

# ESTABLISHING A B.S. IN GEODESIGN TO FOSTER INTERDISCIPLINARY COLLABORATION

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# **Spatial Sciences Institute**

- Established 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2010
- Rapid growth
- People
  - 15 core faculty
  - 21 faculty affiliates
  - 7 staff
- Facilities
  - Faculty & staff offices
  - Dedicated classrooms & laboratories
  - Large computing infrastructure
- Substantial research enterprise
- Full suite of academic programs

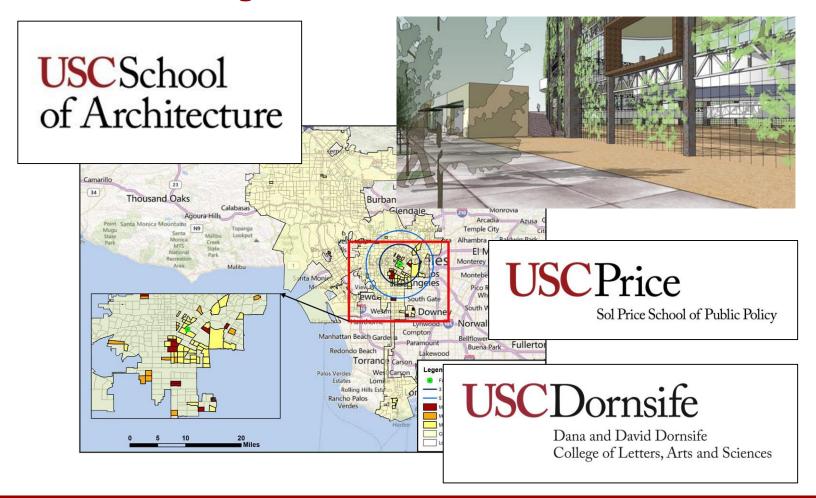








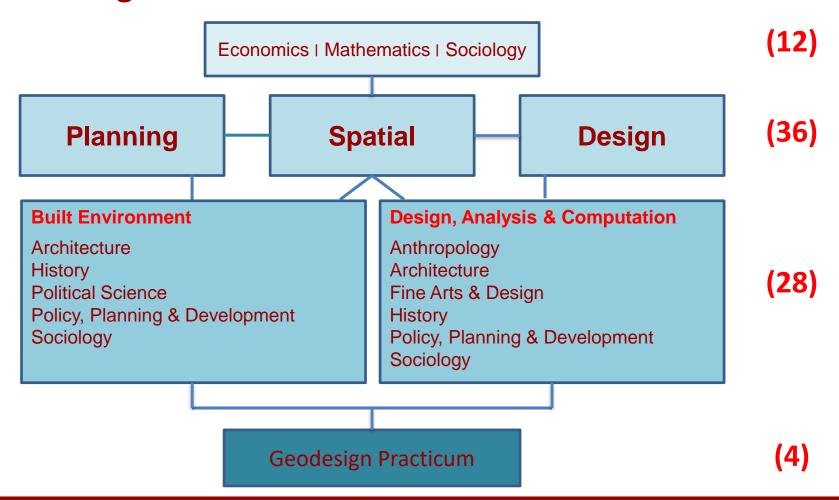
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# **Geodesign Curriculum**







# **Geodesign Core**

### **Planning**

PPD 227 – Urban Planning and Development

PPD 417 – History of Planning and Development

PPD 425 – Designing Livable Communities

### **Spatial**

SSCI 301 – Maps and Spatial Reasoning

SSCI 382 – Principles of Geographic Information Science

SSCI 483 – Spatial Science Practicum

### **Design**

ARCH 203 - Visualizing and Experiencing the Built Environment

ARCH 303 - Principles of Spatial Design I

ARCH 303 – Principles of Spatial Design II

### **Capstone**

ARCH-PPD-SSCI 412 - Geodesign Practicum







PPD 227: URBAN PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

PPD 417: HISTORY OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT



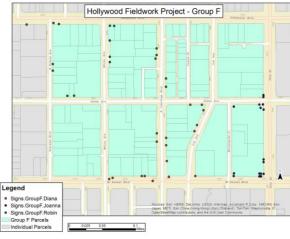


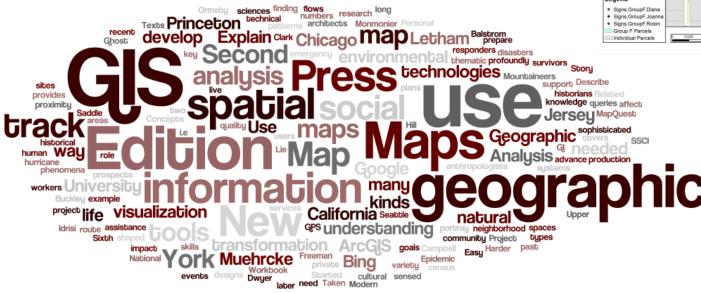


SSCI 301: MAPS AND SPATIAL REASONING





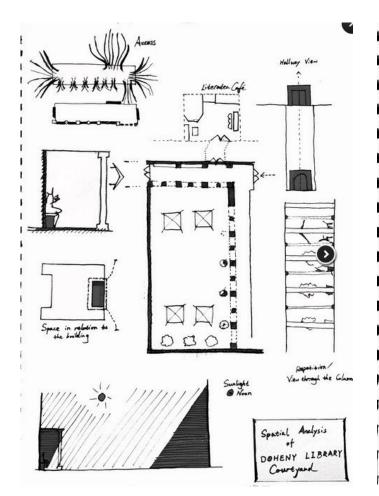


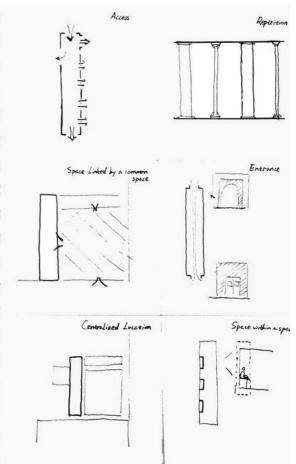












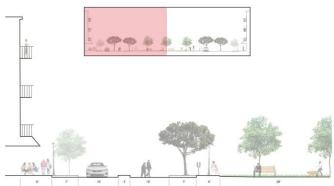
ARCH 303: PRINCIPLES OF SPATIAL DESIGN I

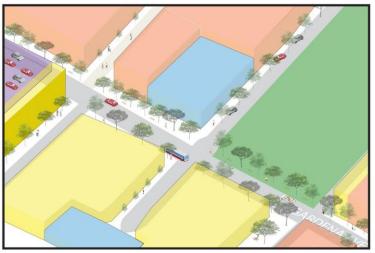


Ziyu Ouyang / Understanding Place through Experience and Analysis / 2015













### **SSCI 412: GEODESIGN PRACTICUM**



Developing plan and project ideas for recovery of endangered Palos Verdes blue butterfly for an external client, the Disney Conservation Fund

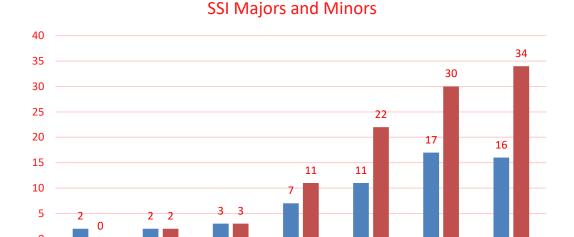








## **Student Response**



Fa 14

■ SSCI ■ GEOD

Sp 15

- First major for 9 students
- 25 students changed majors
  - ANTH, ARCH, ASTE, BISC, CHEM, ENGL, ENGR, HBIO, MUSC, PHYS, PLUS, SOCI

Sp 13

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Sp 14

Scholarships & Honors

Fa 15

 2 Trustee, 3 Presidential, & 2 Dean's Scholars

Sp 16

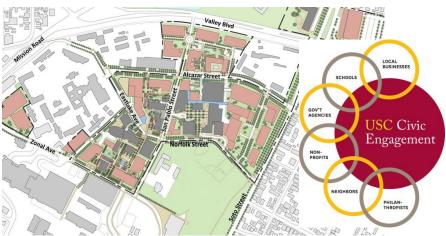
 14 students made Dean's List in Fall 2015



# **Enduring Challenges**

- Planning and coordination
  - Class scheduling
  - Faculty coordination
  - Team teaching
  - Progressive degrees
- Facilities
  - New collaborative classroom
  - Large and diverse computing infrastructure
- Geodesign as a collaborative, socio-political process
  - Teach across several disciplines
     & spatiotemporal scales
  - Teach & support new workflows
  - Promote community engagement





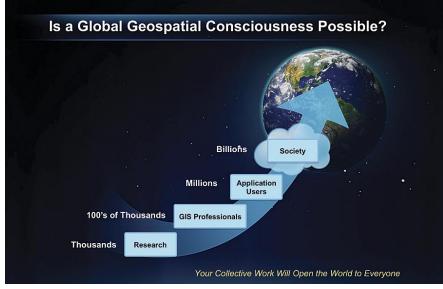




# Geodesign ...

- Has the capacity to shift GIS to a whole new approach, one oriented toward collaboration, creation, imagination, experimentation, and with a view towards applying knowledge in a forward looking manner
- The GIS, itself, would then fade into background ...









# Close | Questions



SSCI 350: International Geodesign

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