Appendix 2

Description graduation pl an P2

Graduation Plan: Architecture

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Studio	
Theme	Complex Projects - Chicago Studio
Teachers	Tanner Merkeley, Darrel Ronald, Mitesh Dixit, Kees Kaan
Argumentation of choice of the studio	Because nowadays way cities are created are changing. instead of masterplan there are much more complex relationships of different developments and partnerships.
Title	
Title of the graduation project	South Works - Community Cooperation Cluster

Product

Problem Statement

South Chicago neighbourhood have experienced long lasting decline and segregation. Now when the empty site next to it are ready for large scale development the question is: How existing community can be ready from new large scale development and benefit from it without gentrification. Specific problems I am addressing is unemployment, low education, single mom support, safety, high energy conumption, food desert.

Goal

My goal is to reinvent the structure of the existing neighbourhood the way it strengthen community and work together with new development. The core idea is to design system of block cooperatives that nurture healthy development.

Process

Method description

Literature, statistics, interviews and other material studies about South Chicago context and practices around US and World.

Site visit and interviews.

Design Methods - modeling, tracing, sketching, branding, visualizing.

Literature and general practical preference

Theories about American Urbanism, Politics, Education, Industry, Racial division, Visual Culture, Capitalism, Cooperation. US census data about demographics, education, employment from Chicago and neighbourhood. Examples of large scale masterplans, startup clusters, schools, cooperatives, community development programs.

The Death and Life of Great American Cities / The Economy of Cities - Jane Jacobs The Possibility of an Absolute Architecture - Pier Vittorio Aureli

Architectural Positions - Architecture, Modernity and the Public Space - Edited T.Avermate, K.Havik, H.Teerds

Interviews with local proffesors in USA, SOM etc.

Reflection

Relevance

Graduation project aims to create realistic propasal for neighbourhood transformation using exisitng examples. It intends to confront Lakeside Development plans and encourige community to at least partlly organaize themsevles in more sustainable way, get pride and hope.

Time planning

- P2 graduation proposal, plans 1:500
- P3 Building Technology assistance, plans, facades, sections 1:500; part of the building 1:200 Urban plan 1:500; plans, facades, sections 1:200, 1: 100;
- P4 Theoretical support, urban plan 1:500; plans, facades, sections 1:200, 1: 100; part of a building 1:50; facade fragment 1:20; detail 1:5

P5 graduation - Model, vizualizations, presentation

There are no re-takes for exams and extra points needed, therefore no electives are planned besides the graduation project.

Attention

Part of the graduation (especially in the MSc 4) is the technical building design. Therefore a Building Technology teacher will be part of the tutoring team from the P2 presentation on. This should be taken into account when writing the Learning plan / personal graduation contract, in the time planning as well as in the relation to the content (e.g. statement, method and /or relevance).