

Studio Professor

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Travel: Steger Center for International  
Scholarship, Riva San Vitale  
Times: See schedule



Casa del Fascio  
Giuseppe Terragni (Google images)

## Field trip to Como

**Where:** Como, Italy

**When:** Friday, September 7, 2018

**Schedule:** **Riva to Como**

Dep. 08:17 Capolago/Riva San Vitale at Train Station, Platform 2

Arr. 08:24 Mendrisio, change trains

Dep. 08:32 Mendrisio, Platform TBD

Arr. 08:47 Como S. Giovanni main train station

**Como to Riva. Groups meet at Station entrance at 17:00 LATEST as platform number may change!**

Dep. 17:11 Como S. Giovanni, Platform 1

Arr. 17:17 Chiasso, change trains, Platform 1

Dep. 17:27 Chiasso

Arr. 17:39 Capolago/Riva San Vitale

Dinner. 6:30pm at CESA

Please inform Michele that you will all need a lunch bag for this trip

### Sites of interest:

Como is famous for its location at the southern tip of Lake Como -as a tourist destination, a 16<sup>th</sup> century silk spinning industry and a laboratory for modern architecture. The later will be our focus of today's site visit as the city has the privilege to hold some of the most important Rationalist works by Italian architect **Giuseppe Terragni**. Please note that all sites will be visited by foot and may only be studied from the outside.

1. Walk from train station and visit of visit of Asilo Sant'Elia (Kindergarten), corner Viale Andrea Alciato and Viale dei Mille
2. Walk to the Pinacoteca Civica and visit –museum art gallery hold works by the Italian and Como born futurist painter **Antonio Sant'Elia**
3. Casa del Fascio –regarded as the most famous work of Terragni
4. Visit of Novocomum by Terragni, corner Viale Fratelli Rosselli and largo Stefano Borgonovo

5. Visit the “rationalist neighborhood” on Viale Giuseppe Sinigaglia –
6. Visit of Casa Giuliani Frigerio, Via Campo Garibaldi. Eisenman has published a superb book on this building
7. Rest of afternoon free to discover Como’s Roman city grid (Cardo and Decumanus)  
Noteworthy are:  
Historic city center and roman city  
Silk museum, Via Castelnuovo  
Textile museum, Via Cernobbio  
Shopping...

### Research:

Participants will be prepared to speak on the basic principles underlying each of these projects during our visits. Please conduct a brief research **prior** to our site visit. Please include your research in your respective sketchbooks so that it is duly recorded. Make i.e., drawings, conceptual sketches, proportional systems of plans and elevations (the later being extremely important in Terragni’s work) and annotations of what you discover is relevant.

### Suggested web pages:

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Como>

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Giuseppe\\_Terragni](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Giuseppe_Terragni)

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Antonio\\_Sant%27Elia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Antonio_Sant%27Elia)

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rationalism\\_\(architecture\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rationalism_(architecture))

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cardo> and [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Decumanus\\_Maximus](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Decumanus_Maximus)

Como’s Cardo is now Via Cesare Cantu, and the Decumanus Via Indipendenza.

### Map of site visits

1. Asilo Sant’Elia (Kindergarten)
2. Pinacoteca Civica
3. Casa del Fascio
4. Novocomum
5. Casa Giuliani Frigerio
6. Como S. Giovanni train station

