

Place, Memory, and Environmental Psychology

How much of who we are is shaped by the places we live and experience? This course invites reflection on the psychological and emotional relationships between people and their environments. Drawing on psychology, geography, architecture, and design, we will explore environmental psychology and how physical environments shape behavior, cognition, identity, and memory. Using place-based methods, we will discuss concepts such as place attachment, identity, and cognitive maps. We will reflect on memory, home, trauma, displacement, and nature's role in well-being.



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TUESDAYS, APRIL 7 THROUGH MAY 12

10am PT | 11am MT | Noon CT | 1pm ET

Each live session is 90 minutes

- Tuesday, April 7
- Tuesday, April 14
- Tuesday, April 21
- Tuesday, April 28
- Tuesday, May 5
- Tuesday, May 12

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