

# DSGN 395

## DESIGN OBJECTS / Furniture Design

Do you like making things? Bringing ideas to life? Working with your hands, using real materials, creating something beautiful and cool? If yes, this is the class for you.

A hands-on experience in the world of furniture creation. In this class, each student will design and make their own piece of furniture. A successful outcome from this class is a piece of furniture that works well, looks good, and encapsulates your design approach and thought process.

This course covers essential elements of furniture design, including ergonomics and design principles, materials and techniques. Explore the history of furniture design. Learn about sustainability and ethical considerations, and the importance of responsible materials selection and sourcing.

Creative and broad thinking encouraged. Craft your own design brief. Choose materials and finishes.

The final and prototype pieces from this class will be showcased in an exhibition.

- 10 Students. This course is open to all students at NU.
- Furniture-making experience not required.
- Workshop and 'making' skills are required.
- Successful completion will require time outside class in the workshop or maker-spaces.
- Materials budget provided to each student.
- 1 Class per week. Wednesday 2PM-5PM [3 hours].
- Office hours on request.
- Students may apply to this course by providing a statement of interest + evidence of skills to the instructor.
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