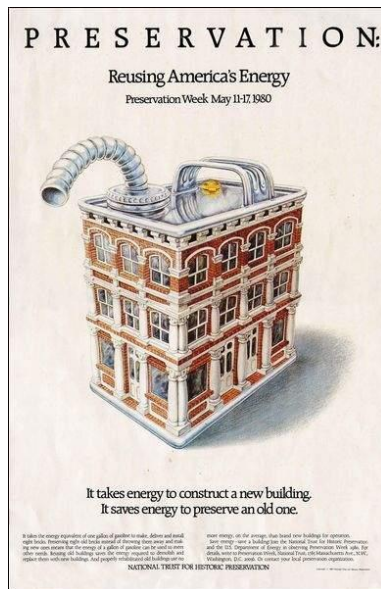


URBDP 585: **INTRODUCTION TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION**; Autumn; 3 Cr
Meeting times: Mon, Wed 5:30 – 6:50pm; Gould 440 (unless otherwise specified)

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This interdisciplinary course integrates historic preservation with a diverse set of disciplines and engages themes of livability, equity and sustainability. The class will explore the history and theory of historic preservation, changing nature of preservation practice, and current and future challenges the field faces. Historic Preservation in the United States has evolved dramatically over the last four decades from a rather narrow, generally Eurocentric enterprise focusing on high-style monumental architecture, to a more broad based approach to urban design, sustainability, livability and place-making. Today the field attempts integrating discipline as diverse as sociology, museology, geography, anthropology, ecology, landscape architecture and planning. From its patriotic and nostalgic roots the field has become more socially conscious and self-critical, signaling the dawn of a new era of theory and practice



The course is set up as a combination of lecture and seminar formats. Typically one of the classes during the week will be filled by a lecture, and the other class will be set aside as seminar during which everyone is expected to participate. Participation in the course will (1) make you familiar with literature pertaining to the history, theory and practice of historic preservation; (2) develop abilities to think critically and conduct research on historic preservation topics and (3) connect historic preservation with your field of study