

- Final: 25%
- Class participation: 5%

Each memo will be your responses to an urban policy question on a topic that we cover. Answers to questions posed by me one week will be due the next.

Policy for Plagiarism or Cheating

Plagiarism will not be tolerated in this class. Just as a warning...if it was easy for you to find a source to copy from directly, the probability is high that it will be even easier for me to discover that you have plagiarized from it. On the web, all I have to do is perform a quick Google search of a phrase you have used. Off the web, understand that I have been teaching this course for a number of years and know most key resources that are currently in print.

If you are caught, the penalties for plagiarism or cheating are potentially quite high. See Rutgers University's Interim Academic Integrity Policy <http://academicintegrity.rutgers.edu/integrity.shtml>.

Readings

I suggest that you purchase

Beauregard, Robert A. (2006) *When America Became Suburban*. University of Minneapolis Press: Minneapolis.

Bruegmann, Robert. (2005) *Sprawl: A Compact History*. University of Chicago Press: Chicago.

Glaeser, Edward. (2011) *Triumph of the City*. Penguin Press: New York.

Jacobs, Jane. (1970) *The Economy of Cities*. Vintage: New York.

These books are generally well-known by the planning world. I will be only requiring a partial reading of *The Economy of Cities*. All of these books texts should be or become available in the Rutgers Bookstore. If they are less expensive (including shipping charges) online from the likes of Amazon or Barnes & Noble (or half.com), go ahead and buy them there.

Course Outline & Syllabus

1. [September 8] *Why Cities? The Birth of Urbanization*

Jacobs, Chapters 1 & 2. "Cities First—Rural Development Later" and "How New Work Begins."

O'Sullivan, Arthur. (2006) "The First Cities," in Richard J. Arnott and Daniel P. McMillan (eds), *Companion to Urban Economics*. Blackwell Publishing: Malden, MA, pp. 40–54.

2. [September 12] *Sociology, Culture, and the Settlement of American Cities*

Hardin, Garrett. (1968) "The Tragedy of the Commons," *Science*, 162, 1243-1248.

Meinig, D.W. (1986) "Implantations: The Creation of American Diversity," *The Shaping of America—Volume 1: Atlantic America, 1492-1800*. Yale University Press: New Haven, CT, pp. 213–254.

3. [September 19] *City States and a Federalized System of Cities: Early American Urban Development*

Bridenbauch, Carl. "Commercial Rivalries," Chapter X in *Cities in the Wilderness: Urban Life in America 1625-1742*. Capricorn Books: New York, pp. 330–363.

Hoover & Giarratani. Transfer Costs. Market Areas (von Thünen)

The role of the state and local governments: public goods

The importance of an influx of low-skilled labor

4. [September 26] *The Transportation and Industrial Revolutions: Intercity Dynamics*

Glaeser, Chapter 1.

Hoover & Giarratani. Location and the Theory of Production. (Cohesive and Dispersive forces), Intensity of Land Use

Meinig, D.W. (1986) "The Growth of a Continental Nation," *The Shaping of America—Volume 2: Continental America, 1800-1867*. Yale University Press: New Haven, CT, pp. 221–264.

Parr, John. (2001). "Missing Elements in the Analysis of Agglomeration Economies," *International Regional Science Review*, 25, 151-168.

Preston, Richard E. (1978) "The Structure of Central Place Systems," in Larry S. Bourne and Jim W. Simmons (eds.), *Systems of Cities*. Oxford University Press: New York, pp. 185-206.

5. [October 10] *The Transportation and Industrial Revolutions: The Internal Structure of Cities*

Jackson, Kenneth T. (1985) "The Transportation Revolution and the Erosion of the Walking City," Chapter 2 in *Crabgrass Frontier: The Suburbanization of the United States*. Oxford University Press, New York, pp. 20–44.

McCann, Philip. (2001) "The Spatial Structure of the Urban Economy," Chapter 3 in *Urban and Regional Economics*. Oxford University Press: New York, pp. 93–124.

Coase and Land Use

6. [October 17] *Metropolitan Development through 1940*

Beauregard.

Glaeser, Chapter 2.

7. [October 24] *Midterm Exam*

8. [October 31] *Metropolitan Development since 1940*

Bruegmann.

Tiebout, Charles. 1956. "A Pure Theory of Local Expenditures," *Journal of Political Economy*, 64, 416-424.

Schmalensee, Richard, Paul L. Joskow, A. Denny Ellerman, Juan Pablo Montero, and Elizabeth M. Bailey. 1998. "Interim Evaluation of Sulfur Dioxide Emissions Trading," *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, 12(3), 53-68.

9. [November 7] *Land Use and Growth Management*

Breuckner, Jan. 2000. "Urban Sprawl: Diagnosis and Remedies," *International Regional Science Review*, 21, 160-171.

Ewing, Reid. 1997. "Is Los Angeles-style Sprawl Desirable?," *Journal of the American Planning Association*, 63, 107-126.

Glaeser, Chapter 8.

Gordon, Peter and Harry Richardson. 1997. "Are Compact Cities a Desirable Planning Goal?" *Journal of the American Planning Association*, 63, 95-106.

10. [November 14] *Urban Housing Markets and Housing Policy*

Geltner, David. 2006. "Commercial Real Estate," in Richard J. Arnott and Daniel P. McMillan (eds.) *Companion to Urban Economics*. Malden, MA: Blackwell Publishing, pp. 211-227.

Glaeser, Chapter 6.

11. [November 21] *Labor Markets and the Concept of Human Capital*

Glaeser, Chapter 5.

12. [November 28] *Crime and Punishment*

Levitt, Steven. (2004) "Understanding Why Crime Fell in the 1990s: Four Factors that Explain the Decline and Six that Do Not," *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, 18(1), 163-190.

Payne, Brian K., Randy R. Gainey, Ruth A. Triplett, and Mona J.E. Danner. (2004) What Drives Punitive Beliefs?: Demographic Characteristics and Justifications for Sentencing, *Journal of Criminal Justice*, 32, 195-206.

Raphael, Steven and Melissa Sills. (2006) "Urban Crime, Race, and the Criminal Justice System in the United States," in Richard J. Arnott and Daniel P. McMillan (eds.), *Companion to Urban Economics*. Malden, MA: Blackwell Publishing, pp. 515-535.

13. [December 5] *Urban Transportation*

O'Sullivan, Arthur. (2003) "Chapter 11: Autos and Highways," *Urban Economics*. McGraw-Hill: New York, pp. 257-290.

O'Sullivan, Arthur. (2003) "Chapter 12: Mass Transit," *Urban Economics*. McGraw-Hill: New York, pp. 291-319.

14. [December 12] *The Character of Growing Cities*

Glaeser, Chapter 2, Chapter 9, and Conclusion.

Final Exam (to be scheduled)