

MODULE DESCRIPTION – ACADEMIC YEAR 2020-2021

Field	Design and Fine Arts		
Program	Master Design		
Major	All majors		
Module title	Training in research I – Introduction		
Code	1MaDe11		DDI303811FE20
Course type	Master		
Semester	Semester 1		
ECTS credits	3		
Prerequisites	None		
Languages	French / English		
Place	ECAL		

Skills targeted General learning objectives	This module aims to convey the nature and stakes of design research to the students, through an approach closely linking theory and practice. This enables students to differentiate between design practice and design research practice (to understand the epistemology of research). Several concrete examples allow them to apprehend the various aspects and possible approaches.
Teaching content and form	The module takes place over two block days, one of which brings together 1 st year students with 2 nd year students taking the <i>Training in Research III</i> module. The first day of the module is provided as an introductory course on design research. Presentations by designers/researchers shed practical light on the concepts introduced in the course. On the second day, students taking the <i>Training in Research III</i> module present their work. Several concrete cases are presented and analysed. In the second part of the day, an interdisciplinary workshop allows students to apply some of the concepts seen earlier.
Forms of assessment and validation	The module is assessed on the basis of a short critical review of the interdisciplinary workshop, taking place in the afternoon of the second day. Grades take into account the contents as well as the form, i.e. the quality of the oral and/or written delivery. Furthermore, the assessment takes into account students' regular attendance. Students must have a minimum grade of 4 in order to obtain credits.
Remedial teaching	A remedial course may be taken by students with slightly insufficient grades (3.5), under the conditions agreed with the head of the module, within 3 to 4 weeks after the assessment. In case of more acute failure (grade 3 or lower) the module must be repeated the following academic year. No remedial course can be taken for a repeated module.
Professors	Anthony Masure (HEAD), Anniina Koivu, Davide Fornari with heads, professors and lecturers of the majors.

In charge of the module	Davide Fornari		
Description validated on	3 August 2020	By	Davide Fornari

The French text is authentic.