University of Milan Bicocca
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Urbeur - Urban Studies Ph.D
2019-2020 Programme

4 main thematic areas:

Methodology in Urban Studies:
coordinated by Prof. Marianna d’Ovidio

Cities and Territories: Normative, Policy and Political Issues:
coordinated by Prof. Lavinia Bifulco

City and Economy:
coordinated by Prof. Alberta Andreotti

City and Culture:
coordinated by Prof. Fabio Quassoli
Thematic area: Cities and Territories: Normative, Policy and Political Issues

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Section 1. Urban Policies
Valeria Fedele

Section 2. Financialization of Urban Welfare
Lavinia Bifulco

Section 3. Mobility and Urban Change
Matteo Colleoni (matteo.colleoni@unimib.it)

Schedule/Timing: December and January 2019 e 2020. Day: Tuesday or Thursday 10:00-12:00 (90 minutes: presentation and 30 minutes: discussion)

Lectures:
3A. Mobility and accessibility to urban attractiveness
Matteo Colleoni, Mario Boffi and Chiara Vitrano (University of Milan Bicocca)
3B. Putting Territory to the Test of Reversibility
Vincent Kaufmann (Laboratoire de Sociologie Urbaine, Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Switzerland)
3C. Multi-localism: concepts, forms and implications for the European late modernity
Cédric-Duchene Lacroix (University of Basel, Switzerland)
3D. Mobility and multi-local lifestyles of migrants
Lenka Formankova (Institute of Sociology of the Czech Academy of Sciences, Czech Republic)

Section 4. Housing
Silvia Mugnano (silvia.mugnano@unimib.it)

Schedule/Timing: November 2019/ Feb/March 2020

Lectures:
4A. BOOKCITY book presentation UNIMIB-POLIMI on recent publication on housing issues
4B. Introduction to housing issues (Silvia Mugnano)
4C. The financialization of housing (Emanuele Belotti/Sonia Arbaci)
4D. The model ‘Housing Sociale’ (Teresio Poggio)
4E. Housing and neighbourhood trajectories (Kleinhans)
4F. Housing and financial crisis in Spain (Pareja Eastaway)

Section 5. Urban Policies and Social Mix
Sonia Arbaci

Section 6. Environmental Justice in Time of Scarcity
Marco Grasso (marco.grasso@unimib.it)

Section 7. Environmental Issues and Transitions to Sustainability
Laura Centemeri

Section 8. The Territorial Dimension of Social Policies
Kazepov Yuri

Section 9. The Foundational Economy for the City
Angelo Salento, Karel Williams

Section 10. City Square, Protest and Violence. Transformative Civic Agency and its Outcomes in the Urban Space
Simone Tosi, Tanja Sekulic (tanja.sekulic@unimib.it, simone.tosi@unimib.it)
Schedule/Timing
April 2020. Three/Four seminars (9-12 hours)

Lectures:
10 A. Transformative civic agency and its outcomes in the urban space. 
   Introduction: Tatjana Sekulić and Simone Tosi
10 B. Spatialized Social Inequalities and Urban Collective Action (Margit Mayer, Freie Universität Berlin)
10 C. Populism as a counter-revolution? (Carlo Ruzza, University of Trento)
   In addition – to be confirmed:
10 D. Case study: Taxim and Gezi Park, Turkey (Gülçin Erdi Lelandais, University of Tours)

Thematic area: City and Economy
Coordinator: Alberta Andreotti (alberta.andreotti@unimi.it)

Section 1. Issues in urban and regional economics
Tomaso Pompili tomaso.pompili@unimib.it

Schedule/Timing 12 hours
Lectures:
1A. Urban economics I: Accessibility
1B. Urban economics II: Agglomeration
1C. Regional economics I: Hierarchy
1D. Regional economics II: Competitiveness

Section 2. Social Networks, Social capital and Local development
Alberta Andreotti (alberta.andreotti@unimi.it)

2A. How to measure social networks and social capital in urban analysis (Alberta Andreotti)
2B. Sharing economy and the city (Ivana Pais)
2C. Global production networks and regional development (Lidia Greco)
2D. Market, reciprocity and the relationship with the State: Some reflections on the informal economy starting from urban case studies fulfilled in the Global North and the South (Diego Coletto)
Thematic area: Methodology in Urban Studies
Coordinator: Marianna d’Ovidio (marianna.dovidio@gmail.com)

Section A1. Social Research Design
Maurizio Pisati, Università Milano-Bicocca

Schedule/Timing: 8 seminars, 16 hours
Lectures:
Science and scientific research
Research problem and questions
The conceptual framework
Literature review
Unit of analysis, population and sample
Quantitative design
Qualitative design
Other design

Section A2. Researching the urban: a practical guide
Topic, audience, positioning in the field (A. Pratt) – Early December
From theory to research (I) (G. Anselmi) – January
From theory to research (II) (M. d’Ovidio) – February
How to build a comparative research project (S. Vicari) – March
Researching the urban – concluding remarks (E. Mingione) – April

Section B1. Geographic Information System and spatial data
Marianna d’Ovidio, University of Bari

Schedule/Timing
Lectures:
Mapping the human city (M. d’Ovidio)
Spatial data and source (M. de Amicis, I. Frigerio, L. Daconto)
GIS - visualising and analysing spatial data (M. de Amicis, I. Frigerio, L. Daconto)
Open data: downloading and managing open data from Twitter

Section B2. Visual research methods and approaches
Elena Dell’Agnese, University of Milan-Bicocca

Schedule/Timing December 2018
Lectures
E. Dell’Agnese
C. Giubilaro
C. Mutti
V. Anzoise
B3. Ethnography for Urban Studies
Simone Ghezzi, University of Milan-Bicocca

The ethnographic research methods (S. Ghezzi)
Ethnography (F. Quassoli) (D. Coletto) (S. Ghezzi)
Nethnography (A. Caliandro, Middlesex University, London)

Thematic area: City and Culture
Coordinator: Fabio Quassoli (fabio.quassoli@gmail.com)

Section 1. Flânerie and public spaces in contemporary cities

Schedule/Timing
Lectures:
1A. The flâneur in the contemporary city (Giampaolo Nuvolati, Università degli studi di Milano Bicocca)
1B. Walking the city as a geographical practice (Davide Papotti, Università degli studi di Parma)
1C. Rite/right of passage. Walking the city as a narrative performing experience (Lucia Quaquarelli - Université Paris Nanterre)

Section 2. City and cultural change

Lectures:
2A. Creative cities, creative class? (Andy Pratt - City University London) 2B. Exploring everyday urban multiculturalism: encounter and intergroup relations in (super) diverse local context (Roberta Marzorati - University of Milano-Bicocca)
2C. Cultural policies in Milan (Milan Councilor for Cultural Policies)
2D. From social to cultural innovation in the city (Bertram Niessen - cheFare e Marianna d’Ovidio - University of Bari)
2E. Immigration, art and urban spaces (Marco Martiniello University of Liège)

Section 3. Emerging media and space

Lectures:
3A. Recent History of Digitization (Giorgio De Michelis (University of Milano-Bicocca) 3B. Digitization and transformation of space (Giorgio De Michelis University of Milano-Bicocca)
3C. Media, space and social change (Marco Gui - University of Milano-Bicocca)
3D. Future research on media, space and society (Marco Gui - University of Milano-Bicocca and Giorgio De Michelis - University of Milano-Bicocca)