

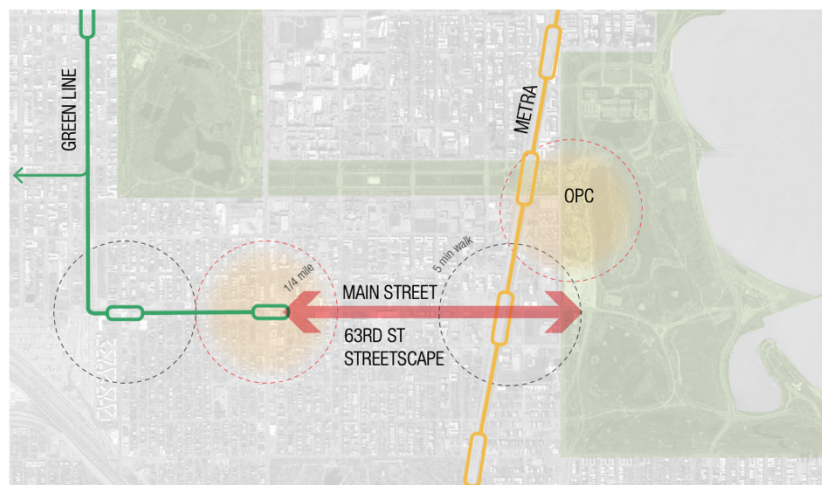
The Chicago Studio, SPRING 2021.
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This face to face studio will be offered at 333 S. Desplaines in Chicago. A second course, ARCH 576 is a corequisite for the studio. Students will be required to test for Covid-19 on a weekly basis. Tests can be taken at the University of Illinois Chicago. Students will be required to social distance.

Introduction:

The Chicago Studio will be undertaking an urban design project and architecture projects located in Woodlawn, Ward 20, Chicago. The study area is just south of Hyde Park and centered on 63rd Street, between the terminus of the Green line L at 63rd and Cottage Grove and the Obama Presidential Center located at the edge of Stony Island and 61st Street in Jackson Park.

The project will be to create an urban design proposal based upon the 2020 Consolidated Plan produced by the Chicago Department of Planning and then create teams to resolve specific sites and issues in the plan. It is anticipated that M.ARCH graduate students will lead the Urban Design investigations and follow -up with architecture investigations for specifically selected sites.



63RD STREET- MAIN STREET

- Leverage the OPC and existing transit connections
- Improve basic services, infrastructure and community assets
- Cluster community programs and private developments that increase economic opportunities for local community members

Above image from page 17 of the CCAC Sprint 2017

Background:

A CCAC SPRINT plan was created in 2017 by developers, community leaders, planners, architects, landscape architects, lawyers, transportation experts, and others, It is called the 2017 Sprint: The Central Area to Jackson Park. See: https://09c47485-1b8d-4f89-b074-f6654fd639b4.filesusr.com/ugd/c62b69_95d11dc26964414f8eac89c6a1585310.pdf

This study was initiated by the Chicago Central Area Committee and will supply the starting point for our investigations.

Project Opportunities:

There are numerous aspects to this evolving project: Students will have the opportunity to work with a host of people as they seek to improve an area of Chicago that is undergoing marked change.

The studio will partner with members of the community: professionals, developers, city planners from the Department of Planning and Development, the Discovery Partners Institute, commARCH and area share holders. The following is a brief and partial list of participants:

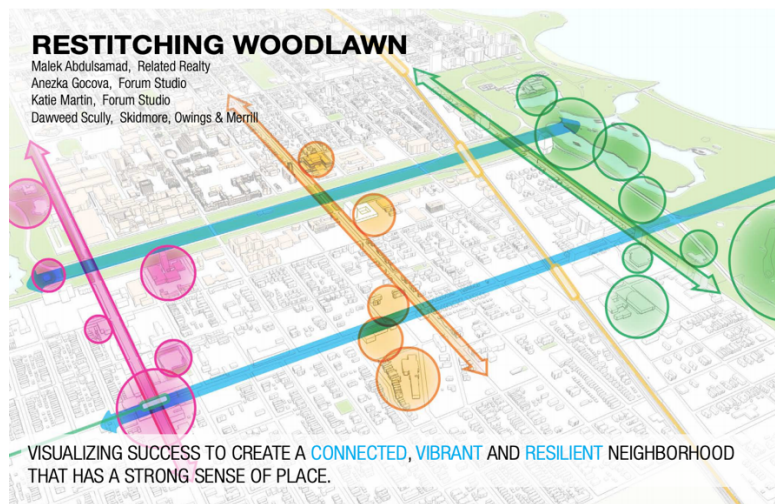
The Department of Planning and Development, along with 2017 CCAC participants, will be associated with this new investigation as it seeks to build upon the ideas developed. It is anticipated that DPD will serve as a resource to the students regarding past and ongoing planning priorities, file-sharing, and design reviews. DPD looks forward to incorporating studio proposals into their visioning as appropriate and can share their materials with the studio as available. In areas DPD has not yet prioritized, they could perhaps leverage this work to initiate future planning / development studies. (the contact person is Luke Mich, DPD, City Planner, Southeast Region)

We are seeking to engage Chicago's Aldermen Taylor and Hairston, along with Chicago developers, particularly local, minority owned developers are being approached to participate in the project as team members. (participants to be announced)

Commercial Architecture- commARCH (see: <https://www.commarch.com/>) – is partnering with the Chicago Studio to bring manufacturers of building materials into the process. It is anticipated that these partners will also offer internships for interested students. commARCH will follow the studio and document its work. commARCH seeks to create a digital twin for the area to enhance visibility and assist in the student learning process. This partnership also seeks to provide student internship opportunities. (The contact person for commARCH is Dean Horowitz, CPO and President.)

The Discovery Partnership Institute (DPI) is being engaged to connect outside partners with the project. Specifically in the areas of education and corporate engagement. (The contact person is Jeffery Donne, Corporate Engagement Lead)

The studio will attempt to become a partner with the 2021 Chicago Biennial. David Brown, UIC, is the Artistic Director. Once agreement between parties has been solidified, Hinderes will reach out to Mr. Brown to discuss participation. This is not a certainty but Chicago Biennial participation will be a studio goal.



Above image from page 44 of the CCAC Sprint 2017

Partial List of Other Potential Groups: Network of Woodlawn (NOW), Obama Presidential Center, IDEA, Emerald South Economic Development Collaborative, University of Chicago, Mount Carmel High School, Hyde Park Academy High School, South side YMCA at 63rd Street and Stony Island.

Also. Any interested student is invited to register for the Eisenberg Foundation's REAL Bright Summit (free for students): <https://eisenbergfoundation.org/events/>