

Architectural Studies Seminar 6

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Understanding Shanghai, a city not to be ignored

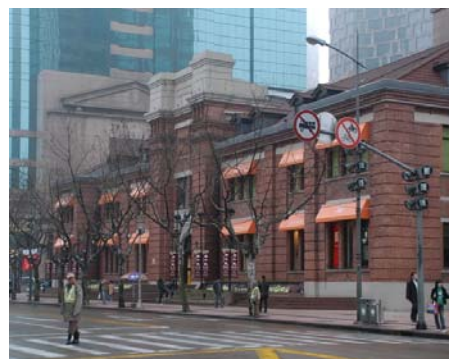
Shanghai has been a great city since the turn of the 20th Century. At that time, Hong Kong was just a little noticed colonial base for the British as their gateway to the Far East. In recent years, many Hong Kong people have visited or even resided in Shanghai for a number of reasons. However, Shanghai is still an unfamiliar place for the majority of Hong Kong people.

This seminar aims at giving an overall introduction of the city so that we have a good understanding of the various aspects of real Shanghai. The following topics highlight the development of Shanghai over a century. We will look at its past, present and future.

1. The original and transitional faces of Shanghai since 1900s.
2. Various forms of architecture within the old city districts that have witnessed the achievement of Shanghai.
3. Revitalizing Shanghai and catching up with the modern and international world.
4. Shanghai's new development opportunity, the 2010 World Expo.



Shanghai under transition



Shanghai being revitalized



The Bund, giving way or getting prepared for the 2010 World Expo?



View of the main Expo pavilions from Puxi



The dragon head of the Expo facilities, the China Pavilion and the Expo Performance Centre



Other pavilions under construction



Pavilion on the West Bank of Huangpu River (Puxi)



Other support facilities – the passenger pier and landscaping areas



Other support facilities – the Expo village