FALL 2022 GEOG 442: URBAN SPACES/URBAN SOCIETY
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MEETS 3 CR. HRS OF GENED VOLCORE - SOCIAL SCIENCES (SS)

• VARIED DIFFERENCES: Where, Why, How and for Whom?
• Understand/Discuss: Theories and empirical patterns of socio-spatial disparities and the complex relationships due to human diversity (e.g., race/ethnicity, nationality, culture, class, gender, sexuality, age, education)
• How do these factors interact with each other to produce spaces & opportunities of difference. Major topics may include
  • Urban Ecology Theories, Neighborhoods & Communities
  • Gentrification, Capitalism, Crises in Capitalism & Uneven (Racial/Ethnic) Development

  ▪ Race/Ethnicity, Diversity, Multi-Culturalism
  ▪ Ethnic & Gender Economy and Various types of Inequalities
  ▪ Environmental Racism, White Supremacy, White Privilege (Political-economy discourses)
  ▪ Globalization, Deindustrialization & Metropolitan Problems (Race, Crime, Poverty, Homelessness)
  ▪ Urbanization: Developed & Developing World
  ▪ Evaluation criteria: Article critique, Movie review, In-class group discussions, Canvas-commentary, Mid-term, Final exam/Class project presentations (peer evaluated)