



UNIVERSITÀ  
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

## SYLLABUS DEL CORSO

### Sociologia Urbana

2425-2-E4001N080

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#### Learning objectives

To provide the students with the basic conceptual and analytical instruments for developing reflections on the city.

#### Contents

The course is oriented to deal with the following issues:

- birth and development of the urban sociology in Italy and in the world,
- the traditional and more recent research themes in urban sociology,
- quantitative and qualitative research methods in urban sociology.

#### Detailed program

##### First part: urban sociology

- The sociological analysis of the city
- The evolution of the urban phenomena
- Economy and urban society
- City conflicts and government

- Urban policies
- The city and the culture
- Urban space and environment
- Spatial sociology

### **Second part: urban research methods**

- The ecological analysis and the survey
- The qualitative approach
- Urban sociology topics: objective and subjective indicators
- Flânerie as a strategy for urban explorations
- The analysis of “third places”

### **Prerequisites**

Knowledge of the Italian language, critical analysis skills, knowledge of basic methodology.

### **Teaching methods**

Course of 56 Hours

Teaching Provision (DE) - face-to-face lectures with use of slides, audio and video - 75%

Interactive Didactics (DI) - exercises, subgroup work, presentation of case studies from which to develop individual and subgroup work, prepared and discussed during the course - 25%

### **Assessment methods**

Exercises and presentations in classroom

Written examination in presence

Additional facultative oral exam is provided

### **Textbooks and Reading Materials**

Required books:

Mela, A., *Sociologia delle città*, Carocci, Roma, (2006)

Nuvolati, G. e d'Ovidio, M., (a cura di), *Temi e metodi per la sociologia del territorio*, UTET, Torino (2022)  
(Introduction, conclusions and 3 chapters chosen by the student)

and one of these books:

Nuvolati, G., *L'interpretazione della città. Flânerie come esperienza di vita*, Firenze University Press, Firenze (2013)

Nuvolati, G., *Un caffè tra amici. Un whiskey con lo sconosciuto*, Moretti e Vitali, Bergamo (2016)

Nuvolati, G., *Interstizi della città. Rifugi del vivere quotidiano*, Moretti e Vitali, Bergamo (2019)

\*INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS. A reading list in English will be provided upon request. An English exam will be allowed as well.

## **Sustainable Development Goals**

SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES

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