student's registered department. It measures and documents the student's design abilities. This independent project, prepared by the student without regular corrections, is periodically supervised by juries.

### **Conditions for Taking the Architectural Design VIII Course:**


**Article 4:** In order for a student to enrol in the Architectural Design VIII course, they must have successfully completed the courses in the first four semesters of the education program, as well as the prerequisite courses for the Architectural Design VIII course in the semester immediately preceding the Architectural Design VIII course. Additionally, the student is required to have fulfilled internship obligations.

### **Taking and Implementation Procedures of Architectural Design Courses:**

**Article 5:** Subject to the provision of Article 4 of this directive, the student registers for the Architectural Design VIII course with the approval of their advisor, along with the other courses they will take. The Architectural Design VIII course cannot be taken from the summer school programs of Gebze Technical University or other universities

### **Determination of the Architectural Design VIII Course Jury:**

**Article 6:** The Department Chairmanship of Architecture, by forming a jury consisting of faculty members and staff of the department, announces and notifies the Dean's Office, along with the task assignments for the Architectural Design VIII course. If deemed necessary by the Department of Architecture Board, the Board may decide to appoint members to the jury from other departments within the Faculty and/or from outside the Faculty, including instructors from other universities and recognized architects and/or urban and regional planning experts known for their work in the field of architecture and/or expertise. This decision is then presented to the approval of the Department Chairmanship of Architecture.

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### **Responsibilities of the Architectural Design VIII Course Jury:**

**Article 7:** The responsibilities of the Architectural Design VIII course jury are as follows:

- Determine the subject, scope, criteria, and schedule of the Architectural Design VIII course, and inform the Department Chairmanship of Architecture at the end of the first week of the academic year following the end of the registration period,
- Specify and announce the presentation qualities and characteristics of the Architectural Design VIII course,
- Monitor and approve the projects produced by students in the Architectural Design VIII course throughout the semester,
- Monitor the compliance of the Architectural Design VIII course with the required qualities and standards,
- Track the progress of the student during the Architectural Design VIII course process.

### **Conducting the Architectural Design VIII Course:**


**Article 8:** Each semester, the Architectural Design VIII course jury, determined by the Department Chairmanship during the course assignments and approved by the Faculty Board, notifies the Dean's Office in writing and announces to the students the topic(s) of the Architectural Design VIII course within the first week of the semester. The Architectural Design VIII course jury announces the interim jury dates, where they will meet at least twice during the semester to review the projects of the Architectural Design VIII course students, within the first week of the semester. Students are required to participate in interim juries. The average score of the interim juries is considered as the midterm exam grade. Except for compelling reasons (such as strikes, lockouts, or work slowdowns preventing the conduct of the jury, war, mobilization, public uprisings, terrorism, etc., earthquakes, storms, floods, avalanches, lightning, natural disasters, chemical pollution, radiation accidents, radiation precipitation, ionizing radiation, fire, or serious contagious diseases), students who do not participate in more than two interim juries are not given the right to the final jury. A student who cannot participate in an interim jury due to a valid excuse must submit the required documents to the department secretary within the specified period, as stated in the undergraduate regulations, along with a document explaining the excuse. If the excuse is accepted by the Faculty Executive Board, the student is granted the right to participate in the jury. The excuse jury is conducted by jury members in the absence of the student.

### **Submission of the Architectural Design VIII Project:**

**Article 9:** The Architectural Design VIII course project is submitted at the specified date and with the required qualifications, as announced by the Department Chairmanship of Architecture within the first week of the semester. Students who do not submit their Architectural Design VIII course projects on the specified day or time will not be admitted to the exam.

### **Architectural Design VIII Project Submission:**

**Article 9:** The project for the Architectural Design VIII course is to be submitted at the date and with the required specifications announced by the Department Chairmanship of Architecture within the first week

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of the semester. Students who fail to submit their Architectural Design VIII course projects on the specified day or time will not be allowed to take the exam.

#### **Architectural Design VIII Course Exam:**

**Article 10:** The exam for the Architectural Design VIII course is conducted by the Architectural Design VIII Jury on the date announced by the Department Chairmanship of Architecture within the first week of the semester. The jury informs the Department Chairmanship of Architecture the characteristics of the Architectural Design VIII course exam within the first week of the semester. The exam can take the form of an open or closed oral defence. If necessary, a sketch exam may also be conducted.

The student defends their Architectural Design VIII course project orally on the specified date and time. The defence lasts a maximum of 20 minutes. The student's grade of achievement is reported to the Department Chairmanship by the jury.

#### **Failure and Retake in the Architectural Design VIII Course:**

**Article 11:** Students who fail to fulfil their obligations for the Architectural Design VIII course under the conditions outlined above and are unsuccessful and they must comply with the new conditions for the Architectural Design VIII course determined by the jury appointed by the Department Chairmanship for the next semester. The student's connection with the subject and work for which they failed in the Architectural Design VIII course is dismissed. There is no opportunity for excuses or summer school in the Architectural Design VIII course.

#### **Various Provisions:**

##### **Article 12:**

In relation to the single-course exam, there is no right to a single-course exam in the Architectural Design VIII course, which is evaluated as a project in accordance with the relevant article of the GTU Undergraduate Education and Training Regulation.

**Article 13:** In cases not covered by this directive, the GTU Undergraduate Education and Training Regulation, Architectural Design Course Implementation Principles Directive, and/or principles decisions taken by the Department and Faculty Boards will be applied.

#### **Effectiveness:**


##### **Article 14:**

The directive on the implementation principles of Architectural Design VIII course enters into force on the date it is accepted by the GTU Senate and is valid for all students in the Department of Architecture at Gebze Technical University Faculty of Architecture.

#### **Execution:**

##### **Article 15:**

The provisions of this directive are executed by the Head of the Department of Architecture at the GTU Faculty of Architecture.

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