

SUSTAINABLE CITIES?

EXPLORING YOUR CITY THROUGH THE LENS OF THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS.

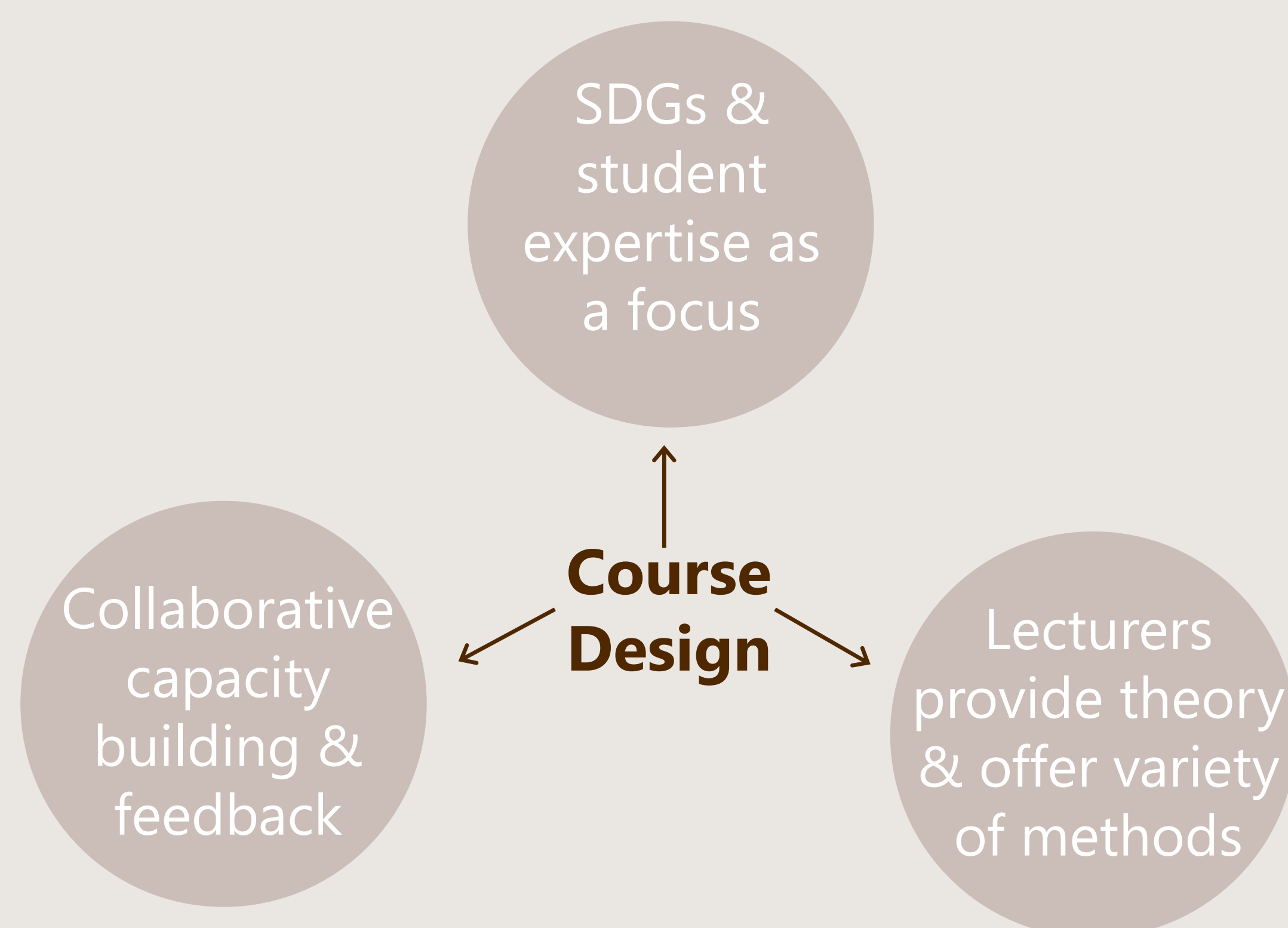
MAPPING - ANALYSIS – ACTION

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SET UP

- Hybrid Block Course in February 2024
- 20 participating students from Switzerland, France and Germany
- Bachelor & Master students from different disciplines
- Daily sessions from 9am to 5pm
- Joint virtual space & decentral on-site learning rooms
- Key deliverable: SDG Walks - city explorations with a focus on sustainability
- Goal: To create an open, intercultural & student oriented learning space

KEY PILLARS OF THE COURSE DESIGN



DIDACTIC APPROACH

Inspired by Integrated Problem-Solving Competencies Approach by Wiek et al. (2011). Some examples of how different competencies were required throughout the course:

- **Interpersonal Competency:** Reflecting on different interests at play & anticipating conflicts of interest
- **Intercultural Competency:** Discussing adequate solutions for different social, cultural, economic & political contexts
- **Systems Thinking Competency:** Exploring the interconnectedness of different SDGs
- **Strategic Thinking Competency:** Considering relevant decision making bodies & legal frameworks
- **Implementation Competency:** From sustainability in theory to sustainable action
- **Values Thinking Competency:** Importance of justice, equality, diversity & inclusion

RESULTS

Innovation of the Course through Student Ownership
Establishment of the *Tri-National Council* which fostered regular intercultural exchange by regularly facilitating exchange in diverse group settings, always including at least one student from each participating university.

Final Products:

- ✓ 2 SDG walks for Strasbourg
- ✓ 3 SDG walks for Basel
- ✓ 2 SDG walks for Freiburg
- ✓ Websites featuring the SDG Walks, a Tour Creation Toolbox, a SDG Walk Role-Play, & app-based interactive SDG Walks (Actionbound App)

TIMELINE & UPCOMING FORMATS

- **February 2024:** Kick off SDG Seminar
- **Mach 2024:** Presentation at opening of Sustainability Week in Basel
- **March-May 2024:** Presentation of the SDG in Basel & Freiburg



- **June 2024:** SDG Seminar x Real world laboratories in Karlsruhe



- **March-July 2024:** Second phase: SDG Capacity Building Workshop by Students for Students
- **September 2024:** EPiCEdu Talk & OER publication
- **November 2024:** Implementation of the Capacity Building Workshop designed by students at UHA Mulhouse.
- **March 2025:** Publication of the Course Material as an Open Educational Resource.

