Learning Objectives:

After completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- 1. understand the basic concepts of urbanization;
- 2. develop an understanding of contemporary urban issues;
- 3. comprehend the theories of urban planning; and
- 4. understand levels and trends in urbanization globally and in Pakistan.

Content

1. Introduction to Urbanization and Urban Sociology

- 1.1.Definitions and significance
- 1.2. Global Trends of Urbanization
- 1.3. Brief History and Factors of urbanization
- 1.4.Impact of urbanization on Developed and Developing countries
- 1.5. SDGs on City

2. Urban Population Growth and its components

3. Changing Forms of Urbanization

- 3.1. Suburbs and Suburbanization
- 3.2. Exurbs and Exurbanization
- 3.5. Metropolitan Cities
- 3.6. Multi-centered Metropolitan Region

4. Important Urban Concerns

- 4.1. Urban Slums
- 4.2. Housing and Homelessness
- 4.3. Crime and Violence
- 4.4. Education
- 4.5. Health
- 4.6. Traffic
- 4.7. Urban Sprawl

6. Urban Planning and Design

- 6.1. Urban Decay, Urban Renewal, and Gentrification
- 6.2. Sustainable Urbanization
- 6.3. Theories of urban planning: Smart Growth and New Urbanism

7. Urbanization in Pakistan

7.1. Trends and Growth

- 7.2. Major Issues/ Problems and their impact
- 7.3. Government Policies, Proposed Solutions and New Policies

Teaching-Learning Strategies:

Teaching will be a combination of class lectures, class discussions, and group work. Short videos/films will be shown on occasion.

Sessional Work:

The sessional work will be a combination of written assignments, class quizzes, presentations, and class participation/attendance.

Assessments and Examination:

Sr. No.	Elements	Weightage	Details
1.	Midterm Assessment	35%	It is a written examination that takes place at the mid-point of the semester.
2.	Formative Assessment	25%	It is a continuous assessment. It includes variety of activities mentioned above.
3.	Final Assessment	40%	It is a written examination that takes place at the end of the semester.

Recommended Reading:

- 1. Korver-Glenn, E., Dantzler, P., & Howell, J. (2021). A critical intervention for urban sociology.
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