Urban Communities and Cultures (SA)

Sociology and Anthropology 364

Section: D100

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Discussion Topics: This course offers political economic and socio-cultural perspectives to contemporary city life as experienced by different classes and communities. It seeks to serve as an introduction to the field of Urban Sociology by placing the urban setting in theoretical and historical context. The dialectical relationship between the local and the global will be key here in understanding the opportunities as well as the hidden injuries created by the modern city in the age of neoliberal globalisation. The course will examine the cultural and artistic manifestations of stratification, diversity, and globalisation experienced in the city by featuring excerpts from cinema and documentaries that will accompany a selection of urban sociological texts.

Grading: Attendance and Participation: 15%

Class Presentation: 20% Presentation Response: 5%

Research Paper: 30% Annotations: 10%

Test: 20%

Grading and Academic Honesty:

All assignments in this course must be completed for a final grade to be assigned. The Department of Sociology and Anthropology follows SFU policy in relation to grading practices, grade appeals (Policy T 20.01) and academic honesty and misconduct procedures (S10.01-S10.04). It is the responsibility of students to inform themselves of the content of these policies available on the SFU website: http://www.sfu.ca/policies/teaching/index.htm

Required Texts: None

Articles will be put on Library Reserve

Recommended Texts: Macionis, John J. and Vincent N. Parrillo (2010) Cities and Urban Life, Fifth Edition. New York: Pearson.

Materials/Supplies: None

Prerequisite/Corequisite: SA 101 or 150 or 201. Students with credit for SA 464 may not take SA 364 for further credit.

Notes:

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