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## Understand the House as Architecture

*Thinking about designing a new home or a major remodel? Then learn about the process, and avoid common mistakes. This program is your blueprint to become an informed client of your architect and contractor.*

### Shape the Environment Around You

You've got the dreams and secured the money, now you need to select an architect who'll insure that the outcome of your house project matches your vision. The House as Architecture program can help you understand the architectural design process and make informed decisions at the appropriate steps as your own design develops. With the House as Architecture integrated courses offered by the University of Washington, you'll learn about the elements of functionality, aesthetics, safety and economic value that all influence design. You'll also learn how to work effectively with a professional architect to get the most out of your investment.

Or perhaps you're a real estate agent or developer who wants to speak knowledgeably about the architecture of the homes you sell? This course will give you insight into the architectural design process and valuable technical information to help you better represent the homes you are selling.

### Gain Personal Growth or a Make a Career Change

This series of courses is approved by the UW College of Architecture and Urban Planning and is designed to give you an in-depth overview of the ins and outs of residential architecture. In addition, you'll:

- Meet new people who share your same interests
- Learn from professionals with direct experience in architecture
- Access a convenient and flexible class schedule

### The House as Architecture Courses Cover:

- Sustainability and green design
- The history of Northwest residential architecture
- The roles and services of design and construction professionals
- The contract arrangements for your project that ensure obtaining the best value for the services and materials you are buying
- The fundamentals of planning and organizing a new home or remodel
- In-depth reviews of materials and products
- The basic systems and maintenance of a house

## House as Architecture Courses

The following courses are part of the House as Architecture program. These courses are not part of the architectural degree program at UW, although some people have found this series helpful in assessing their interest in pursuing a career in architecture.

### The House as Architecture: Part 1

Study the history of residential architecture illustrated by outstanding examples of residential design. Gain an understanding of the design process and learn about the production of drawings, specifications, contracts and budgets. Guest experts visit the class to provide different ideas, viewpoints and perspectives.

### The House as Architecture: Part 2

Focus on two major subjects in this course: how the house relates to the environment, and how to choose the materials and finishes for the interior and exterior.

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