



# School of Planning and Architecture: Vijayawada

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## Department of Architecture

Course: Solar Passive Design (Concepts, Strategies & Services)  
Instructors: Prof. Dr. S. Ramesh  
Contact Periods/week: 3 hours  
Internal Assessment Marks: 100

Attendance: 75%

Class: M. Arch (I Year)  
Time table:

Code 10210204  
Total Marks: 100  
Minimum Passing Marks: 50%

### **Course Objective:**

### **OBJECTIVE:**

The main objective is to meet the challenges of sustainable development by offering this specialized course of solar passive design emphasizing the strategies, concepts and services. The aim is to develop skills, knowledge and understanding related to environmental sustainability, construction and building technology, adopting the principles and practices of sustainable building design, while responding to environmental challenges such as Climate change, environmental degradation etc. The course offers a contextualized and deep understanding of sustainability in architecture. Study moves from the broad aspects Passive & active solar strategies for energy conservation will be explored along the way.

### **TEACHING PLAN**

Sl. No.	Date	Topic of Class/Lecture & Discussion	Nature of Class
1	Week 1	Introduction of passive solar architecture, appreciation of Built form for different climates, building clusters and solar exposure, thermal environment.	LECTURE
2	Week 2	Types of passive systems, direct gain, thermal storage wall, attached green house, thermal storage roof and convective loop.	LECTURE
3	Week 3	Classification of passive cooling systems according to the major natural source from which the cooling energy is derived.	LECTURE
4	Week 4	Minimizing cooling needs by building design: building shape & layout, orientation, size of windows, shading of window, color of the envelope and climatic impact of plants around building.	LECTURE
5	Week 5	Radiative cooling –The earth as a cooling source for buildings.	LECTURE
6	Week 6	Discussion on Assignment - 1	( Announcement of Assessment-I )
7	Week 7	To study the solar passive and active concepts of the buildings and documenting the same during field work.	LECTURE
	Week 8	Submission or presentation	Display of Marks -

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			Assessment – I
8	Week 9	Critical analysis of the concepts identified during the field visit meant for Architectural Design for discussion.	LECTURE
9	Week 10	<b>Discussion on Assignment - 2</b>	( Announcement of Assessment-II )
10	Week 11	Cooling of attached outdoor spaces.	LECTURE
11	Week 12	Passive solar configuration – outline of various passive systems for heat gain. Indirect Gain – Trombe wall, Water wall and Transwall.	LECTURE
12	Week 13	Sun space / attached solarium / conservatory. Roof Pond / Skytherm – Vary Thermal Wall	LECTURE
13	Week 14	Earth sheltered / earth bermed structures and earth-air tunnels	Display of Assessment – II Internal Marks
14	Week 15	The use of earth-air tunnels to heat or cool the buildings	LECTURE
15	Week 16	Modern and post modern passive architecture, methods, strategies, systems, and construction details emphasizing the passive architecture	LECTURE
16	Week 17	Modern and post modern passive architecture, methods, strategies, systems , and construction details emphasizing the non-passive architecture	LECTURE
17	Week 18	TEST / PROJECT WORK	-----

**Break-up of Internal Assessment Marks**

S. No.	Stages of Evaluation	Weightage	Note
1	Assignment – I / Seminar	30 Marks	Total internal marks 100 Attending all the tests / assignments / seminars is mandatory
2	Assignment – II / Tutorial	30 Marks	
3	TEST / PROJECT WORK	40 Marks	

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