

CRP 212 - City in History II

Department: City and Regional Planning	Course code: 1210212
METU Credit: 3 (3-0)	ECTS Credit: 5.0
Language of instruction: English	Level of study: Undergraduate
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Course objectives and evaluation:

The course aims to provide students the ability to combine urbanisation process with specific social, cultural, economic and political conditions that change in the course of time. The extent of the lectures is temporarily limited with the period started with the urbanisation in Roman Empire (27BC) and terminated with the contemporary city. As its spatial extent, although at different occasions references about urbanisation process in Anatolia will be provided, the course is mainly focused on the European geography.

The course has one mid-term exam (35%) mostly based on open ended, discussion questions which test students' understanding of the course, relational analysis and critical thinking capacity. The final evaluation of the course requires submission of a research poster (group work) based on the synthesis of the course content with the weekly arranged screenings and provided literature (10%, 10%, 20%). Students will submit a "draft research poster" prior to final submission and this will be graded as well (10%).

Attendance is compulsory for this course. Students are "free" to intervene to the narration of the course as their participation to discussions is strongly recommended and graded accordingly (15%).

Course Program (spring 2015):

21 February	Introduction to the course
28 February	Introduction to history- Greek city / Roman City
7 March	Middle Ages I - Evolution of human thought (Assoc.Prof.Dr. Argun Evyapan)
14 March	Middle Ages II
21 March	Renaissance and Baroque I
28 March	Renaissance and Baroque II
4 April	Preindustrial City and modernisation I
11 April	Preindustrial City and modernisation II – catch-up week
18 April	Mid-term examination (35%)
25 April	Urban Problems – Utopias and Planning
2 May	Seljuk – Islamic - Ottoman Cities (Prof. Dr. Burcu Erciyas)
9 May	Modern city II – Urban Condition in the Early Republican Era
16 May	Contemporary city I – Submission of the draft research poster (20%)
23 May	Contemporary city II

To be announced later **Submission of the Research Poster (35%)**

Research Poster presentation:

Students are expected to form groups of three and analyse the relevant screening in relation with the course content and given references. Instructors will provide preliminary comments to the

groups after the submission of the draft research poster. The poster will be at A0 paper size (841 x 1189 mm) and will provide both visual and written materials about the subject.

Screenings:

Roman Era ... Agora (2009) Director: Alejandro Amenábar
Roman Era ... Gladiator (2000) Director: Ridley Scott
Middle Ages ... The Name of the Rose (1986) Director: Jean-Jacques Annaud
Middle Ages ... Joan of Arc (1999) Director: Luc Besson
Renaissance ... Dangerous Beauty (1998) Director: Marshall Herskovitz
Early Industrial Period ... Les Misérables (2012) Director: Tom Hooper
Early Industrial Period ... Oliver Twist (2005) Director: Roman Polanski
Early Industrial Period ... Perfume (2006) Director: Tom Tykwer
Industrial Period ... Modern Times (1936) Director: Charles Chaplin
Early modernity ... The Grapes of Wrath (1940) Director: John Ford
Early modernity ... Citizen Kane (1941) Director: Orson Wells
Modernity ... Good Bye Lenin (2003) Director: Wolfgang Becker
Late Modernity ... Blade Runner (1982) Director: Ridley Scott

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