

COURSE OUTLINE

(1) General

School:	Social Sciences			
Academic Unit:	Geography			
Level of studies	Undergraduate			
Course Code:	GEO 109	Semester:	B	
Course Title:	Urban Geography			
Independent Teaching Activities	Weekly Teaching Hours	Credits		
Lecture		3		
			Course total	5
Course Type:	Required			
Prerequisite Courses:	None			
Language of Instruction and Examinations	Greek			
Is the course offered to Erasmus students:	No			
Course Website (Url):	https://geography.aegean.gr/pps/index_en.php?content=0&lesson=109			

(2) Learning Outcomes

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Upon successful completion of this subject, students will have:

- familiarization with the basics concepts and definitions of Urban Geography;
- understanding of Urban Geography objectives, theories, policies and practices;
- analyzing of a variety of urban systems and the social forces that shape these systems;
- improved their capacity to translate this knowledge into applied analysis;
- ability to interpret the structure of the city in different spaces and times;
- ability to evaluate available evidence on urban forms and processes;
- identification of various approaches to urban geographical phenomena;
- ability to integrate knowledge with critical thinking skills. Be able to build a critical approach of contemporary urban (social, ecological, cultural, economic) phenomena;
- basic principles learning for the composition of a trans-disciplinary project of urban space;
- cultivation of team work ability and collaboration spirit.

General Competences

1. Search for, analysis and synthesis of data and information, with the use of the necessary technology
2. Adapting to new situations
3. Decision-making

4. Team work
5. Working in an international environment
6. Working in an interdisciplinary environment
7. Respect for difference and multiculturalism
8. Respect for the natural environment
9. Showing social, professional and ethical responsibility and sensitivity to gender issues
10. Criticism and self-criticism
11. Production of free, creative and inductive thinking

(3) Syllabus

This course introduces students to some of the key themes, concepts and debates characterising Urban Geography. Among the topics covered initially are conceptualisations of the urban condition, human geography debates and theories of urbanisation. The course then focuses on urban geographies of the European and American cities.

Definitions : System of cities and structure of the city (urban models), Land use and Land occupation, Urbanisation and Suburbanisation. Interactions between urban phenomena and environment in several cities and particularly in Greek cities. Spatial exclusion: social, economic, environmental and cultural issues. Gender issues and anti-colonial approaches in Urban Geography.

Critical approaches of urban social, ecological, cultural and economic processes in several cities in the world. Focus on Europe (with emphasis in the Mediterranean space) and America (with emphasis in Latin American space).

(4) Teaching and Learning Methods - Evaluation

Delivery:	face-to-face	
Use of Information and Communication Technology:	Yes, bibliography	
Teaching Methods:	Activity	Semester workload
Lecture	39	
Project	42	
Non-supervised study	24	
Performance evaluation/Exams	25	
	Course total<	130
Student Performance Evaluation	50% dissertation 50% exams	

(5) Attached Bibliography

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