

University of California at Irvine
School of Social Ecology
U203, Planning Theory, Winter Quarter 2013

Time: Monday, 12:30 to 3:20pm

Location: MPAA 330

Office Hrs and Location: 11:30 to 12:30, TBA

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As a discipline, urban planning is as old as the earliest human civilizations. The Mesopotamians, Egyptians and the city states of the Indus Valley all practiced some type of land use regulation. Though often concerned with land use, planning's ambit today includes housing, economic and community development, transportation and environmental policy. In many instances, the problems addressed by planners cut across several of these sub-disciplines and cannot be addressed by any one public or private agency. Planning's wide scope of practice requires that its practitioners acquire some familiarity with a number of theoretical perspectives from various academic disciplines.

This course will provide an introduction to various ideas, concepts and methodologies that undergird the practice of planning. The class will provide an overview of historical and international approaches to city planning, a review of the intellectual foundations of planning theory, the impact of the tension between the market and the state on planning, critiques of planning theory, an overview of traditional land-use planning theories, and a review of alternative approaches to 'top-down' planning. Additionally, the course includes a discussion of the relationship between demography, public health and planning (these topics, though essential for understanding the relationship between people and the built environment, are often left out of the planning conversation).

Expectations and Class Format

As this is a graduate level course covering a complex topic, students are expected to complete the assigned readings for each class prior to the lecture and come prepared to demonstrate, discuss and defend their perspectives. This will also make the class more fun!

The class format will include didactic presentations by the instructor, presentation of the readings and a case study that illustrates the week's readings by students, and group discussion of the readings and concepts presented in lecture. Occasionally, the class may be split up into two or more groups, each tasked with arguing a particular planning perspective.

Evaluation

The final grade will be determined by attendance and class participation, as measured through completion of in-class assignments (10%), student presentations (20%), one midterm (30%), and a comprehensive final exam (40%). The mid-term and final exam will be open book and open note and administered online through eee. The midterm will be posted online by the end of the 5th week (2/8/12) and remain open through the weekend. The final exam will be posted by Monday, March 18th (1:30 pm) and remain open for the 3 days till Thursday (3/18), 5pm. You can take the exams at a time suitable for you when they are open (though you will only be allowed one attempt to complete the exams).

Students Presentations

As planning is explicitly concerned with the built environment, students will be required to discuss the application of a particular idea or concept to a 'real world' planning issue. In addition to providing a presentation on each week's readings, students will discuss how the reading(s) apply to a planning related issue (i.e. a case study). The presentation on the readings and presentations should not exceed 40 minutes (20-25 minutes for the readings, 10-15 minutes for the case study). Another 10 minutes will be allotted for questions.

CLASS TOPICS, SCHEDULE AND READINGS

Note** All readings will be available online through eee. Deletions or additions may be made to the reading list as the quarter progresses.

Week 1: Course Overview, City Planning: A Global and Historical Context

Smith, M (2007) Form and Meaning in the Earliest Cities: A New Approach to Ancient Urban Planning. *Journal of Planning History*, 6(1): 3- 41

Costa, F (1977) The Evolution of Planning Styles and Planned Change: The example of Rome, *Journal of Urban History*, 3(3): 263-297

Hein, C (2010). Shaping Tokyo: Land Development and Planning Practice in the Early Modern Japanese Metropolis. *Journal of Urban History*, 36(4):447-484

Week 2: Theory-Practice and the Planning Ambit

Friedmann, J (2008) The Uses of planning theory: a bibliographic essay, *Journal of Planning Education and Research*, 28: 247-257

Binder, G (2012). Theory(izing)/practice: The model of recursive cultural adaptation. *Planning Theory*, 11(3):221-241

Maslow AH (1943). A Theory of Human Motivation. *Psychological Review* 50: 318-345

Week 3: Intellectual Foundations: Rational Planning, Neoliberalism and Comprehensive Planning

Banfield, E (1959) Ends and Means in Planning, *International Social Science*, 11(3): 1-8

Jackson, B (2012). At the origins of Neo-liberalism: the free economy and the strong state, 1930-1947. *The Historical Journal* , 53(1): 129-151

Freestone, R (2011). Reconciling Beauty and Utility in Early City Planning: The contribution of John Nolen. *Journal of Urban History*, 37(2): 256-277

Week 4: Intellectual Foundations: Constructing Alterity

Wilton R (1998). The constitution of difference: space and psyche in landscapes of exclusion. *Geoforum*, 29(2): 173-185

Lott B (2002). Cognitive and behavioral distancing from the poor. *American Psychologist*, 100-110

Jost J and Hunyady O (2005). Antecedents and Consequences of system justifying ideologies. *Current Directions in Psychological Science* 14(5): 260-64

Nguyen M, Basolo V and Tiwari A (2012). Opposition to Affordable Housing in the USA: Debate Framing and the Responses of Local Actors. *Housing Theory and Society*, DOI:10.1080/14036096.2012.667833

Week 5: Antipodes? Markets and the State

Marcuse, P (2001). The Liberal/Conservative divide in the History of Housing Policy in the United States. 16(6): 717-736

Connor M(2012). Public Benefits from Public Choice: Producing Decentralization in Metropolitan Los Angeles, 1954-1973 *Journal of Urban History*, 39(1): 79 -100

Forsyth, A (2002) Who built Irvine? Private Planning and the Federal Government. *Urban Studies* 39(13): 2507-2530

Martin J and Jacobson J (2008) A County and its cities: The impact of Hennepin community works. *Journal of Urban Affairs*, 30(3): 309- 323

Week 6: Critiques

Flyvbjerg B and Richardson T (2002) Planning and Foucault: In search of the dark side of planning theory. *Planning Futures: New Directions for Planning Theory*. Routledge, New York (pp 44-62)

Baptista, I (2012) How Portugal became an Unplanned Country: A critique of scholarship. *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research*, 36(5): 1076-1092

Nijman J (2010) A Study of space in Mumbai's Slums. *Journal of Economic and Social Geography*. 101(1): 4-17

Lake, R (1993). Rethinking NIMBY. *JAPA*, 59(1): 87-94

Week 7: Planning Modes and Practice: Demography

Malthus, T " An Essay on the Principle of Population as it affects the future improvement of society"
New Brunswick Transaction Publishers

Demeny, P (2003). Population Policy Dilemmas in Europe at the Dawn of the 21st Century. *Population and Development Review*, 29(1):1-28

Ahlburg, D (1998) Julian Simon and the Population Growth Debate, *Population and Development Review*, 24(2): 317-327

Week 8: Planning Modes and Practice: Land Use and Comprehensive Planning

Haar, CM (2009) The Master Plan, an impermanent constitution. The Urban and regional planning reader. Editor, Eugenie Birch, pp 140-147

Halleux JM, Marcinczak S and Krabben E (2010) The adaptive efficiency of land use planning measured by the control of urban sprawl. The cases of Netherlands, Belgium and Poland. *Land Use Policy*, 29:887-898

Cabanillas FJ, Aliseda JM, Gallego, JA, and Jeong JS (2013) Comparison of regional planning strategies: countywide general plans in USA and territorial plans in Spain. *Land Use Policy*, 30: 758-773

Week 9: Planning Modes and Practice: Collaborative & community based planning

Umemoto, K. and H. Igarashi. 2009. Deliberative Planning in a Multicultural Milieu. *Journal of Planning Education and Research*, 29(1): 39-53.

Dorius, N (2009) Understanding change in poor communities: what is it and how will we know when it happens. *Journal of Urban Affairs*, 31(1): 97-109

Meth, P. 2010. Unsettling Insurgency: Reflections on Women's Insurgent Practices in South Africa. *Planning Theory and Practice*, 11(2): 241-263.

Week 10: Planning and Public Health

Rydin T, Bleahu A et al (2012). Shaping Cities for health: complexity and the planning of urban environments in the 21st century. 379: 2079-2108

(2002) Land use planning: Why public health must be involved. *Journal of Law, Medicine and Ethics*, 30(3)70-74