

**Institute of Social & Cultural Studies
Faculty of Behavioral & Social Sciences
University of the Punjab, Lahore
Course Outline**



Programme	BS Demography	Course Code	DEM209	Credit Hours	3
Course Title	Urbanization				

Course Objectives:

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

- i. understand the basic concepts of urbanization;
- ii. develop an understanding of contemporary urban issues;
- iii. comprehend the theories of urban planning; and
- iv. understand levels and trends in urbanization globally and in Pakistan.

Content

1. Introduction to Urbanization
 - 1.1. Definition
 - 1.2. Global Trends of Urbanization
 - 1.3. Brief History and Factors of urbanization
 - 1.4. Impact of urbanization on Developed and Developing countries
2. Urban Population Growth and its components
3. Changing Forms of Urbanization
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

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:

Sessional Work: 25 marks

Midterm Exam: 35 marks

Final Exam: 40 marks

Recommended Reading:

1. Smith, D. O. (2019). *Third world cities in global perspective: the political economy of uneven urbanization*. Routledge.
2. Timberlake, M. (2017). The world-system perspective and urbanization. In *The Globalizing Cities Reader* (pp. 77-82). Routledge.
3. Levy, J. M. (2016). *Contemporary urban planning*. Taylor & Francis.
4. Wu, F. (2015). *Planning for growth: Urban and regional planning in China*. Routledge.
5. Gottdiener, M., and Leslie Budd (2005). *Urban Studies: Key Concepts*. London: Sage Publications.
6. Parker, Simon (2004). *Urban Theory and the Urban Experience: Encountering the City*.

London: Routledge.
7. Castells, Manuel (1979). *The Urban Question: A Marxist Approach*. Great Britain: Edward Arnold.
8. Allen, John, Doreen Massey and Michael Pryke (1999). *Understanding Cities: Unsettling Cities*. London: The Open University.