

URBAN STUDIES PROGRAMS

Doctoral

Master's

Major

Certificate

UNDERGRADUATE COURSE DESCRIPTIONS FALL 2021



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.

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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
- Business Administration
- 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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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*
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

Business Administration:

441: Diversity in Organizations

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: Intro to Community Change & Engagement
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

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:

192: Freshman Seminar: "The Burbs: History of American Suburbs"
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

Sociology:

193: Freshman Seminar:
College in the City
224: American Minority Groups
235: Social Change in Global Economy
307: Industrial Sociology
323: Perspective on Latino Communities
324: Comparative Race Relations
325: Social Change
330: Economy and Society
423: Immigration and Incorporation (All Topics)
450: Environmental Sociology
472: Population and Society
610: Reproduction of Minority Communities

Urban Planning:

All Urban Planning courses

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+ of which 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	-History
-Art History	-Political Science
-Business Administration	-Public Health
-Criminal Justice	-Social Work
-Comp Lit	-Sociology
-Economics	-Urban Planning
-Educational Policy/Community Studies	-Urban Studies
-English	-Women's Studies
-Geography	

Undergraduate Certificate Classes

African and African Diaspora Studies

- 125: Economic of Black Communities
- 300: Urban Violence (SS)
- 319: History of Blacks in the American City(SS)
- 341: Black Politics and City Government (SS)
- 372: African American Literary Movements:
Harlem Renaissance (HU)
- 417: Race, Injustice and Change in America

Art History

- 360: Modern Architecture II: The Rise of
Modern Architecture (HU)
- 361: Modern Architecture III: Contemporary
Architecture (HU)
- 412: Cities and Sanctuaries of Ancient Greece
(HU)
- 425: Romanesque Architecture (HU)
- 426: French Gothic Architecture (HU)
- 429: English Medieval Architecture (HU)
- 431: Renaissance Architecture in Italy (HU)
- 458: A Comparative History of Architecture and
Urbanism (HU)
- 459: American Architecture (HU)
- 462: Frank Lloyd Wright (HU)

Business Administration

- 441: Diversity in Organizations*

Comparative Literature

- 230: Literature and Society (HU)
- 232: Literature and Politics (HU)

Criminal Justice

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

Education Policy & Community Studies 111:

- Introduction to Community Change and
Engagement*
- 113: The Milwaukee Community*
- 114: Community Problems*
- 203: Communities and Neighborhoods in
America*
- 500: Sociology & the Policy of Urb Communities and
Schools
- 507: Action Research on Milwaukee Institutions
- 601 (401): Foundations of Community-Based Orgs

- 630: Race and Public Policy in Urban America
- 248: Literature and Contemporary Life
"Mapping the City" (HU)
- 394: Theories of Mass Culture (HU)

Geography

- 114: Geography of Race in the U.S.*
- 140: Our Urban Environment: Introduction to
Urban Geography (SS)
- 215: Introduction to Geographic Information
Sciences (SS)*
- 247: Quantitative Analysis in Geography
- 443: Cities of the World: Comparative Urban
Geography (SS)
- 464: Environmental Problems
- 520: Physical Geography of the City (NS)
- 540: Globalization and the City (SS)
- 564: Urban Environmental Change and Social
Justice (SS)
- 625: Intermediate Geographic Information
Sciences

History

- 192: Freshman Seminar: "Living in Ancient
Rome"; or "The Burbs: History of
American Suburbs" (HU)
- 200: Historical Roots of Contemporary Issues
(SS)
- 303: A History of Greek Civilization: The Greek
City-State (HU)
- 307: A History of Rome: The Republic (HU)
- 308: A History of Rome: The Empire (HU)
- 436: Immigrant America Since 1880 (HU)
- 440: History of the American Working Classes
(SS)
- 450: Growth of Metropolitan Milwaukee (HU)
- 460: The History of Poverty in America (SS)
- 463: History of the American City (HU)

Political Science

- 213: Urban Government and Politics (SS)
- 387: Seminar in American Politics: Intensive in
American Politics (SS)
- 450: Urban Political Problems (SS)
- 452: Administrative Law (SS)

*Online course available

Public Administration

243: Public Administration

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)

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377: Urbanism and Urbanization (SS)

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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 2021

URB STD 150* Multicultural America

LEC 201 James Harris ONLINE

3rd – 4-week session: July 26 - August 21, 2021

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 race and ethnicity have shaped, and continue to influence, patterns of segregation and economic division across the American urban landscape. Specifically, we will focus on racial justice movements, historical and contemporary explanations for residential segregation, housing insecurity and the eviction crisis, neighborhood redevelopment and gentrification pressures, and sustainability and environmental justice movements. The course will also focus on the role of immigration and ethnic enclaves and economies in transforming urban spaces in the 20th and 21st centuries. We'll also look at the ways different groups have used urban space to construct distinct community identities and to foster movements for social change, as well as how gender and sexual difference have been defined and represented in urban space.

This Course fulfills cultural diversity requirement for degree.

No Service-Learning Requirement for Summer/WinterIM

Fall Semester 2021 Courses Offered

URB STD 150 Multicultural America

LEC 001 James Harris R 4:30-7:10 PM.

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. Service Learning Requirement for Fall/Spring.**

URB STD 250 Exploring the Urban Environment

LEC 001 Daniel Benson TR 2:00-3:15 PM

A majority of human social, political, and economic interactions now happen in urban areas. Therefore, it is critical to further probe and develop an understanding of the complex nature and the interconnected influence of urbanization on the social, political, economic, environmental and cultural spheres of human life. In this course, we will endeavor to accomplish just that. Utilizing established social theories, critical thinking skills, and common research techniques, we will learn how to bolster our understanding of urban phenomena and apply that understanding to specific urban areas. Because urban studies is a broad, interdisciplinary field, as complex and varied as human interactions with cities themselves, it is impossible for a 16 week course to present an exhaustive analysis of every facet of urbanization. Instead, this course aims to introduce students to a survey of key concepts, themes, and issues critical to the study of urban conditions. These concepts, themes, and issues will be presented through a series of one- to four-week long topic-based units. Urban-related subjects that may be discussed include, but are not limited to: urban theory and form, the history of urbanization, urban economics and labor, housing, segregation, poverty, transit and transportation, and green urbanism and sustainability. We will also learn about the changing nature of cities in the age of globalization and the future of urbanization.

URB STD 360* Perspectives on the Urban Scene

LEC 201 Xiaohan Gu ONLINE W 9:30 – 10:45

(Course will meet fully online. Students will be expected to attend virtual class meetings at the time stated in schedule of classes, as well as complete activities in a self-paced manner.)

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

Urbanization, with a pace that is growing ever faster, prompts both opportunities and challenges to satisfy the needs of the ballooning urban population. While this may boost technological innovations, economic growth, as well as more efficient and integrated lifestyles; the fast-paced urbanization leads to predicaments when our urban lifestyles counter resilient environmental stewardship and worsen social equity. Thus, sustainable development, by its very definition, brings hope to the establishment of a thriving and just urban environment, and a remedy to the dire ecological damages and deterioration caused by human beings. Before desperately embracing sustainability as the panacea-like guidelines to treat the current conditions for humanity, we need to understand the complexity of sustainable development; the challenges and the dynamics at play to establish a sustainable city and transform it into a greener one, and to evaluate sustainable strategic urban plans. This course, therefore, offers the opportunity to review and understand sustainable development through academic readings, book chapters, and case studies, with the integration of the ReFresh Milwaukee Plan (City of Milwaukee Sustainability Plan 2013-2023). Theories and practices are presented during the course to explain the complicated relationships between components of sustainable development and urban society through a focus on concepts, policy, justice, production, consumption, infrastructure, transportation, technology, and urban change. The purpose of the course is to support the establishment of critical and analytical thinking of urbanization and sustainability. Urban sustainability, through the observations and topics of the course, may reveal itself as problematic, contradictory, and sometimes seemingly unachievable, but it is nevertheless important for presenting our disagreement of existing urban development and our hopes for the creation of a more resilient and just city.

ED POL 601 Foundations of Community – Based Organizations

LEC 001	Kalyani Rai	M	4:30 – 8:40 PM
LEC 001G	Kalyani Rai	M	4:30 – 8:40 PM

Overview of community-based organizations, their structures, functions, & administration. Students will also be taught proposal writing skills.

GEOG 114* Geography of Race in the United States

LEC 201	TBA		ONLINE
LEC 402	Anne Bonds	TR	12:30-1:20 PM
DIS 601	TBA	T	2:00-2:50 PM
DIS 602	TBA	T	3:30-4:20 PM
DIS 603	TBA	W	2:00-2:50 PM
DIS 604	TBA	R	2:00-2:50 PM
DIS 605	TBA	R	3:30-4:20 PM

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	Staff	MW	3:30-4:45 PM
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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	Rina Ghose		ONLINE
LAB 901	Staff		ONLINE
LAB 902	Staff		ONLINE
LAB 903	Staff		ONLINE
LEC 402	Staff	TR	12:30-1:20 PM
LAB 801	TBA	T	8:00-9:40 AM
LAB 802	TBA	T	2:00-3:40 PM
LAB 803	TBA	W	11:00-12:40 PM

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 201	Hyejin Yoon		ONLINE
LAB 801	TBA	W	2:00-3:15 PM
LAB 802	TBA	F	9:30-10:45 AM

Quantitative Analysis in Geography is an introductory course that concentrates on the basic elements of statistics. In particular, this course focuses on both descriptive and inferential statistics. Throughout the semester, we will discuss the nature of probability and statistics, the normal distribution, statistical sampling, and various methods of describing data. In addition, we will cover some specific methods of data analysis, such as hypothesis testing, correlation analysis, regression analysis, and analysis of variance (ANOVA). This course can also be used to fulfill the UWM Quantitative Literacy Part B requirement. In the lab session, the students will be able to learn the real field examples using the MS Office Excel program.

GEOG 441* Geography of Cities and Metropolitan Areas

LEC 201	Anne Bonds		ONLINE
LEC 201G	Anne Bonds		ONLINE

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

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 801	TBA	M	2:00-3:40 PM
LAB 802	TBA	R	2:00-3:40

Geographic and information theoretical foundations of geographic information science (GIS). Use of macro languages in a software project to expand GIS functionality. 3 hrs lec, 2 hrs lab.

Prerequisite Enforcement: Geog 215(P) & Junior or above; or Special Student (including School Special, Post-Baccalaureate, Certificate, Univ Specials, 2nd Degree). Not open to graduate students.

GEOG 625 Intermediate Geographic Information Science

LEC 401	Changshan Wu	TR	9:30-10:45 AM
LAB 801	TBA	W	8:00-9:40 AM
LAB 802	TBA	R	11:00-12:40 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
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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
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Roman history from the beginnings of the Roman state to the death of Julius Caesar.

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.

SOC WRK 630 Families and Poverty

LEC 001	TBA	M	11:00 - 1:40 PM
LEC 001G	TBA	M	11:00 - 1:40 PM

Description of families in poverty and analysis of historical and contemporary national and state policies aimed at reducing poverty. Prereq: jr st; one prior course in Soc Wrk recom.

SOCIOL 261* Introduction to Statistical Thinking in Sociology

LEC 201	Aki Roberts	ONLINE	
LAB 904	Aki Roberts	ONLINE	
LAB 905	Aki Roberts	ONLINE	
LEC 402	Yi Yin	MW	11:00 - 11:50 PM
LAB 801	Yi Yin	W	12:30-1:20 PM
LEC 403	Theresa Beaumier	TR	12:30 - 1:50 PM

LAB 803 Theresa Beaumier R 2:00 - 2:50 PM

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

SOCIOL 323* Perspectives on Latino Communities

LEC 201 William Velez ONLINE

This course aims to achieve an understanding of the social and economic processes currently facing the Latino population in the United States as well as their historical experiences in various regions of the country. Special attention will be given to the three largest Latino subgroups: Puerto Ricans, Chicanos (Mexican-Americans), and Cubans. We will also consider theories of migration and related concepts such as that of the refugee. An examination of the available data and sociological materials on such social institutions as schools, the family, labor markets, and housing will be undertaken.

SOCIOL 325* Social Change

LEC 201 Antonio Paniagua Guzman 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	3:30 - 4:45 PM
DIS 601	TBA	T	12:30-1:20 PM
DIS 602	TBA	T	2:00 - 2:50 PM
DIS 603	TBA	R	12:30-1:20 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 Yaidi Cancel Martinez TR 9:30-10:45 AM

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

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

LEC 201	Michael Benedict	T	4:30 - 6:15 PM
LAB 801	Staff	T	6:30 - 8:00 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.

URBPLAN 692 Special Topics in Urban Planning: Inclusive Design

LEC 001	Krisann Rehbein	F	9:30 – 10:45 AM
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Provides a format for the development and presentation of new material in Urban Planning on an experimental, one-term basis. Specific cr & any additional prereqs announced in Schedule of Classes whenever course is offered. Instructional Method: Hybrid 51-80% Online