

COURSE DETAIL

URBAN DYNAMICS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Country

France

Host Institution

University of Lyon 2

Program(s)

University of Lyon

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Urban Studies Geography

UCEAP Course Number

110

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

URBAN DYNAMICS AND ORGANIZATIONS

UCEAP Transcript Title

URBAN DYNAMICS&ORG

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

This course approaches the city from an urban geography perspective. It repositions cities as a social construct, i.e., as the result of political, economic, technical, and cultural dynamics. It addresses the internal organization of cities, the mechanisms of differentiation between intra-urban spaces, and the social, political, economic, and environmental issues that this entails. Finally, it provides factual and theoretical knowledge (analytical frameworks, theories, concepts) to move from knowledge of urban facts and dynamics to an understanding of the processes that underlie them. This course opens up further study on intra-urban dynamics: processes of gentrification and impoverishment of territories, functional changes, demographic dynamics; the effects of these dynamics on urban organization and functioning: urban sprawl, spatial segmentation and mobility, theatricalization of city centers; and the construction of public problems: socially constructed identification of certain urban dynamics as problematic and requiring intervention by the authorities of the public powers. A minimum knowledge of the different types of intra-urban spaces (city center, suburbs, peri-urban areas) as well as the different types of cities and their functions is a prerequisite for the course.

Language(s) of Instruction

French

Host Institution Course Number

35BADA02

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Host Institution Course Details

Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

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