ARCH 498 - ARCH 598 The Architecture of Richardson, Sullivan & Wright

Winter Quarter 2021 T-Th, 4:00-5:20 p.m. Online via Zoom Department of Architecture, University of Washington Jeffrey Karl Ochsner, Professor



ARCH 498-598 is a survey of the careers, works, and influence of the American architects Henry Hobson Richardson (1838-1886), Louis Sullivan (1856-1924), and Frank Lloyd Wright (1867-1959). Arch 498-598 offers a broad overview of these architects whose careers together lasted nearly a century and whose influence may still be felt today. The class will allow students to become more familiar with their works, ideas and influence.

One objective of the course is to provide a deeper acquaintance with the buildings and writings of these three architects. Another objective is to place their work and thought within the general context of their times, as well as within the developing American context of modernism. The course may also provide opportunities to pursue research interests and writing skills, and might even offer a window for considering career possibilities in architectural history or related fields.

Arch 498-598 Richardson-Sullivan-Wright is not an introductory level course. Students coming to Arch 498-598 must have a familiarity with the architecture of the period from 1850 to 1965 similar to that offered in Arch 352.

The class consists primarily of lectures illustrated with slides. Requirements include a take-home midterm exam, a take-home final exam, and a term paper.

Winter Quarter 2021 is the first time this class will be offered.

Note: There is no required text for the course. The Course Guide with daily building/site lists will be available on Canvas. The book *Three American Architects: Richardson, Sullivan and Wright* (1991) by James F. O'Gorman may be useful, but is not required (and does not include Wright's career after 1920); this book is available online. A series of readings will be made available on Canvas. Some of the buildings that will be covered have not been the subject of detailed published analyses, so attendance (synchronous or asynchronous) will be critical to success in this class. Images and Zoom recordings from all lectures will be available on-line.

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