

Global City

Local Spaces

Lecture
WiSe 2022

Cities do not develop as planners want: Since the origins of modern planning the discipline struggles to position itself between the paradigm of control and the more messy reality of application. With the critique of modernist planning, new approaches and role definitions have been formulated which expose planning not as an isolated, hermetic discipline, but as a complex, dynamic, multi-disciplinary, situated and mostly open-ended process involving a multitude of voices and actors. Decision-making in planning is deeply influenced by broader political and societal contexts, while urban managers, politicians and a multitude of private and public actors exert control over many urban processes and sites.

This lecture series will focus on different theoretical and analytical approaches to urban settlements, global urbanisation and transformation as well as on the practice of urban planning. It is structured in three blocks, addressing key questions such as:

- How can one define the urban as a field of inquiry and planning practice in a planetary perspective?
- How is the knowledge base of planning generated by different disciplines and across geographies of expertise and power?
- How can one build an understanding of the co-production of urban space as a toolbox for more inclusionary, sustainable and just planning and design strategies?

The principle of making the co-production and the open borders of urban planning knowledge explicit also informs the set-up of the lecture series. In order to represent the spectrum of approaches to urban design and research at Habitat Unit, the lecture brings together multiple voices by researchers and practitioners in the fields of planning, architecture, urban studies and sociology. Students are encouraged to develop a (self)critical awareness of the broader context and multidisciplinary field in which planners operate. This should facilitate (not limit) his/her creative involvement in forging more beautiful, just, and sustainable urban environments.

3 ECTS

M_Arch, M_Arch_T, UD, SRP, UM

Tuesday 12-2 pm (c.t.)

online
(Zoom link on ISIS)

First meeting
Oct 25, 2022

Registration
Please enroll in ISIS:
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	Session Topic	Lecturers
Oct 25	Introduction	
BLOCK 1 DEFINING URBAN SPACE IN A GLOBALIZED WORLD		
Nov 1	1. Understanding the Urban as a Global Process	Anke Hagemann
Nov 8	2. Tracing Trans-Local Urban Ecologies	Elke Beyer
Nov 15	3. Beyond Cities: Extended Urbanisation and Integrated Planning at the Urban-Rural Interface	Hannes Langguth
BLOCK 2 CO-PRODUCING URBAN KNOWLEDGES		
Nov 22	4. Analyzing Urban Space in its Manifold Dimensions	Anke Hagemann
Nov 29	5. Thinking Urban Design through Larger Socio-Technical Systems	David Bauer
Dec 6	6. Urban water challenges in South East Asia's growing cities - towards water sensitive futures	Anna Wilk-Pham, Adrian Hodgson
Dec 13	7. Care - Feminist Perspectives in Architecture and Urbanism	Elke Beyer
Dec 19– Jan 4	Holiday Break	
BLOCK 3 CO-PRODUCING URBAN SPACES		
Jan 10	8. Planning, Inclusion, Intersectionality: Safe(r) Spaces and queer inclusive planning	Christian Haid
Jan 17	9. Insurgent Urbanism: Building trans-local dialogues in collaborative spatial transformation	Juliana Canedo
Jan 24	10. Post-conflict Urbanism in the Arab world	Hassan Elmouelhi
Jan 31	11. Planning and Counter-Planning: The relation of the everyday to statutory planning	Nadine Appelhans
Feb 7	Final Review Session & Take-Home Essay Questions handed out	Anke Hagemann Elke Beyer
Essay Writing		
Feb 24	Deadline for Essay Submission	

Practicalities

The lectures are held online, the zoom link will be posted on ISIS.
If you do not have access to ISIS yet, please contact us to join the first lectures on zoom!

Registration

Please enroll in ISIS: <https://isis.tu-berlin.de/course/view.php?id=31904>
For exam registration, follow the instructions for your study course.

Course materials: Core readings to prepare for lectures

Core readings to prepare before lectures and further reading suggestions are posted on ISIS.
Lectures are going to be recorded and links for streaming will be posted on ISIS on a weekly base.

Course marking

Attendance to the lectures and core readings are mandatory.
The final assignment for participants is a short “take-home-essay” (750 words max.) answering one out of two set questions. It will be required to follow academic writing standards (see “Guidelines for Academic Writing” on ISIS) and to refer to at least 2 of the core readings.

Essay questions will be announced in the final lecture on Feb 7, 2022.

Deadline for submission of take-home essay (soft copy) on ISIS: Friday Feb 24, 2022.

Please make sure to include on essay:

- Full name
- Matriculation number and Master Program
- Course name
- Title
- Title image

Soft copy

- Word Format (“doc.”)
- 750 words max., answering one out of two set questions
- following academic writing standards
- referring to at least 2 of core readings and case of your choice
- No more than 2MB!
- Start file name with your last name!

Criteria for assessment for essay

- Choice of relevant case or example for discussion
- Structure of argument
- Relation to theory / core reading
- Style (grammar, format, spelling, adherence to academic writing standards)