

URBP 656. URBAN INNOVATION AND CREATIVITY.

Credits: 3

Offered by: Urban Planning (Graduate Studies)

This course is not offered this catalogue year.

Description

Exploration of contemporary debates on creativity and innovation as inherently urban phenomena linked to interactions and 'buzz' that occur in urban contexts; discussion of policy impacts including how urban and metropolitan growth is premised upon the capacity to enhance creativity and innovation. Examination of what is meant by creativity and innovation, how they can be connected, and why they are seen as vital to economic development. Arguments for and critiques of 'creative cities' and 'innovative urban areas'. Creative class, geography of innovation, culture and urban development, metropolitan creative-city policies, geographic paradoxes that arise.

- Restriction(s): Not open to students who have taken URBP 618 in Winter 2014 (when topic was "Creative Cities: Creativity, Innovation and Urban Agglomerations").

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