A STUDENTS LIFE

Seclusion and social interacting in the scenery of Seiersborg Tekstilfabrikk

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Seiersborg Tekstilfabrikk is situated in Fredrikstad city center and is conveying the history of one of Fredristads most important industries, the TEKO-industry. For several years it has adorned the city as a landmark, but my interest is that Seiersborg should be accessible again and belong to the future while at the same time confront its fundamental and important past.

My diploma addresses the meeting point between an existing structure and a possible new program. Can the existing structure withstand the pressure of a given, new program and will the new program benefit from the flexibility that is provided by the existing structure?

I aim to offer students in different stages of life good living conditions with the possibility to socialize, but also seclude. By creating several zones and work with different terms of privacy there will be room for all types of personalities and needs. Furthermore I aim to create a meeting point for other students living in Fredrikstad by introducing public activities, such as health centre and/or café/bar.

Hopefully, with small adjustments, I can prove that there is a lot of inherent potential in an old industrial building and that Seiersborg Tekstilfabrikk can get a completely new area of use and can live

further for many new years through an environmental perspective.