

## COURSE DETAIL

### THE BIRTH OF THE CITIES AND THE SHAPING OF SOCIETIES

**Country**

Hong Kong

**Host Institution**

University of Hong Kong

**Program(s)**

University of Hong Kong

**UCEAP Course Level**

Lower Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Urban Studies

**UCEAP Course Number**

17

**UCEAP Course Suffix****UCEAP Official Title**

THE BIRTH OF THE CITIES AND THE SHAPING OF SOCIETIES

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

BIRTH OF THE CITIES

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

5.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

3.30

## Course Description

This course examines the emergence of cities from the urban revolution around 5,000 BC to 4,000 BC first in Western Asia, through the key milestones of our urban evolution, to the current era of megacities and megaregions. The issues covered in this course include the birth of cities as a part of urban lifecycles; the projection of power; order and governance; disruption and reconfiguration; humanistic cities; building cities for mass populations; conflict, community, and faith; trends and competitions; unprecedented societal changes and urban growth; contemporary urbanism and our planetary future. We will focus on the development of a particular urbanism with its constituent cities as we expound each of these issues, while seeking to bring comparative case studies to illustrate how these issues have been unravelled in similar and diverse ways in other urbanisms and historical periods.

### Language(s) of Instruction

English

### Host Institution Course Number

CCGL 9070

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### Host Institution Campus

### Host Institution Faculty

### Host Institution Degree

### Host Institution Department

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