



**REFERRED/DEFERRED ASSESSMENT - SESSION 2010/11
SUMMER 2011**

COURSE CODE	BUIL 1052
COURSE TITLE	Critical Thinking
COURSE COORDINATOR	Keith Jones

To Students

If you have failed a course or part of a course and have been allowed by the Progression and Award Board to be reassessed in one or several of the courses, this will be indicated in your result letter. On the back of the result letter, the words '*Failed -retake permitted before the next academic year*' will appear next to the relevant assessment items or course(s).

In that case, you are required to submit coursework and/or to take an examination again as appropriate in August 2011.

Deadline for submitting coursework

Coursework must be delivered by hand no later than **Monday 15th August 2011** to the School of Architecture & Construction.

If you send your coursework by post, it must be sent by first class recorded delivery (keep a copy of both the postal receipt and the coursework) **no later than Monday 15th August 2011** to:

Referred/Deferred Coursework
School of Architecture & Construction
Mansion Site
Bexley Road
London SE9 2PQ
UK

Coursework submission

All coursework must be submitted by the deadline and method as above and must be accompanied by the appropriate electronic header sheet.

Postal Submissions

All postal submissions, Coursework and Portfolios, will be receipted with the date of postage as the date of submission.

It is the responsibility of the student to ensure that the work is submitted on time by the above method.

Queries

Any queries should be emailed to

acqueries@gre.ac.uk

with

- Your full name
- Your student ID number
- Your Programme of Study e.g. BA Architecture
- The title and code of the course(s) with which you have a query
- The nature of the query

<p>Please note that this email address will only be monitored until Friday 23rd September 2011, after this date enquiries should be sent direct to the Course Coordinator.</p>
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Staff email addresses and contact numbers can be looked up here:

http://www.gre.ac.uk/staff_intranet/directory

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Please find below details of the coursework to be submitted and/or examination advice as appropriate.

Assessment item	17481
Electronic header sheet number	184443
Details of work to be undertaken:	
Write a critical essay of no longer than 2,000 word on the following topic:	
<i>'Critically discuss the merits of the coalition government's public spending cuts in areas of social provision such as affordable housing.'</i>	
Method	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Read the feedback on the originally submitted essay and try to respond to the general criticisms made there in this re-submission. 2. For this exercise select areas where public spending cuts have been made or are planned and where the market and the private sector is expected to play more of a role. You should consider the government's perspective (they have a priority to cut public spending) and the perspective of stakeholders affected by the changes (they wish to defend jobs and public services) before finally providing your own perspective based on some 'critically thinking' on whether the coalition government is or is not heading in the right direction. 3. You are free to extend examples beyond affordable housing in this exercise if you wish to. 4. You should already have obtained some relevant sources arising out of the classroom sessions for this course and they may be used or supplemented by some more independent research. 	

Availability of course tutor for consultation:

John O'Leary may be contacted by e-mail op01@gre.ac.uk before August 1st.