

International Studies 750: Topics in International Studies: The Global City
History 808: Colloquium in Comparative History: The Global City
Sociology 980: Special Topics in Sociology: The Global City

Global City Syllabus

Required Books:

J. MacGaffey and R. Bazenguissa-Gonga, Congo-Paris

Peter Fritzsche, Reading Berlin 1900

V. Valle and R. Torres, Latino Metropolis

A. Bayat, Street Politics

N. Garcia Canclini, Consumers and Citizens

Judd and Fainstein, The Tourist City

V. Schwartz, Spectacular Realities

Recommended:

Z. Bauman, Globalization: The Human Consequences

R. Biswas, Metropolis Now!

Weekly Schedule:

May 30, Thursday—Introduction; The Global and the Local

Reading: J. MacGaffey, Congo-Paris, 1-106 and Saskia Sassen article

Video: Night on Earth and/or 100% Arabica

June 1, Saturday—Cinema and Representations of Urban Modernity

Reading: V. Schwartz, Spectacular Realities, 177-200; Wide Angle article or Natter, “The City as Cinematic Space” or Shiel and Fitzmaurice on “Playtime”

Video: clips from Film Noir, Dark City, Metropolis, Playtime, Central Station, Dodeskaden, Sans Soleil, City of Hope

Lecture: Window Shopping, reception and movie palaces

June 4, Tuesday—Public Space and the Modern City: Berlin

Reading: Fritzsche, Reading Berlin 1900 12-86 and 127-203

Video: Symphony of the City and Weimar street film

Lecture: Berlin as World City (D.C. Large), Simmel, Women in the Metropolis

June 6, Thursday—The Imperial City of Spectacle: Paris

Reading: V. Schwartz, 13-88

Video: Paris in the 19th Century

Lecture: W. Benjamin and the Arcades, 1930s, Night in the City

June 8, Saturday—The Colonial City: Algiers

Reading: Z. Celik

Video: Bab El-Oued City and Battle of Algiers

- June 11, Tuesday—Consumption and Cultural Flows: Mexico City
 Reading: N. Garcia Canclini, Consumers and Citizens, 15-107
 Video: Sinking Magic or Americas on Mexico City Migrants or Border Brujo
 Lecture: World Music
- June 13, Thursday— The Tourist City
 Reading: D. Judd and S. Fainstein, The Tourist City
 Video: Julianna or Mexican sequence from “Out of the Past” or Las Vegas documentary
- June 15, Saturday— The Port City: Social Control and Immigration in Shanghai
 Video: The Port of Last Resort
 Reading: F. Wakeman, “Licensing Leisure: The Chinese Nationalists’ Attempt to Regulate Shanghai, 1927-1949,” Journal of Asian Studies, 54:1, February 1995, 19-42. Jeffrey Wasserstrom, “Postmodern L.A. and Old Shanghai,” Contention, 5:3, Spring 1996, 70-90.
- June 18, Tuesday—The Immigrant City—New York and Los Angeles
 Reading: Latino Metropolis
 Video: Taxi Dreams and Bread and Roses
 Lecture: Sebastiao Salgado on migrations
- June 20, Thursday—Shantytowns, The Homeless, and Community
 Reading: Tony Guzewicz, “A New Generation of Homeless Hits Tokyo’s Streets,” Japan Quarterly, July-September 1996, 43-53. Rio Street kids in NACLA or Tobias Hecht or If You Lived Here
 Video: Villa El Salvador
- June 22, Saturday— The Postmodern City
 Reading: Ian Chambers, “Cities Without Maps” in Migrancy, Culture, Identity, 92-114.
 Video: Bladerunner and Sans Soleil
- June 25, Tuesday— Islamic Revolution in the Streets: Teheran
 Reading: Bayat, Street Politics
 Video: The Mirror
- June 27, Thursday— The Postcolonial City
 Reading: Alessandro Triulzi, “African Cities, Historical Memory and Street Buzz” in Chambers and Curti, The Post-colonial Question, 78-91
 SHOW: CD-ROM: Five Windows to Africa
- June 29, Saturday—The Anti-Globalist Street
 Reading: New Left Review?
 Video: The Seattle Syndrome

Alternate Session: War and Social Collapse--Sarajevo and Beirut

Reading: Dizdarevic, Sarajevo, A War Journal (Selections)

Video: Urbicide or Welcome to Sarajevo or Once Upon a Time, Beirut or West Beirut

Situationists and the Street

Theory of the Dérive (City Lights Bookstore)