

Studio Sergison  
Spring Semester 2019

A Plan for Zurich  
Semester 4  
Zurich West - Gewerbeschule, Escher-Wyss, Hardhof

Over the course of the semester we will continue to work in Zurich, the largest city in Switzerland. This is the fourth part of a six-semester research project that aims to produce an urban plan for Zurich as the cumulative result of six separate area studies. In this instance we will focus on Zurich West, the Gewerbeschule, Escher-Wyss, Hardhof neighbourhoods of Zurich.

Several years ago the Department of Urbanism and Architecture for the municipality of Zurich announced that the future development of the city would prioritise densification within the existing urban area and limit the expansion of building on agricultural land. This was approved in a public vote. The result of this strategy will ensure that a denser, more compact urban growth is promoted. For a city that is so well served by public transport, has a refined public realm and generally well planned urban growth in the past, this ambition seems a logical response to the need for the city to absorb a growing population and deal with the pressures this exerts on housing and other public services.

We will be operating in within this context. Concrete proposals should be developed for sites that will in future be considered for densification and development. Projects should offer tangible possibilities for various sites and will take the form of realistic proposals based on current buildings regulations.

A commission of experts has been assembled to support you in developing proposals, and your work will contribute to a wider discussion on the future of Zurich. The work will be undertaken in pairs.

The studio will visit Zurich on 22nd February and a study trip to Copenhagen is planned between 4th-5th April.

We will meet in Zurich (individual travelling) on Friday 22nd February at 14:00, at the Stadtmodellraum (Lindenhofstrasse 19, Amtshaus IV, 8001 Zürich) for the studio introduction.

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**Meeting**  
Individual travel and meeting  
on Friday the 22nd of February  
at 14:00  
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