A. COURSE DESCRIPTION
This seminar considers architecture’s manifold relationships with modern and contemporary geopolitical transformations, developing regimes of circulation of people, goods, and information, planetary challenges, and other shifting realities broadly considered under the paradigm of globalization. We will seek to develop new understandings of architecture’s diverse links to the locations in which they are built and the territories they, in turn, help shape—a relationship that has many times been simplified within disciplinary discourses and that lends itself as an area requiring expanded inquiry in light of the aforementioned transformations. We will consider this relationship as culturally defined, materially articulated, economically shaped, politically constructed, and conditioned environmentally.