

## Stalking Beauty

“Beauty will save the world!” – Dostoyevsky

In this time of constant consumption and digital media, we have lost our appreciation of *beauty* in our daily environments. We live in constant distraction, where the in-between moments are lost in visual noise, a sea of icons and adrift information. This course seeks to contemplate the ideas of “beauty” in our everyday lives and the reasons why humans need it. We will challenge you to go out into the city and critically think about examples of “ugly” vs. “beautiful.” You will travel through the campus and the city, documenting your findings in a Journal that will become the physical record of your semester findings, solutions, and ways of critically analyzing problems. What exactly constitutes the city you live in, and how does it affect YOU? What can YOU do to change it and how can YOU become the generator of beautiful ideas and actions? In this course, we hope to activate the anarchy necessary to initiate change through weekly lectures, presentations and discussions based on the findings YOU bring in.