

# URBAN AND COMMUNITY STUDIES (URBN)

## URBN 1200. Global Urbanization. (3 Credits)

(Also offered as GEOG 1200.) A broad discussion of the role and structure of cities around the world from the first cities to contemporary times. Special emphasis will be placed on the mechanisms by which cities and ideas about them have been diffused from one place to another and on the changing forces that have shaped cities over time and across space. CA 1. CA 4-INT.

**Content Areas:** CA1: Arts & Humanities, CA4INT: Div & Multi - Intl

**Topics of Inquiry:** TOI2: Cultural Dimen Human Exp, TOI3: Div, Equity, Soc Just

## URBN 1300. Exploring Your Community. (3 Credits)

Various aspects of urban and community life emphasizing the interplay of social justice, diversity, individual and social well being. Explores theories, concepts, and methods in community studies. May contain a service learning component. CA 2. CA 4.

**Content Areas:** CA2: Social Science, CA4: Diversity & Multicultural

**Topics of Inquiry:** TOI3: Div, Equity, Soc Just, TOI5: Indiv Values Soc Inst

## URBN 1300W. Exploring Your Community. (3 Credits)

Various aspects of urban and community life emphasizing the interplay of social justice, diversity, individual and social well being. Explores theories, concepts, and methods in community studies. May contain a service learning component. CA 2. CA 4.

**Enrollment Requirements:** ENGL 1007 or 1010 or 1011.

**Skill Codes:** COMP: Writing Competency

**Content Areas:** CA2: Social Science, CA4: Diversity & Multicultural

**Topics of Inquiry:** TOI3: Div, Equity, Soc Just, TOI5: Indiv Values Soc Inst

## URBN 1400. Site and Sound: Understanding Cities Through Popular Music. (3 Credits)

Examination of urban issues and trends like race, gender, class, sexuality, place attachment, politics, economics, environmentalism, and social activism by interpreting the lyrics and videos of popular music. CA 2. CA 4.

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**Skill Codes:** COMP: Writing Competency

**Content Areas:** CA2: Social Science, CA4: Diversity & Multicultural

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## URBN 1600. Cities of Imagination. (3 Credits)

Introduction to planned cities. Topics may include concepts in urban planning, past and present planned cities, considerations of ethics and inclusion in planning. CA 2.

**Content Areas:** CA2: Social Science

**Topics of Inquiry:** TOI1: Creativity: Des, Expr, Innv, TOI3: Div, Equity, Soc Just

## URBN 1998. Variable Topics. (3 Credits)

May be repeated for credit with a change in subject matter

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## URBN 2000. Introduction to Urban and Community Studies. (3 Credits)

Introduction to the analysis of urban development with particular stress on those problems pertinent to the American central city.

## URBN 2100. Survey Research Methods. (3 Credits)

(Also offered as PP 2100.) Theory and practice of surveys, including overall project design, questionnaire development, sampling, methods of data collection and data analysis.

## URBN 2301Q. Research Methods and Analysis in Urban and Community Studies. (3 Credits)

Introduction to research methods and analysis techniques useful in understanding urban issues and assessing public and non-profit social programs.

**Enrollment Requirements:** STAT 1000 or 1100. Open to sophomores or higher.

**Skill Codes:** COMP: Quantitative Competency

## URBN 2302. Qualitative Methods in Urban and Community Studies. (3 Credits)

An introduction to qualitative methods used in urban social research. Interdisciplinary techniques for data collection and analysis, including visual and narrative analysis, participant observation, interviewing, and archival research.

**Enrollment Requirements:** Open to sophomores or higher.

**Content Areas:** CA3: Science & Technology

**Topics of Inquiry:** TOI1: Creativity: Des, Expr, Innv, TOI6: Science & Empirical Inq

## URBN 2302W. Qualitative Analysis of Urban and Community Studies. (3 Credits)

An introduction to qualitative methods used in urban social research. Interdisciplinary techniques for data collection and analysis, including visual and narrative analysis, participant observation, interviewing, and archival research.

**Enrollment Requirements:** ENGL 1007 or 1010 or 1011.

**Skill Codes:** COMP: Writing Competency

**Content Areas:** CA3: Science & Technology

**Topics of Inquiry:** TOI1: Creativity: Des, Expr, Innv, TOI6: Science & Empirical Inq

## URBN 2400. City and Community in Film. (3 Credits)

(Also offered as AMST 2400.) Aesthetics, history, and contemporary relevance of American films that feature the urban, suburban, and/or small town landscape as a major "character" shaping plot and story. Films read closely as texts that make meaning through a range of tools, including narrative, mise-en-scene, editing, camera work, and genre conventions. CA 1.

**Content Areas:** CA1: Arts & Humanities

**Topics of Inquiry:** TOI1: Creativity: Des, Expr, Innv, TOI2: Cultural Dimen Human Exp

## URBN 2541. The History of Urban America. (3 Credits)

(Also offered as HIST 2541.) The development of Urban America with emphasis on social, political, physical, and environmental change in the industrial city.

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**Enrollment Requirements:** ENGL 1007 or 1010 or 1011.

**Skill Codes:** COMP: Writing Competency

**URBN 2600. Work and Economic Justice. (3 Credits)**

Interdisciplinary analysis of conservation and the human-environment relationship from a cross-cultural perspective. Major topics include sustainability, environmental ethics, climate change, natural disasters, health, and environmental justice.

**Enrollment Requirements:** Not open to students who have passed URBN 3998 when offered as Work and Economic Justice. Recommended preparation: URBN 2000.

**URBN 2650. History of Urban Latin America. (3 Credits)**

(Also offered as HIST 2650.) The development of Latin American cities with emphasis on social, political, physical and environmental change, from Spanish conquest to present. CA 1.

**Content Areas:** CA1: Arts & Humanities

**URBN 2901. Urban Sociology. (3 Credits)**

(Also offered as SOCI 2901.) Social and physical organization of cities and suburbs.

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**Enrollment Requirements:** ENGL 1007 or 1010 or 1011.

**Skill Codes:** COMP. Writing Competency

**URBN 2998. Variable Topics. (3 Credits)**

May be repeated for credit with a change in subject matter. Prerequisites and recommended preparation vary.

**Enrollment Requirements:** Prerequisites and recommended preparation vary.

May be repeated for credit

**URBN 3200. Urban Geography. (3 Credits)**

(Also offered as GEOG 3200.) Analysis of the growth, distribution, and functional patterns within and among Western cities. Application of urban geographical concepts to city planning problems.

**URBN 3276. Urban Problems. (3 Credits)**

(Also offered as SOCI 3903.) Social problems of American cities and suburbs, with emphasis on policy issues.

**Enrollment Requirements:** Open to juniors or higher.

**URBN 3276W. Urban Problems. (3 Credits)**

(Also offered as SOCI 3903W.) Social problems of American cities and suburbs with emphasis on policy issues.

**Enrollment Requirements:** ENGL 1007 or 1010 or 1011; open to juniors or higher.

**Skill Codes:** COMP. Writing Competency

**URBN 3400E. Urban Parks and Sustainability. (3 Credits)**

Historical and contemporary analysis of park issues related to the social, ecological, and economic sustainability of cities, such as the racial politics of park advocacy, the changing social practices of park use, the privatization of public space, urban resilience and green infrastructure, and the relationship between parks, gentrification, and urban sustainability. CA 2.

**Skill Codes:** COMP. Environmental Literacy

**Content Areas:** CA2: Social Science

**Topics of Inquiry:** TOI4: Environmental Literacy, TOI5: Indiv Values Soc Inst

**URBN 3439. Urban and Regional Economics. (3 Credits)**

(Also offered as ECON 3439.) Economic problems of cities and regions: urban markets for land, labor, and housing; location decisions of businesses and households; metropolitan transportation problems; urban/suburban fiscal relations; urban and regional environmental quality; and the economics of crime.

**Enrollment Requirements:** ECON 2201 or 2211Q. Recommended preparation: ECON 1200 or 1202; MATH 1071Q or 1110Q or 1121Q or 1131Q or 1151Q.

**URBN 3632. Urban Politics. (3 Credits)**

(Also offered as POLS 3632.) Political systems and problems confronting urban governments.

**Enrollment Requirements:** Open to juniors or higher.

**URBN 3632W. Urban Politics. (3 Credits)**

(Also offered as POLS 3632W.) Political systems and problems confronting urban governments.

**Enrollment Requirements:** ENGL 1007 or 1010 or 1011; open to juniors or higher.

**Skill Codes:** COMP. Writing Competency

**URBN 3981. Internship in Urban Studies: Seminar. (1-3 Credits)**

Description, analysis, and evaluation of the fieldwork portion (URBN 3991) of the internship. Written reports are required.

**Enrollment Requirements:** Must be taken concurrently with URBN 3991. May be repeated for a total of 6 credits

**URBN 3991. Internship in Urban Studies: Field Study. (1-3 Credits)**

A fieldwork internship program under the direction and supervision of a faculty member affiliated with the Urban Studies faculty. Hours by arrangement with hosting agency, 42 hours per semester per credit. Students taking this course will be assigned a final grade of S (satisfactory) or U (unsatisfactory).

**Enrollment Requirements:** Must be taken concurrently with URBN 3981. May be repeated for a total of 6 credits

**URBN 3993. Foreign Study. (1-6 Credits)**

Special topics in a foreign-study program. Consent of Department Head required, preferably prior to the student's departure.

**Enrollment Requirements:** Open to juniors or higher.

May be repeated for credit

**URBN 3995. Special Topics. (1-6 Credits)**

**Enrollment Requirements:** Prerequisites and recommended preparation vary.

May be repeated for credit

**URBN 4000. Understanding Your Community. (3 Credits)**

Examination of an urban area or local community. Production of a detailed case study including historical perspective, analysis of issues and stakeholders, evaluation of internal strengths and weaknesses as well as external threats and opportunities. Proposal of strategies for addressing problems and advancing equity, growth, and development.

**Enrollment Requirements:** URBN 2000; open to Urban and Community Studies majors in their senior year only.

May be repeated for credit

**URBN 4497W. Senior Thesis. (3 Credits)**

Research and writing of an urban and/or community focused thesis. Students must have a thesis advisor and an approved thesis topic.

**Enrollment Requirements:** ENGL 1007 or 1010 or 1011.

**Skill Codes:** COMP. Writing Competency

**URBN 4999. Independent Study. (1-6 Credits)**

May be repeated for credit