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| Course title: Theories of Urbanization | | | | |
| Course code: MEU 161 | | No. of credits: 3 | L-T-P: 32-10-0 | Learning hours: 42 |
| Pre-requisite course code and title (if any): none | | | | |
| | | | Department: Department of Policy Studies | |
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| Course type: Compulsory | | | Course offered in: Semester 1 | |
| Course description: The course is designed to provide an understanding of the social, spatial and economic phenomena that represent the foundation of urban development and change. It covers various theories which explain the urbanization process, formation of cities, city systems, city structures and relationships among the various entities within them. The course is structured under four modules. Module 1 sets the over view of urbanization process. Module 2 covers the concepts of urban economics. Module 3 focuses on the spatial organization of cities. Module 4 is devoted urban socio demographic theories. | | | | |
| Course objectives: | | | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide an understanding of the basic spatial, social, demographic and economic concepts underlying the origin and development of cities To help students understand the various theories which explain the urbanization process and spatial organization of urban centres | | | | |
| Course contents | | | | |
| Module | Topic | L | T | P |
| 1 | Module 1: Over view of Urbanization Process a) Concept and process of urbanization b) Historical perspectives on urbanization c) Emerging trends and issues in urbanization | 6 | 2 | |
| 2 | Module 2: Concepts of Urban Economics a) Agglomeration economies and scale economies b) Economic base theory c) Land use, density gradients and land rent | 8 | 2 | |
| 3 | Module 3: Spatial Organization of Cities a) Spatial organization of cities, their growth and typologies b) Primate city and rank size distribution c) Central place theory and urban hierarchy d) Growth centres and growth poles | 10 | 3 | |
| 4 | Module 4: Urban Socio-Demographic Theories a) Demographic transition theory b) Migration theory c) Internal structure of cities: concentric zone, sector and multiple nuclei models | 8 | 3 | |
| | Total | 32 | 10 | 0 |
| Evaluation criteria: | | | | |
| | Weightage (%) | | | |
| Minor Test | : | 20% | | |
| Written Assignment | : | 30% | | |
| Final Examination | : | 50% | | |
| Learning outcomes: | | | | |

On successful completion of this course the students will be able to:

1. Have a good understanding of the theories that explain the process of urbanization, urban patterns, structures of cities, various phenomena underlying urban development, and the outcomes of urbanization.
2. The course will provide the contextual framework in which the students will be able to place the leanings from the other courses of the programme.

Pedagogical approach:

The pedagogy approach will consist of classroom lectures, case studies discussion and assignments.

Materials:

Books

1. Beall, Jo and Fox, Sean, Cities and development. Routledge Perspectives on Development. Routledge, London, 2009
2. Birch Eugenie L. and Susan M. Wachter Global Urbanization (The City in the Twenty-First Century), University of Pennsylvania Press, 2011
3. Henderson J. Vernon and Jacques-Francois Thisse (editors), Handbook of Regional and Urban Economics. Elsevier, North-Holland, 2004.
4. Knox Paul and Linda M. McCarthy Urbanization: An Introduction to Urban Geography (Third Edition), Prentice Hall, 2012
5. Mayer, Harold M. and Clyde F. Kohn, eds. Readings in Urban Geography. University of Chicago Press, Chicago, 1959
6. Mills Edwin S. and Charles M. Becker, Studies in Indian Urban Development, Oxford University Press, New York, 1986
7. O'Sullivan Arthur, Urban Economics, Eighth Edition, McGraw Hill, 2012
8. Ramachandran, R. Urbanization and Urban Systems in India. Oxford University Press, New Delhi, 1989
9. The Rockefeller Foundation, Century of the City, The Rockefeller Foundation, New York, 2008

In addition, a number of published Research Papers and Reports of agencies such as UN-HABITAT will be referred to during the course.

Additional information (if any):NA

Student responsibilities:

Attendance, feedback, discipline: as per university rules.

Course reviewers:

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