

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)