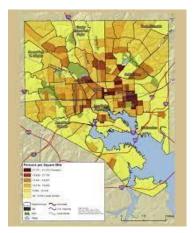
POLI 443: Urban Problems and Policy







Description of the Topic

Urban areas are confronting many challenges today. How should our cities and regions grapple with issues around public health, crime, economic development, housing, education, segregation, gentrification, and transportation access and equity?

POLI 443: Urban Problems and Policy Analysis asks you to join me in understanding these issues, how we got here, and where we are going.

This course will feature a mix of discussions (seminar style course), simulations (Fun activities where you get to experience first-hand how to address these issues from different perspectives), and guest lectures from those in the community grappling with these challenges.

We will ask ourselves:

- How did our urban areas become so segregated?
- What policy solutions are best?
- How should we evaluate the responses by governments and on what outcomes?
- What are the roles of different levels of government in addressing these problems?

Semester: Fall, 2022

Days and Times

• Wednesday, 4:30-7:00 PM

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Sample of Previous Guest Speakers in Prof Stokan Classes:

Steven M. Bieda, Former State Representative and State Senator of Michigan

John Bullock, Ph.D. Baltimore City Councilmember

Meredith Cohn, Baltimore Sun Reporter

Brett Theodos, Ph.D., Senior Fellow, Urban Institute

Jeff Finkle, President of the International Economic Development Council

Nick Hart, Ph.D. President of the DataFoundation

Marie Johns, CEO of PPC-Leftwich

Nicole Turner-Lee, Ph.D., Senior Fellow and Director Center for Technology Innovation at Brookings Institute

Bill Wells, Senior Vice President for Business Strategy at the Housing Authority of Baltimore City

Fall 2022 Speakers: TBD

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