

**GEOGRAPHY 551
H(3-0) Area II****Advanced Urban Geography****Instructor:** Wayne Davies**Office:** ES 442**Phone:** 220-4888**Timetable:** ES 443 Catalogue
Wed 16:00 150 min**Emergencies only email:** wdavies@ucalgary.ca**Office Hours:** TBA. N.B. Please arrange appointments immediately after class time.**Official Course Description:**

Selected topics in the field, such as the processes of growth in urban systems or urban ecology.

Prerequisite:

Geography 351 and 451 or consent of the Department. It is not necessary to pass all parts of the course to obtain a passing final grade.

Supplementary Fees: (*field trips etc*). N/A**Course Description**

A critical survey of the regulatory literature on urban system development processes, focusing on the government strategies for regulating and controlling urban growth. The course will deal with the reasons for and against regulation and will then focus on specific population, settlement, land use, regional, and economic development strategies used by governments to stimulate or reduce the growth of cities. It will also discuss the effectiveness of these measures. The focus of the course is world-wide but will also use some Canadian examples when relevant.

Grading:**Mid Term:** 20%. Date to be arranged by discussion with students**Take home-Final:** 50% (No scheduled Registrar's exam)

Given out in last 2 weeks of term (dates with student agreement) with 2 weeks to complete. (Three or four essays: maximum 5 sides of text per answer at c.30lines/page).

Projects and Assignments 30% (Maximum of two papers)

The final grade is based on all the work completed. Students do not have to pass any one part of the course in order to pass the course as a whole.

Text(s)/Readings:

There is no satisfactory text. Selected readings and lecture notes will be provided

Re: Posting of Grades and Picking-up of Assignments

- Assignments will be handed back only in class or by the Professor at pre-arranged time(s).
- If you would like to receive your assignment through the mail, please include an appropriately sized self-addressed, stamped envelope with your assignment when you hand it in to the professor.
- Posting of grades will be at the discretion of each Professor and, if posted, they will be scrambled. Please note, grades will not be available in the Geography office.

N.B. Students are responsible for observing deadlines and attending examinations as scheduled. Failure to attend or late submission will normally result in forfeiture of that portion of the course grade. It is not essential to pass all parts of the course in order to pass the course as a whole. The grading system will be the official University of Calgary system, but mid terms etc will be based on translating this into percentages E. G. B 3.0 GPts)=75%; C(2.0 PPts) =50% etc.

For additional detailed course information posted by the Instructor see Blackboard at:
<http://blackboard.ucalgary.ca/>

Plagiarism

Academic dishonesty is not an acceptable activity at the University of Calgary and students are **strongly advised** to read the Student Misconduct section in the University Calendar. Quite often, students are unaware of what constitutes academic dishonesty or plagiarism. The most common are 1) presenting another student's work as your own 2) presenting an author's work or ideas as your own without proper referencing and 3) using work completed for another course. This activity will not be tolerated in this course and students conducting themselves in this manner will be dealt with according to the procedures outlined in the calendar.

Disability Resource Centre Accommodations

It is the student's responsibility to request academic accommodations. If you are a student with a documented disability who may require academic accommodation and have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre, please contact their office at 220-8237. Students who have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre are not eligible for formal academic accommodation. You are also required to discuss your needs with your instructor no later than fourteen (14) days after the start of this course.

Re: Posting of Grades and Picking-up of Assignments

- All assignments will be handled on Blackboard.
- Their own grades will be available to each student on Blackboard by password access. Grades will **not** be available at Geography's main office.

Contact Information for Student and Faculty Representation

- SU VP Academic Phone: 220-3911 and e-mail: suypaca@ucalgary.ca
- SU Faculty Rep. Phone: 220-3913 and e-mail: socialscirep@su.ucalgary.ca

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