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CRP 534 Housing Policies

Course Syllabus

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Introduction:

Demographic development and its impact on housing; with housing structure; housing policies housing needs; cost of housing. Private as well as public financing and subsidizing of housing, market institutions and public authorities dealing with housing, housing strategies and programs: housing distribution and location on local, regional, and national level scales; problems of housing for special groups. Some emphasis will be given to the role of the housing function with societies and urbanized regions; the standard requirements; residential land use patterns, locational characteristics and determinants of residential land use. Finally, some emphasis is given to the role of housing in the Muslim society.

Course Objectives:

To teach graduate students the different theories and policies of housing. Application of these theories and policies is essential part of this course. Integrating theories with the practical world through precedents from different urban societies will allow the students to understand housing and its contribution to urban planning.

Textbook:

A bulk of prepared reading list of articles will be the core text support for this course. Any extra readings will be announced during the course.

Evaluation:

Final project	20%
Mid-term Exam	20%
Final Exam	40%
Attendance	10%

Class participation 10%

Final Project:

Students will select any housing problem and will develop a research or project to solve it. The scale of this problem should be within the scope of being solved during this semester. The use of computing to help in solving such problems will be highly encouraged. Project work is expected to start from the second or third week of the semester and will progress parallel to the lecture sessions.

Course Outline:

Week 1: Introduction and definition

Week 2: Demographic development

Abrams, pp. 1-11

Week 3: Background of public policies

Abrams, pp. 114-126

Week 4: Obstacles to progress in housing

Abrams, pp. 51-61

Week 5: Principles for housing

Turner, pp. 108-111

Week 6: The value of housing

Turner, pp. 53-76

Week 7: Mid-term Review of Projects

Week 8: Factors influencing housing policies

Abrams, pp. 25-39 , 267-278

Grimes, pp. 30-39

Turner, pp. 77-87

Week 9: Housing policy options

Grimes, pp. 91-109

Week 10: Proposals for housing policies

Abrams, pp. 127-141

Week 11: Housing as industry

Week 12: Low income housing

Goodman, p.68

Payne, p. 36

Week 13: Affordable housing

Week 14: Final projects review and presentation

Week 15: Review

Week 10: Urban Characteristics

G. B. Urhahn & M. Bobic "A Pattern Image: A Typological Tool For Quality in Urban Planning" Thoth Publishers, 1994, pp. 10-27.

Week 11: Solid & Void in Urban Structure

Week 12: Streets & Accessibility in Urban Spaces

Week 13: Emerging Theories on Urban Form & Design

Week 14: Final projects review and presentation

Week 15: Review