

Graduation Plan

Master of Science Architecture, Urbanism & Building Sciences



Graduation Plan: All tracks

Submit your Graduation Plan to the Board of Examiners (Examencommissie-BK@tudelft.nl), Mentors and Delegate of the Board of Examiners one week before P2 at the latest.

The graduation plan consists of at least the following data/segments:

Personal information	
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Studio		
Name / Theme	Theme 8: User Perspective	
Main mentor	prof.dr.ir. A.C. (Alexandra) den Heijer	Real Estate Management
Second mentor	dr.ir. T. A. (Tom) Daamen	Urban Development Management
Argumentation of choice of the studio	Discovering the possibilities of a public real estate portfolio from a user perspective, I find interesting to research. The national government, or the Rijksvastgoedbedrijf, could add public value to an urban area with their office buildings by considering the needs of the users. Users covers the employees but also external actors in the area.	

Graduation project	
Title of the graduation project	Integrating public office buildings in the city context. Subtitle: Discovering the possibilities of adding public value via governmental offices in The Hague when moving from solid towards gas.

Goal	
Location:	Centre of The Hague
The posed problem,	The Rijksvastgoedbedrijf struggles to find a balance of maximal workspaces and added public value to the surrounding area.
research questions and	To what extent could governmental office buildings add social value to the environment when moving from solid towards gas?
design assignment in which these result.	Discovering if changing workflows can create space for public value in governmental office buildings.

Process	
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Method description

For the qualitative research, desk research will be done through interviews and literature review. Also, a case study will be done about three projects in The Hague, through interviews and document analysis. To gather information about workflows, stakeholder's demands, and organisational goals, interviews with the public actors are important. A case study will be done to understand the functioning of the governmental office spaces and the potentials of the Rijksvastgoedbedrijf to add public value.

Literature and general practical preference

This research is built on the DAS-model to determine the potential future of the real estate portfolio of the Rijksvastgoedbedrijf, focused on office buildings in The Hague. Thereby, the theory of solid, liquid, and gas is used to determine the workflows in the office buildings. Also, the four perspectives from Den Heijer are used to make a difference in actors and goals. Those perspectives are organisational, functional, financial, and physical. The city context is also important in this research to understand how the office buildings integrate in the urban environment. And last, public value is an important aspect of this research since the Rijksvastgoedbedrijf wants to give back to the public through its real estate.

Reflection

1. What is the relation between your graduation (project) topic, the studio topic (if applicable), your master track (A/U/BT/LA/MBE), and your master programme (MSc AUBS)?

The topic of this graduation project is about public office buildings but seen from a user perspective, which is the studio topic. It considers the potential added public value for the city of office buildings, which is in purpose of the users. Therefore, this research takes the user perspective into account.

This graduation project fits into the Management in the Built Environment master track since it is about Real Estate Management, which eventually is a part of the Architecture Urbanism and Building Sciences master, because of the spatial planning and real estate relations.

2. What is the relevance of your graduation work in the larger social, professional, and scientific framework.

This research will be executed in assignment of the Rijksvastgoedbedrijf, which is a public real estate company with social goals and a professional workflow. The aim of this research is to find potential added public value to urban areas through governmental office buildings, which is a social goal. Scientifically, this will help generalise the theory of solid, liquid and gas by adapting it from campuses to office buildings.