

Global Learning Semesters

Course Syllabus

Course: SOC-315 Urban and Community Sociology

Department: Social Sciences

Host Institution: University of Nicosia, Nicosia, Cyprus



Course Summary		
Course Code	Course Title	Recommended Credit Hours
SOC-315	Urban and Community Sociology	3
Semester Offered	Contact Hours	Prerequisites
Please contact us	42-45	SOC-101
Department	Level of Course	Language of Instruction
Social Sciences	Upper Division	English

Course Description

The course is designed to familiarize students to the basic structure of cities and communities. It focuses on the historical development of cities and communities, their contemporary characteristics and future prospects as well as the social psychological experience of living in cities and communities.

Prerequisites

SOC-101

Topic Areas

1. Urbanisation Process and Impact on Social Behaviour.
2. Family Organisation and Lifecycle.
3. Social Classes and Urban Lifestyles.
4. Neighborhood Theory, Community Concept and Social Networks.
5. Common Urban Social Issues Pertaining to Quality of Life, Housing Conditions, Ethnic Segregation, Urban Stress etc.
6. Urban and Community Planning.
7. Community Action and Interest Groups in Urban Societies.
8. Community Policing.
9. International Communities.

Readings and Resources

Required Textbooks

- Monti, Daniel J. 1999. The American City; A Social and Cultural History.
- Fodor, Eben V. 1999 Better Not Bigger: How to Take Control of Urban Growth and Improve Your Community.

Recommended Reading

- Andrews, Dave. (1998) Building a Better World: Developing Communities of Hope in Troubled Times.
- Moe, Richard and Wilkie, Carter. (1999) Changing Places: Rebuilding Communities in the Age of Sprawl.
- Kidder, Tracy. (1999) Home Town.

- McGee, T. G. The Urbanization Process in the Third World: (1971) Explorations in Search of a Theory.