

COURSE DISCRIPTION

1. GENERAL

SCHOOL	ENVIRONMENT, GEOGRAPHY AND APPLIED ECONOMICS		
DEPARTMENT	GEOGRAPHY		
LEVEL OF COURSE	Undergraduate		
COURSE CODE	GEO167	SEMESTER	2
COURSE TITLE	SOCIAL GEOGRAPHY		
STRUCTURE OF TEACHING ACTIVITIES		TEACHING HOURS PER WEEK	NUMBER OF CREDITS ALLOCATED (ECTS)
Lectures and Laboratory Classes		3	5
TYPE OF COURSE	Compulsory		
PREREQUISITES	-		
LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION	GREEK		
COURSE OFFERED TO ERASMUS STUDENTS (URL)	YES (in English if required)		

2. EXPECTED LEARNING OUTCOMES

Learning outcomes
<p>Students having completed this course should be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Locate the role and function of social divisions in today's cities and the way they interrelate with spatial inequalities • Recognise the fundamental economic, political and social processes determining the social space of cities and its changing dynamic • Recognise the particular social and spatial characteristics of urbanisation processes in Greece, part of the South European urbanisation model and in contrast with the model of the industrial city of Western/Northern Europe and the US
General aptitudes
<p>Information synthesis Essay assignment Critical thinking Use of bibliography and electronic information resources</p>

3. COURSE CONTENTS

The course aims at familiarising students with social, political and cultural processes in modern cities during the last decades of the 20th and the beginning of the 21st century, i.e. in an era of deindustrialisation and economic restructuring for the economically developed regions of the world. Emphasis is given in describing the trends and their explanations as well as the debates that the latter have induced. Patterns of urbanisation, sprawl and urban regeneration in relation with social and demographic changes as well as with changing patterns of social and ethnic segregation are at center stage. An important part of the course is devoted to contextualising these processes in Greek cities.

4. TEACHING AND ASSESSMENT METHODS

TYPE OF LECTURES	In class lectures	
ICT USE	ICT use, Internet use and e-class	
TEACHING STRUCTURE	Activity	Hours per semester
	Lectures	36
	Weekly study	24
	Essay	35
	Preparation for final exams	30
	TOTAL	125
ASSESSMENT METHODS	Assessment Language: Greek Assessment : Final written exams Semester essay	

5. RECOMMENDED READING

Knox P., Pinch S. (2009) *Urban social geography*, Athens, Savalas
 Hall T. (2006) *Urban geography*, Athens, Kritiki
 Maloutas T. (2018) *The social geography of Athens. Social groups and built environment in a South European metropolis*, Athens, Alexandria
 Maloutas T. (2000) *The social and economic atlas of Greece. The cities*, Athens-Volos, EKKE-University Press of Thessaly