

Preparation Course for Certified Urban Designer (CUD)

Course code: CM-007



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— Workshop Overview

Urban design plays a vital role in shaping sustainable, functional, and livable cities. The Certified Urban Designer (CUD) preparation course is designed to equip professionals with the knowledge and skills required to successfully pass the CUD certification exam while also strengthening practical urban design competencies. Participants will explore key principles of urban planning, spatial design, public realm development, mobility, sustainability, and regulatory frameworks. This course bridges theory and practice, helping professionals design better urban environments while advancing their careers in planning and design disciplines.

Why Attend

The course is delivered through a combination of structured theoretical sessions, exam-focused learning, and applied case studies. Participants will analyze real urban development projects, review planning frameworks, and practice exam-style questions. Interactive discussions, visual mapping exercises, and group critiques of urban

Who Should Attend

Urban Designers and Urban Planners
Architects and Landscape Architects
Civil Engineers involved in urban development
Municipality and government planning staff
Consultants in urban development and infrastructure
Professionals preparing for CUD certification

— Learning Objectives

- Understand core principles of urban design and planning theory
- Analyze urban form, structure, and spatial relationships
- Apply sustainable urban development principles
- Interpret zoning regulations and planning frameworks
- Design functional and livable public spaces
- Understand mobility, transportation, and accessibility planning
- Prepare effectively for the Certified Urban Designer (CUD) exam
- Evaluate real urban design case studies critically

Course Outline

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1

Foundations of Urban Design

- Introduction to urban design principles
- Evolution of cities and urban form
- Key theories in urban planning and design
- Elements of urban structure and morphology
- Introduction to sustainable urbanism

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2

Urban Form and Spatial Planning

- Land use planning and zoning concepts
- Density, scale, and urban typologies
- Street hierarchy and block structure
- Public vs private space relationships
- Urban design frameworks and guidelines

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3

Public Realm and Place-Making

- Designing streets, squares, and public spaces
- Human-centered urban design principles
- Landscape integration in urban environments
- Walkability and livability concepts
- Case studies of successful public realm projects

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4

Mobility, Infrastructure, and Sustainability

- Urban transportation and mobility planning
- Transit-oriented development (TOD)
- Infrastructure integration in urban design
- Climate-responsive and sustainable design strategies
- Smart city concepts and innovation

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5

Urban Design Practice and CUD Exam Preparation

- Urban design process and project workflow
- Reviewing real urban development case studies
- Problem-solving in urban design scenarios
- CUD exam structure and preparation strategies

- Practice questions and final review session

— Upcoming Classroom Dates

DATE	LOCATION	FEE
19 - 23 October 2026	Munich - Germany	€1,725
2 - 6 November 2026	London - United Kingdom	€2,100
21 - 25 December 2026	Amsterdam - Netherlands	€2,125
18 - 22 January 2027	Istanbul - Türkiye	€1,425
15 - 19 February 2027	Geneva - Switzerland	€2,625
15 - 19 March 2027	Munich - Germany	€2,125
19 - 23 April 2027	Barcelona - Spain	€1,925
17 - 21 May 2027	Rome - Italy	€2,125

— Certificate and Registration

Participants who attend and complete the full programme receive a SPARK Training Certificate of Completion. For registration, in-house delivery, or availability questions, contact info@sparktraining.eu or +31 85 115 0004.