UNDERGRADUATE COURSE DESCRIPTIONS
FALL 2020

Urban Studies Office in Bolton 702
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UNDERGRADUATE MAJOR

The Urban Studies major provides the opportunity for students to explore scholarship on cities, suburban communities, and metropolitan regions with an interdisciplinary lens. Coursework in the major is drawn from the affiliated areas of African and African Diaspora Studies, Architecture, Criminal Justice, Educational Policy & Community Studies, Geography, History, Public and Nonprofit Administration, Political Science, Public Health, Sociology and Urban Planning, in addition to Urban Studies. Although interdisciplinary, the discipline of Urban Studies encompasses a distinct body of knowledge, one that combines both theoretical and applied approaches to understand urban processes. The major is designed to be flexible to allow the student to develop a strong foundation from the core courses and then build a set of elective courses that address particular urban histories and problems from different disciplines, depending on student interest and future goals.

Undergraduate Major in Urban Studies (L&S/BA); To declare a major in Urban Studies, make an appointment with the Urban Studies Associate Director, Jamie Harris to complete the declaration form.

Jamie Harris, Associate Director
Urban Studies Programs, Bolton 796
414-229-4629 or jmh@uwm.edu

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; 18 credits must be in L&S, of which 15 credits must be 300 or above; A student wishing to major in Urban Studies must complete 30 credits in approved Urban Studies or urban-related courses that include:
Course Requirements

Core Course, 3 credits:

URB STD 150 Multicultural America (offered every other fall semester & includes service-learning component). (URB STD 150 is an online course in Summer and/or WinteriM without the service-learning component.)

Introductory Survey of Urban Studies, 3 credits:
(lower and upper levels):

URB STD 250: Exploring the Urban Environment OR URB STD 360*: Perspectives and the Urban Scene [Any Topic] (Both courses offered fall/spring semesters)

Theory Course, 3 Credits:

URB STD 377 Urbanism and Urbanization (offered spring semesters)

Capstone Course, 3 Credits:

URB STD 600: Capstone Seminar in Urban Studies (NOTE: this course satisfies the research requirement & is offered spring semesters)

Statistics Course, 3 Credits:

Sociol 261*, Geog 247, Pol Sci 390, Hist 595*, or an approved equivalent course (at least one course offered each semester)

15 Credits

Plus 15 credits of course electives from

- African and African Diaspora Studies
- Architecture
- Criminal Justice
- Educational Policy & Community Studies
- Geography
- History
- Political Science
- Public & Nonprofit Administration
- Public Health
- Sociology
- Urban Planning
- Urban Studies

See list of approved courses on the next page. Interested? Need more Information?

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*Online course available
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*
- 289/489: Internship in Urban Studies
- 450: Urban Growth and Development: A Global View
- 497: Upper Level Study Abroad

**African and African Diaspora Studies:**
- 125: Economics of Black Communities
- 300: Urban Violence
- 319: History of Blacks in the American City
- 341: Black Politics and City Government
- 417: Race, Injustice and Change in America

**Architecture:**
- 190: Special Topic: Buildings-Landscapes-Cultures Field School

**Criminal Justice:**
- 291: Current Issues in Criminal Justice
- 295: Crime and Criminal Justice Policy
- 370: Criminal Justice Administration
- 372: Criminal Justice Policy and Community
- 674: History of Criminal Justice

**Educational Policy:**
- 111: Organizing for Social Action in Urban Communities
- 113: The Milwaukee Community
- 114: Community Problems
- 203: Communities and Neighborhoods in America
- 501: Concepts in Community Organizing: Conflicts and Change
- 503: Foundations of Community-Based Organizations
- 630: Race and Public Policy in Urban America

**Geography:**
- 114: Geography of Race
- 140: Our Urban Environment: Introduction to Urban Geography
- 215: Introduction to Geographic Information Sciences*
- 441: Geography of Cities and Metropolitan Areas*
- 443: Cities of the World: Comparative Urban Geography
- 464: Environmental Problems
- 520: Physical Geography of the City
- 540: Globalization of the City
- 564: Urban Environmental Change and Social Justice
- 625: Intermediate Geographic Information Science

**History:**
- 404: Topics in American History: Big City Life Viewed Through HBO’s Wire* & Tale of Two Cities Milwaukee LA
- 436: Immigrant American Since 1880
- 440: History of American Working Class
- 446: African Americans Since the Civil War
- 450: Growth of Metropolitan Milwaukee
- 460: History of Poverty
- 463: History of American City

**Political Science:**
- 213: Urban Government and Politics
- 243: Public Administration
- 387: Seminar in American Politics: Urban Politics Subtitle
- 413: Governing Metropolitan Areas
- 444: Politics and Bureaucracy
- 450: Urban Political Problems
- 452: Administrative Law

**Public and Nonprofit Administration:**
- 243: Public Administration
- 331: Comparative Public Administration
- 452: Administrative Law
- 462: Public Policy Planning

**Public Health:**
- 319: Introduction to Health Disparities
Urban Studies Programs Certificate

The Urban Studies Certificate Program provides the undergraduate student with a coordinated set of courses. These courses focus on urban issues and policy alternatives examined from a variety of humanistic, social scientific, and professional perspectives. Particular emphasis is placed on the impact of gender, racial and ethnic diversity within the context of urban policy choices and delivery. This certificate will be of particular interest to those students considering careers of graduate work in urban areas and as a supplement to majors in the arts and sciences or professions.

- 18 Credits (12 In Letters & Science; 6 SS, 6 HU
  [9 credits 300 and above, 6 Credits in L&S])
  - Urban Studies 250 or 360 Required
  - All Urban Planning Courses Count Toward Certificate (6 Credit Max.)

Take Urban Studies – Related Courses in:

- African and African Diaspora Studies
- Art History
- Biological Sciences
- Criminal Justice
- Comp Lit
- Economics
- Educational Policy/Community Studies
- English
- Geography

- History
- Political Science
- Public Health
- Social Work
- Sociology
- Urban Planning
- Urban Studies
- Women’s Studies

*Online course available
# Undergraduate Certificate Classes

**African and African Diaspora Studies**

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<td>African American Literary Movements: Harlem Renaissance (HU)</td>
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<td>Literature and Contemporary Life &quot;Mapping the City&quot; (HU)</td>
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<td>Theories of Mass Culture (HU)</td>
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<td>Cities and Sanctuaries of Ancient Greece (HU)</td>
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<td>601 (401):</td>
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<td>Historical Roots of Contemporary Issues (SS)</td>
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*Online course available
331: Comparative Public Administration
452: Administrative Law
462: Public Policy Planning

**Social Work**
206: Society, Poverty, and Welfare Programs
630: Women, Poverty, and Welfare Reforms

**Sociology**
193: Freshman Seminar: College in the City (SS)
224: American Minority Groups (SS)
235: Social Change in the Global Economy
307: Industrial Sociology (SS)
323: Perspectives on Latino Communities (SS)
324: Comparative Race Relations (SS)
325: Social Change (SS)

330: Economy and Society
377: Urbanism and Urbanization (SS)
423: Immigration and Incorporation
450: Environmental Sociology (SS)
472: Population and Society (SS)
610: Reproduction of Minority Communities

**Urban Planning**
All Available UG Courses

**Urban Studies**
All Available Courses

**Woman’s Studies**
489: Feminism in the City: “Internship in Women’s Studies
Summer Courses Offered 2020

URB STD 150*     Multicultural America
LEC 201     James Harris     ONLINE

3rd – 4 week session: July 20-August 15, 2020

An interdisciplinary course that explores the intersection of multiculturalism and urban development. This course is a required course for the major in urban studies and counts toward the urban studies certificate. In this course we will examine how city building and suburbanization are linked to race, ethnicity, immigration, class, and other social attributes by drawing on a variety of case studies from several disciplines in the social sciences. We will consider how economic development, federal and local policies, urban politics, and local community actions 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 and organizations have used urban space to construct community identities and foster movements for social change.

This Course fulfills cultural diversity requirement for degree.

No Service Learning Requirement for Summer/Winterim
**Fall Semester 2020 Courses Offered**

**URB STD 150  Multicultural America**  
LEC 001  James Harris  R  4:30-7:10 PM

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**URB STD 250  Exploring the Urban Environment**  
LEC 001  TBA  TR  2:00-3:15 PM

With an increasing number of people living in urban areas around the world, cities have become the focus of academic as well personal interest. Drawing on Milwaukee and other notable cities of the United States, this course will address the transition from rural to urban society and the interconnected influence of urbanization on social, political, economic, environmental and cultural spheres of human life. We will learn how to approach the city using theories and case-studies, including a few techniques for researching the “urban”. Divided into several small units, the course will introduce students to various (usually broad, interdisciplinary) approaches that scholars use to study the urban condition. Additionally, each of these smaller units will have readings/case studies that focus more specifically on concerns that are important or unique to Milwaukee and the metropolitan region. We will also learn about the changing nature of cities in the age of globalization and the future of urbanization. Additionally, typical course work will be augmented by guest speakers and chances to participate in extracurricular activities and events, both within the department as well as the community at large.

**URB STD 360*  Perspectives on the Urban Scene**  
LEC 201  TBA  ONLINE

**Topic: Green Cities: Urban Agriculture, Sustainability and Environmental Justice**

As our world becomes increasingly urbanized, cities face growing social, economic, and environmental challenges that pose the questions: “what does a green city really look like?” and “for whom are they designed?” In this course, students will have the opportunity to explore conflicts of environmental social inequality in cities, including the uneven distribution of green space, gentrification, and food injustice. Looking at the topic of green cities from a critical perspective, this course will examine how neoliberal policies impact who has access to green amenities like parks and healthy, affordable food sources, while exploring efforts by cities to create more just, sustainable urban communities using equitable planning strategies and urban agriculture. Finally, the course will touch on our own relationships to the built and natural environments, the characteristics that we think a green city should have, and the larger meaning and significance of urban environmental sustainability.  

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*Online course available*
Additional Major and Certificate
Fall 2020 Courses

Note: Only courses in African and African Diaspora Studies, Criminal Justice, Educational Policy and Community Studies, Geography, History, Political Science, Public Administration, Public Health, Sociology and Urban Planning apply to major.

AFRIC 125 Economics of the Black Community
LEC 001 Abera Gelan MW 9:30-10:45 AM
A survey of key economic principles, and elements that structure economic behavior in the black community.

ED POL 111* Introduction to Community Change and Engagement
LEC 291 TBA ONLINE
Basic concepts and strategies for community change and engagement.

ED POL 113 The Milwaukee Community
LEC 001 Staff MW 11:00 AM -12:15 PM
LEC 002 Julie Kailin M 4:30 – 7:10 PM
An overview of communities and neighborhood groups in Milwaukee. This course includes an extended field trip to different sites in Milwaukee. The $15 course fee pays for transportation. Students who cannot fit the field trip for their section into their schedule will have the option of going on the trip for a different section.

ED POL 114 Community Problems
LEC 001 Gary Williams T 5:00 - 7:40 PM
This course will examine how social problems impact upon communities and neighborhoods, how they are defined, and how these definitions influence social policies and programs.

ED POL 203* Communities and Neighborhoods in America
LEC 291 Raquel Farmer-Hinton ONLINE
Students will construct a survey of their neighborhoods, examine theories of community structure, and analyze neighborhood improvement movements.

ED POL 601 Foundations of Community – Based Organizations
LEC 001 Kalyani Rai M 5:00 – 7:40 PM
LEC 001 G Kalyani Rai M 5:00 – 7:40 PM
### GEOG 114*  
**Geography of Race in the United States**  
LEC 201  
LEC 402  
DIS 601  
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DIS 603  
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Anne Bonds  
LEC ONLINE  
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Contemporary geographic issues of segregation, assimilation, belonging, and exclusion facing African-American, White, Asian, Latino, Native American and either groups in the U.S.

### GEOG 140  
**Our Urban Environment: Introduction to Urban Geography**  
LEC 001  
Linda McCarthy  
MW  
3:30-4:45 PM  

Site and situation, central functions, spatial patterns of socio-economic and demographic characteristics of urban population. Spatial patterns of urban economy.

### GEOG 215*  
**Introduction to Geographic Information Science**  
LEC 201  
LEC 402  
LAB 801  
LAB 802  
LAB 803  
Rina Ghose  
Donna Genzmer  
ONLINE  
ONLINE  
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10:00-10:50 AM  

Geographic objects, their representation and analysis. Topics include special nature of spatial data; concepts of space, mapping, spatial relationships; and use of geographic information systems.

### GEOG 247  
**Quantitative Analysis in Geography**  
LEC 401  
LAB 801  
LAB 802  
Hyejin Yoon  
TBA  
TBA  
TBA  
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ONLINE  
ONLINE  
3:00-4:15 PM  

Application of quantitative measures to geographic problems. Topics include descriptive statistics, statistical inference, and bivariate relationships. 2 hrs lec, 2 hrs lab.

### GEOG 441  
**Geography of Cities and Metropolitan Areas**  
LEC 001  
LEC 001G  
Anne Bonds  
Anne Bonds  
TR  
TR  
9:30-10:45 AM  
9:30-10:45 AM  

Extent, localization and geographic relations of land uses, facilities and internal circulation, with particular reference to large North American cities.

*Online course available*
### GEOG 464  
**Environmental Problems**  
**LEC 001**  
Ryan Holifield  
TR  
12:30-1:45 PM  
**LEC 001G**  
Ryan Holifield  
TR  
12:30-1:45 PM  

General discussion and case studies of geographical contexts and historical roots of modern environmental problems. History of human concern over adverse environmental impacts.

### GEOG 525*  
**Geographic Information Science**  
**LEC 201**  
Zengwang Xu  
ONLINE  
**LAB 901**  
TBA  
ONLINE  
**LAB 902**  
TBA  
ONLINE  

### GEOG 540  
**Globalization and the City**  
**LEC 001**  
Linda McCarthy  
M  
5:30-8:10 PM  
**LEC 001G**  
Linda McCarthy  
M  
5:30-8:10 PM  

Spatial aspects of globalization and their impact on the city. Topics include emergence of global cities, impacts on urban development, and global era urban strategies.

### GEOG 625  
**Intermediate Geographic Information Science**  
**LEC 401**  
Changshan Wu  
TR  
9:30-10:45 AM  
**LAB 801**  
TBA  
W  
9:00-10:50 AM  
**LAB 802**  
TBA  
R  
12:00-1:50 PM  

Concepts and techniques of geographic information science (GIS), with emphasis on GIS-based spatial analysis, associated applications, and technology.

### HIST 303*  
**A History of Greek Civilization: The Greek City-State**  
**LEC 201**  
Katherine Milco  
ONLINE  

Greek History from prehistoric times to the death of Alexander the Great.

### HIST 307  
**A History of Rome: The Republic**  
**LEC 201**  
Katherine Milco  
ONLINE  

Roman history from the beginnings of the Roman state to the death of Julius Caesar.

### HIST 450G  
**Growth of Metropolitan Milwaukee**  
**SEM 001**  
A. Seligman  
T/R 9:30-10:45

*Online course available*
HIST 595*  The Quantitative Analysis of Historical Data
LEC 201  Lex Renda  ONLINE
LEC 201G  Lex Renda  ONLINE

Statistical methods and the computer in analysis of historical problems: statistics through regression; use of social science computer package; special techniques for handling historical data.

POLSCI 213*  Urban Government and Politics
LEC 201  Paru Shah  ONLINE

SOC WRK 206  Introduction to Social Welfare Policy
LEC 001  STAFF  M  6:00 – 8:40 PM
An analysis of the relationships between poverty, welfare programs, and the society which relates and sustains them; the origins, structures, and goals of welfare programs.

SOCIOL 261*  Introduction to Statistical Thinking in Sociology
LEC 201  Alexander Bryan  ONLINE
LEC 402  Aki Roberts  MW  12:00 - 12:50 PM
LAB 801  TBA  W  1:00 - 1:50 PM
LAB 802  TBA  W  2:00 - 2:50 PM
LEC 403  Yi Yin  TR  12:00 - 12:50 PM
LAB 803  Yi Yin  R  1:00 - 1:50 PM

Introduction to basic statistical concepts and procedures and their selected application to sociological data. Covers both descriptive and inferential statistics.

SOCIOL 325*  Social Change
LEC 001  Antonio Paniagua Guzman  TR  12:00 - 1:45 PM
LEC 202  Alexander Bryan  Online

Study of change in society; integration and various theories of social change; examination of contemporary instances of social change.

SOCIOL 330*  Economy and Society
LEC 201  Marcus Britton  ONLINE

The sociological perspective applied to economic phenomena, including production, distribution, consumption, exchanges of goods, a country's economic development, and global market.
**URBPLAN 140  Issues in Contemporary Urban Planning**

**LEC 401** Lawrence Witzling  TR  3:00 - 4:20 PM  
**DIS 601** TBA  T  1:00 - 1:50 PM  
**DIS 602** TBA  T  2:00 - 2:50 PM  
**DIS 603** TBA  R  1:00 - 1:50 PM  
**DIS 604** TBA  R  2:00 - 2:50 PM  

To explore areas of employment, poverty, health, politics, police, corrections, education, and housing and the relationship of the professional to these problems.

**URBPLAN 316  Planning for the Great Cities of America**

**LEC 001** Staff  TR  9:30-10:45 AM  

The Study of planning and development programs of large American cities and their approaches to growth, change ad decay, with a view to future solutions.

**URBPLAN 591  Introduction to Urban Geographic Information Systems (GIS) in Planning**

**LEC 401** Michael Benedict  M  4:30 - 6:20 PM  
**LAB 801** Makenzee Loft  M  6:30 - 8:10 PM  

Use of spatially related information including GIS and land record systems for improved productivity and decision making in service delivery, management, policy planning and land development.

*Online course available*
UPCOMING USP EVENTS

25th Annual Student Research Forum
April 30, 2021
12:00 – 6:00 PM

Fall Lecture
October, 2020

Henry W. Maier State of Milwaukee Summit
November, 2020

ALL Events Are Free and Open to The Public