UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

Urban Policies

2223-2-F8802N014

Learning objectives

The course aims to address the topic with attention to transformations that have taken place in the cities and metropolises and to the policies implemented to manage the change.
Particular attention is paid to the analysis of the socio-spatial processes underlying the formation of urban systems, to the role played by mobility and flows in the definition of the new urban and metropolitan morphology and to the consequent policies implemented at local and metropolitan government level.

Contents

The first part of the Course focuses on the analysis of socio-spatial processes underlying the transformation of the contemporary city and metropolis form. The second part addresses the issue of policies to govern the new urban morphology. The theme of policies is addressed both with attention to the contents, methods and planning tools and with reference to the new issues put forward by the contemporary debate on sustainable urban development.
The Course deals with the aforementioned topics paying particular attention to methods and data for the analysis of urban and metropolitan socio-territorial processes, making use, for this purpose, of a Laboratory (specifically aimed at transferring skills in the field of secondary data analysis, of the socio-territorial quantitative analysis, of the knowledge and use of data sources and archives and of the use of territorial information systems).

Detailed program

Having 6 macro-themes, an average of 4 lessons for each are expected:

- Strategic planning and the challenge of sustainability
- The principles and mechanisms of urban governance

- Inequalities and urban and metropolitan welfare
- Urban space in transformation: regeneration, redevelopment and public space
- Urban policies for tourism and territorial promotion
- Urban and metropolitan mobility: flows, vehicles and infrastructures

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Prerequisites

None

Teaching methods

The Course makes use of three teaching methods. Lessons, aimed at presenting the main theories on the topics of the Course. Presentations of research findings on the outcomes of socio-spatial processes addressed in the lessons. In-depth seminars with the support of experts.

Assessment methods

Students attending the Course are expected to draft a report on a research topic, addressed in small groups related to the topics covered during the Course. Students, who do not attend the Course, are expected to take a written examination.

Textbooks and Reading Materials

Main Part, chapters included in the following texts:

- Curti F, Gibelli M.C, Pianificazione strategica e gestione dello sviluppo urbano. Editore Alinea, 1996
- Filpa A. Talia M., Fondamenti di governo del territorio. Carocci, Roma, 2021.
- Le Galès P., Le città europee: società urbane, globalizzazione, governo locale, Il Mulino, Bologna, 2005
- Mela A., Sociologia delle città. Carocci editore, Roma, 2016
- Vicari Haddock S. (a cura di), Questioni urbane. Il Mulino, Bologna, 2013
- Vicari Haddock, S. e Moulaert, F., Rigenerare la città. Il Mulino, Bologna, 2009.

Special Part, chapters included in the following texts:

- Colleoni M., Mobilità e trasformazioni urbane. La morfologia della metropoli contemporanea. Franco Angeli, Milano, 2019
- Pucci P. e Colleoni M. (a cura di), Understanding mobilities for designing contemporary cities. Springer, 2016

- Urry J., Mobilities. Polity Press, Cambridge, 2007
- Jensen O.B., Freudendal-Pedersen M., Lassen C., Kaufman V. & Gøtzsche Lange I.S. (a cura di), Handbook of Urban Mobilities. Routledge, London, 2021

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