

## Course details

### Course title

Architecture: Architecture in the USA

### Course code

Q00018048

### Course date

Start: 13/03/25

End: 13/03/25

### Number of classes

1 sessions

### Timetable

Thu 13th Mar, 10:00 to 16:00

### Tutor

Keith Hasted

### Fee range

Free to £25.20

### How you'll learn

You'll join a small group of fellow learners for classes at the venue indicated. Some materials may be provided in our virtual learning environment.

Got it!

In venue

### Venue

Reading International Solidarity Centre

35-39 London Street  
Reading  
RG1 4PS

## **Level of study**

Beginners

## **Course overview**

Taking some important examples to give a flavour of the sheer energy of US architecture, we will see how Thomas Jefferson brought Palladio's ideas to the architecture of US government, Chicago propelled high rise building in the 1890s, Frank Lloyd Wright re-invented himself in a long career, and contemporary architects like Frank Gehry are continuing to exert international influence.

## **Course description**

We will examine the extraordinarily varied historical development of the architecture of the United States, including the important ways in which it was influenced by European styles. Thomas Jefferson brought Palladio's style to the architecture of US government. Chicago was the world's proving ground for high-rise building techniques as well as being the cradle of Frank Lloyd Wright's Prairie Style. Mies van der Rohe demonstrated how "less is more" and Philip Johnson and others tried out Post-Modernism - before Frank Gehry exploited computer aided design to make fantastic shapes buildable.

## **What financial support is available?**

We don't want anything to stand in your way when it comes to bringing Adult learning within reach so if you need anything to support you to achieve your goals then speak to one of our education experts during your enrolment journey. Most of our courses are government funded but if you don't qualify or need alternative financial help to access them then let us know.

## **What other support is available?**

All of our digital content, teaching and learning activities and assessments are designed to be accessible so if you need any additional support you can discuss this with the education experts during your enrolment journey and we will do all we can to make sure you have optimal access.

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