INT 434 Hands-On Furniture Design
(Elective course for 3rd&4th grade Architecture and Interior Design students)

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Tuesday 13:30-17:30

The course provides an opportunity to combine theory and practice in furniture design. The student gets a chance to see his/her design realized in a short amount of time and to get familiar with materials and processes. While the physical outcome can make a good portfolio piece, it is also going to be utilized. And guess what? Hopefully right in our own studios!

The semester is roughly divided in three phases, namely surveying, design development and production. Students will go through preliminary sketches, design brief writing, drafting, scale models, 1/1 mock-ups, 3D modeling, 2D presentation, material research, shop-drawings, video documentation and finally full scale furniture production.

Students who will attend the course should be aware that there is going to be certain production expenses. But no worries, we will remain within a student project's budget. To allow this we will work in groups, which is also more fun.

While the students are welcome to build the furniture themselves, self-production is not a must. The term “hands-on” in the course title refers to the students’ involvement in the workshop environment. They will supervise the production.

Wood production has been favored throughout the years due to availability and budget issues. But of course there are no limitations as far as materials.