



Digital Civics @ APL

Call for project proposals

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In autumn 2016, a new innovative course at the School for Architecture, Planning and Landscape teaches architecture and planning students user-centred approaches to design 'civic technologies'.

We are now looking for proposals for suitable student projects from partners in community groups, businesses, local authorities.

Discuss your project with us by emailing sebastian.weise@newcastle.ac.uk.

Propose your project by early September 2016.



Who can propose projects?

Projects can be proposed by community groups, businesses, local authorities, or individuals with a civic concern.

What projects are suitable?

Ideally your project calls for a creative approach and would benefit from visual expression and prototyping.

Are there any project examples?

Previous projects have resulted in e.g. community dashboards, engagement toolkits, mapping tools. Inspiration can be found here: https://scenarios.organicity.eu

What can you expect?

A team of 2nd year undergraduate students in urban planning and architecture will be assigned to your projects. We guide them to design methodologies. Based on your requirements, they create a creative proposition, e.g., for a service, app.

What duration do projects have?

Projects run for 12 weeks from Oct '16 to Jan '17.

What do I have to commit?

Projects require a time commitment of a couple of hours. This includes: a meeting to discuss your project requirements, check in at the half point, and evaluation of the project outcomes.

What do I gain?

You will gain access to the visual designs or service concepts developed. This may include, e.g., paper prototypes, creative display boards, lists with user requirements, and service designs.

Who owns the outcomes?

You are free to re-use the project outcomes for your own needs.

How can I indicate interest?

Contact us informally by email or phone.

Who is leading this program?

Dr. Sebastian Weise will lead this course. He is an academic and entrepreneur with experience in designing interventions to support, for instance, public consultations and engagement campaigns.

Contact us_

To discuss your project informally, set up a meeting, and for all general enquiries, please contact Dr. Sebastian Weise:



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About Sebastian

Sebastian is an educator and entrepreneur. At Newcastle University, Sebastian is lecturer for digital civics at the School for Architecture, Planning, and Landscape. As a founder at PlaceChangers Ltd, he helps run public engagement campaigns using bespoke digital interventions.