

Reflections on... Reflections on Architectural Education

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This curated discussion group session in part describes the Reflections on Architectural Education module established at Sheffield University School of Architecture 10 years ago by Rosie Parnell and Jeremy Till as an option for postgraduate students on RIBA part 2 and taught masters programmes. The session will primarily demonstrate the content of the module through shared 'innovations' devised and here presented by students within the unit which have sought, with often surprising successes and outcomes, to develop new teaching and learning practices. The module can be viewed as a live project in itself in that students learn by doing (an understanding of the term 'live' in relation to pedagogy, operating specifically at this point in architectural education where the students can reflect to inform new models for learning). Prior knowledge is valued and the course format seeks to erode the distinction between student and teacher as the theoretical basis for 'the teaching'.