

Urban Studies Programs



UNDERGRADUATE INFORMATION

Urban Studies Programs
FALL 2009

Course Descriptions

You must refer to the Schedule of Classes website for more accurate information on the Schedule of Classes for times and locations, cancellations, etc.

The web address is: www.uwm.edu/schedule

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES

URB STD 150

Multicultural America

LEC 001

Jamie Harris

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4:30-7:10 PM

An interdisciplinary course that will explore racial, ethnic, class, and gender identity, relations and experiences as they relate to cities and urban and suburban development. This course will address how economic development, housing patterns, federal policy, urban politics, and community relations have all served in different ways and at different times, to structure inequality and the marginalization and privilege of certain groups and communities. We will also consider the ways different groups have used urban space to construct community identities and foster movements for social change.

A significant part of the course will examine the role of immigration and ethnic enclaves and economies in transforming urban spaces in the 20th and 21st century. We'll also look closely at housing and urban development, and how race and ethnicity have shaped patterns of segregation and economic division across the American urban landscape, as well as how gender and sexual difference have been defined and represented in urban space. The City of Milwaukee provides an excellent setting to explore the cross-cultural mosaic of urban life.

To that end, students in the course will participate in a service learning placement coordinated by the UWM Institute for Service Learning. Participation in a community setting will allow students to examine how organizations and community groups work in different ways to define and remake the urban environment.

This course is affiliated with both the Urban Studies Programs and the Cultures and Communities Program Urban Studies 150 counts as a Social Science and Cultural Diversity course that fulfills part of the General Education Requirements (GER).

URB STD 250 Exploring the Urban Environment

LEC 001	TR 2:00-3:15 PM
LEC 002	MW 12:30-1:45 PM
LEC 203	ONLINE COURSE*

*A special online course fee of \$275.00, in addition to regular tuition, will be charged for this section. Conducted completely online; computer/internet access req'd

Today's urban form is the result of a long progression of demographic, economic and political process. This multidisciplinary course will provide a broad overview of some of these changes in American cities with a particular focus on Milwaukee. The course will be divided into two parts. In the first half of the course, we will examine some of the basic "urban" theories. These will include elements of race, class, crime, geography, economics, etc. With this background in basic urban theories, we will move into the second half of the course which will look specifically at the Milwaukee experience. In this last half, we will explore the intersection of historical development and the earlier social theories, which will provide a more relevant and local perspective.

URB STD 289 Internship in Urban Studies, Lower Division

Application of basic principles of Urban Studies in a business, organizational, educational, political, or other appropriate setting

URB STD 297: Study Abroad

URB STD 360 Perspectives on the Urban Scene

LEC 001	Topic TBA	MW 2:00-3:15pm
LEC 201	Topic TBA	ONLINE COURSE*

*A special online course fee of \$275.00, in addition to regular tuition, will be charged for this section. Conducted completely online; computer/internet access req'd.

URB STD 489 Internship in Urban Studies, Upper Division

**URB STD 499 The Crisis of the American City-
Viewed Through HBO's *The Wire* (U/G)**

LEC 001 Marc Levine W 4:30-7:10 PM

HBO's *The Wire* is acclaimed by many critics as the finest series in the history of U.S. television. Set in the mean streets of Baltimore, *The Wire* combines memorable characters, riveting and often heartbreaking drama, and wry humor. *The Wire* may also be the most penetrating study-in books or on film-of the crisis of the contemporary American city. This course will examine the urban crisis through the lens of *The Wire*, exploring such issues as urban poverty, drugs, and inner city neighborhoods, shrinking economic opportunity, the follies of political leaders, and the failures of urban institutions such as the schools, police, and media. The course will include viewings and discussion of *The Wire*, selected readings on the urban crisis, and occasional guest lectures from experts in the areas of urban life highlighted by *The Wire*.

Jointly offered w/988

URB STD 699 Independent Reading

UNDERGRADUATE MAJOR URBAN STUDIES

Committee Interdisciplinary Major (CIM) In Urban Studies (L&S/BA)

To declare a major in Urban Studies, make an appointment with the Urban Studies, Associate Director to:

Complete declaration form and give them a written statement

Major Requirements

- 1) Coursework from at least two L&S departments, no more than 9 credits in one department outside Urban Studies
- 2) Minimum of 30 credits; 15 credits must be 300 or above; 18 credits must be in L&S

A student wishing to major in Urban Studies must complete 30 credits in approved Urban Studies or urban-related courses that include:

Course Requirements:

Introductory Survey of Urban Studies
(lower and upper levels): 6 Credits

Urban Studies 150 Multicultural America
AND
Urban Studies 250 Exploring the Urban Environment OR
Urban Studies 360 Perspectives and the Urban Scene (any topic)

Theory Course: 3 Credits

Urban Studies 377 Urbanism and Urbanization or approved equivalent course

Methods Course: 3 Credits

Sociology 361 or comparable course (note this course satisfies the research requirement)

Statistics Course: 3 Credits

Sociology 261, Geography 247, Political Science 390, History 595, or an approved equivalent course

total of 15 credits of the above

Plus

15 credits of course electives from Urban Studies, Sociology, Political Science, History, Geography, and Urban Planning (see list of approved courses).

Interested? Need more Information?

Contact: Urban Studies Programs, 768 Bolton Hall
Jamie Harris, Associate Director
414-229-4629 or jmh@uwm.edu
http://www.uwm.edu/Dept/Urban_Studies/

URBAN STUDIES: MAJOR COURSE ELECTIVES

An additional 5 course electives (15 credits) to reach the 30 credit minimum in the major can come from the following:

All Urban Studies Courses:

- 297: Study Abroad
- 360: a second course with a different topic
- 489: Internship in Urban Studies
- 499: Ad Hoc: The Crisis of the American City- Viewed Through HBO's *The Wire*
- 601: Fundamental of Urban Planning
- 607: Aging and Public Policy
- 625: Law and Urban Poverty
- 639: Health Care and Public Policy

Geography:

- 140: Our Urban Environment: Introduction to Urban Geography
- 440: City Systems and Metropolitan Development
- 441: Geography of Cities and Metropolitan Areas
- 443: Geography of Cities of the World: Comparative Urban Geography
- 520: Physical Geography of the City
- 540: Globalization and the City
- 564: Urban Environmental Change and Social Justice

History:

- 436: Immigrant American Since 1880
- 440: History of the American Working Class
- 450: Growth of Metropolitan Milwaukee
- 460: History of Poverty
- 463: History of American City

Political Science:

- 213: Urban Government and Politics
- 413: Governing Metropolitan Areas
- 450: Urban Political Problems

Sociology:

- 224: American Minority Groups
- 307: Industrial Sociology
- 323: Perspectives on Latino Communities
- 324: Comparative Race Relations
- 325: Social Change
- 330: Economy and Society
- 472: Population and Society
- 604: Research in the Urban Minority Communities

All Urban Planning Courses

URBAN STUDIES: UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATE

Interested in getting a certificate in Urban Studies?

Contact Jamie Harris at 229-4629 (jmh@uwm.edu) to discuss the certificate program or declare a certificate.

Or go online: http://www.uwm.edu/Dept/Urban_Studies/

The Urban Studies Undergraduate Certificate program provides, the student with courses that focus on urban issues, development, and policy solutions through multi-discipline perspectives, drawing on the humanities, social sciences, and professional programs like urban planning.

18 Credits (12 In Letter & Science; 6 SS, 6 HU, 9 Credits 300 & Above)
Urban Studies 250 or 360 Required
All Urban Planning Courses Count Toward Certificate (6 Credit Max.)

Take Urban Studies-related courses in:

Anthropology, Africology, Art History, Biological Sciences, Criminal Justice, Comp Lit, Economics, Educational Policy/Community Studies, English, Geography, Geosciences, History, Political Science, Social Work, Sociology, Urban Planning, & Women's Studies (See Complete List)

Internships

**URBAN STUDIES
CERTIFICATE PROGRAM
FALL SEMESTER 2009
COURSES**

AFRICOL-341: Black Politics and City Government:
(3 units; U)

ARTHIST-431: Renaissance Architecture in Italy:
(3 units; U/G)

COMPLIT-230: Literature and Society:
(3 units; U; HU)

COMPLIT-232: Literature and Politics:
(3 units; U; HU)

ED POL 113(403): The Milwaukee Community:
(3 units; U; SS)

ED POL-114: Community Problems:
(3 units; U)

ED POL-203: Communities and Neighborhoods in America:
(3 units; U)

ED POL 401: Foundations of Community-Based Organizations:
(3 units; U/G)

**ED POL-500: Sociology and Policy of Urban Communities and
Schools:**
(3 units; U/G)

**GEOG-140: Our Urban Environment: Introduction to Urban
Geography:**
(3 units; U; SS)

GEOG-441: Geography of Cities and Metropolitan Areas:
(3 units; U/G)

GEOG-540: Globalization and the City:
(3 units; U/G)

HIST-307: A History of Rome: The Republic:
(3 units; U/G)

HIST-595: The Quantitative Analysis of Historical Data:
(3 units; U/G)

- SOC WRK-206: Society, Poverty and Welfare Programs:**
(3 units; U)
- URB STD-150: Multicultural America**
(3 units; U; SS)
- URB STD 250(URB AFF 250): Exploring the Urban Environment:**
(3 units; U; SS)
- URB STD-360: Perspectives on the Urban Scene:**
(3 units; U; SS)
- URB STD-489: Internship in Urban Studies, Upper Division:**
(1 - 6 units; U)
- URB STD-699: Independent Reading:**
(3 units; U)
- URBPLAN-140: Issues in Contemporary Urban Planning:**
(3 units; U; SS)
- URBPLAN-316: Planning for the Great Cities of America:**
(3 units; U)
- URBPLAN-591: Introduction to Urban Geographic Information Systems (GIS) in Planning:**
(3 units; U)
- URBPLAN-630: Budgeting and Finance in the Public Sector:**
(3 units; U/G)
- URBPLAN-651: Land Use Planning Practice:**
(3 units; U/G)
- URBPLAN-684: Planning Local Economic Development:**
(3 units; U/G)

URBAN-RELATED UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATE COURSES

Africology

- 300: Urban Violence
- 319: History of Blacks in the American City Government
- 372: African American Literary Movements: Harlem Renaissance

Anthropology

- 022: Ancient Cities of the Americas
- 431: Urban Anthropology

Art History

- 106: Art Cities of Europe
- 360: Modern Architecture II: The Rise of Modern Architecture
- 412: Cities and Sanctuaries of Ancient Greece
- 425: Romanesque Architecture
- 426: French Gothic Architecture
- 429: English Medieval Architecture
- 431: Renaissance Architecture in Italy
- 458: A Comparative History of Architecture and Urbanism
- 459: American Architecture
- 461: Early Modern American Architecture in Midwest
- 462: Frank Lloyd Wright

Biological Sciences

- 204: Urban Horticulture

Comp lit

- 230: Literature and Society
- 232: Literature and Politics

Criminal Justice

- 370: Criminal Justice Administration
- 372: Criminal Justice Policy and Community
- 674: History of Criminal Justice

Economics

- 323: Urban Economics

Education Policy/Community Studies

- 113: The Milwaukee Community
- 114: Community Problems
- 203: Communities and Neighborhoods in America
- 500: Sociology and the Policy of Urban Communities and Schools
- 503: Foundations of Community-Based Organizations
- 507: Action Research on Milwaukee Institutions

English

- English 248 Literature and Contemporary Life: "Mapping the City"
- English: 394: Theories of Mass Culture

Geography

- 140: Our Urban Environment:
Introduction to Urban Geography
- 440: City Systems and Metropolitan
Development
- 441: Geography of Cities and
Metropolitan Areas
- 443: Cities of the World:
Comparative Urban
Geography
- 497: Study Abroad
- 520: Physical Geography of the City
- 540: Globalization and the City
- 564 Urban Environmental Change and
Social Justice

Geosciences

- 140: Water, Man and the Urban
Environment
- 465: Advanced Environmental Geology

History

- 192 Freshman Seminar: "Living in
Ancient Rome"; "The Burbs:
History of American Suburbs"
- 200: Historical Roots of
Contemporary issues
- 303: A History of Greek
Civilization: The
Greek-State
- 307: A History of Rome: The Republic
- 308: A History of Rome: The Empire
- 450: Growth of Metropolitan
Milwaukee
- 463: History of the American
City
- 595: The Quantitative Analysis of
Historical Data

- 600 Seminar in History: "Milwaukee and
the World"

Political Science

- 213: Urban Government and
Politics
- 387: Seminar in American
Politics: "Municipal Finance"
- 413: Governing Metropolitan
Areas
- 450: Urban Political Problems
- 452: Administrative Law

Social Work

- 205: Social Welfare: A Societal
Imperative
- 206: Society, Poverty, and
Welfare Programs
- 630: Women, Poverty, and
Welfare Reforms

Sociology

- 193: Freshman Seminar: College
in the City
- 377: Urbanism and Urbanization
- 603: Urban Minority Communities
- 604: Research in Urban Minority
Communities
- 610: Reproduction of Minority
Communities

Urban Planning

All Available UG Courses

Women's Studies

- 489: Feminism in City:
"Internship in Women's Studies"

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Urban Studies Programs' Upcoming Events



**Launch of e.polis 3rd Issue and New Design
Coming Soon**

Fall Social

September 24, 2009

Hefter Conference Center—3271 N. Lake Drive

Conference on the History of the Milwaukee Metropolitan Area

October 24, 2009

Hefter Conference Center—3271 N. Lake Drive

Henry Maier State of Milwaukee Summit Public Education in Milwaukee at a Crossroads...

November 12, 2009

Hefter Conference Center— 3271 N. Lake Drive

Urban Studies Programs' 15th Annual Student Forum

April 10, 2010

Hefter Conference Center—3271 N. Lake Drive