



UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

SYLLABUS DEL CORSO

Politica della Città

1920-3-E4001N092

Learning objectives

Knowledge and understanding

Provide theoretical skills needed to understand city government processes.

Applying knowledge and understanding

Provide an overview of the main methods of urban policy analysis.

Contents

The course introduces students to the topic of urban policy, proposing some essential interpretative models for how cities deal with the contemporary transformations.

Detailed program

The course provides an overview of the main analyzes and interpretations relating to urban policy. The theme of the city government is deepened starting from some classic models proposed by urban sociology and political sociology. The city government is further analyzed in relation to demographic, economic, cultural and political conditions that are investing contemporary cities in the last few decades. Among the issues on which the course is concentrated in a specific way: the way in which decisions are made about the city; the mechanisms by which are

built government coalitions; urban policy strategies to address the current challenges of growth and sustainability; the competition between cities to attract resources; the relationship between urban governance and government of territorial systems of different scale.

Prerequisites

Students in the course must have a knowledge of the main sociological theories, and in particular those relating to urban sociology. They are also required basic methodological skills.

Teaching methods

Teaching lessons and research.

Assessment methods

Oral exam aimed at verifying the adequate acquisition of course contents and the ability to use concepts in the analysis of urban processes.

Covid19 emergency: June, July and September exams will be oral, via Webex platform.

Textbooks and Reading Materials

Attending students:

A bibliography will be suggested at the beginning of the course.

Non attending students:

a) *Mandatory for everyone*

- Semi, G. (2015). *Gentrification. Tutte le città come Disneyland?* Bologna: Il Mulino.

b) Choose one among the following:

- Andreotti A. (a cura di), *Governare Milano nel nuovo millennio*, Bologna, Il Mulino, 2019.

- Belligni S. e Ravazzi S., *La politica e la città. Regime urbano e classe dirigente a Torino*, Bologna, Il Mulino, 2012.

- Tosi S., *Cultural stadi. Calcio, città, consumi e politiche*, Milano, Ledizioni, 2018.

