

Degree	Type	Year
Geography, Environmental Management and Spatial Planning	FB	1

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Prerequisites

None requirements neither previous skills/knowledge required.

Objectives and Contextualisation

Main goals are referred to three main aspects defining the urbanization process and the territorial transformations that such a process has produced both historically and at the present moment:

- Description, explanation and analysis of the urbanization process considering different historical moments and also paying attention to the situation nowadays.
- General explanation of the relationships between the urbanization process and the different kind of territorial transformation. Different type of information based on economic, technological, political, social and cultural aspects are proposed.
- Introduction to the main process of territorial change in regard with the city and the urban/metropolitan spaces at the present moment, specially considering the results and consequences of these dynamics of territorial change globally.

Learning Outcomes

1. CM01 (Competence) Propose problems and possible solutions based on the analysis of the concept of the city, as a spatial synthesis resulting from the evolution of the demographic, economic, environmental, cultural and political dynamics of contemporary societies.
2. KM02 (Knowledge) Use the main concepts related to the territory and its problems.
3. SM02 (Skill) Examine environmental, demographic, urban, and/or landscape elements in a specific study, including an interpretation of the data and results obtained.
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Content

- The transformation of territory: different spatial dynamics and the process of urbanization.
- The concept of 'Anthropocene': the consequences of territorial transformations resulting from the anthropization of the environment and the urbanization process and the globalization of society and economy.
- The process of urbanization: main definitions and historical overview in regard with the spatial change associated to the urban growth and expansion (three different historical moments).
- The mechanisms defining the process of urbanization and the transformation of territory.
- From the 'urbanization' to the 'metropolization': the regional dispersed urbanization.
- The future of urbanization: main risks and challenges of the urbanization process transforming territory.

Activities and Methodology

Title	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
Type: Directed			
Field trips (PCAM)	8	0.32	
Lectures	23	0.92	
Practical exercises (PAUL)	17	0.68	
Type: Supervised			
Preparing essays, discussions and presentations	25	1	
Type: Autonomous			
Preparing exercises and practical essays	20	0.8	
Reading journals articles and books	30	1.2	
Study in regard with the written exam	25	1	

- Lectures.
- Presentation and discussion of audiivisual materials (documentaries and films).

- Reading books and journal academic articles.
- Discussions on basic issues in regard with the materia.
- Practical exercicis and essays.
- Fieldtrips.

The Faculty's Field Trip Protocol will be applied on field trips. Students will have access to specific documentation on safety in activities carried out outside the UAB campus, which they must know and accept.

Annotation: Within the schedule set by the centre or degree programme, 15 minutes of one class will be reserved for students to evaluate their lecturers and their courses or modules through questionnaires.

Assessment

Continous Assessment Activities

Title	Weighting	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
Course exercises rapport	35%	0	0	KM02
Essay based on the analysis of a study case illustrating different territorial transformations	20%	0	0	CM01, SM02
In-class participation	10%	0	0	
Written exam	35%	2	0.08	

Evaluation

Information about the assignments and the written exam:

Assignment 1. Handing an essay on the analysis of different territories transformed.

Assignment 2. Exercises dossier (different exercicis proposed by the professor during the course will be presented configuring one single document).

Exam. Written exam in regard of the course material (basic and complementary bibliography, thematic files provided by the instructor on a weekly basis and digital resources provided during the course).

Important notes:

- Handing assignments 1 and 2 is required before the exam.
- Assistance to a minimum amount of 75% of the tuition sessions will be considered as a positive asset in regard with the final evaluation.
- The written essay (exam) has a very remarkable importance since is devoted to evaluate the performance of the student in regard with the thematic files and the digital resources provided by the instructor and it directly evaluates the knowledge effectively acquired by the student when considering the contents of the course. This is to say, a minimum qualification of '5' will be required in regard with succesfully pass the materia.

About the exercises:

The practical part of the subject is organized in the form of a series of practical exercises that will be carried out in

The operation of this part of the subject will be as follows:

- Student groups must be formed during the first week of class. A period of one more week will be considered to

From that moment on, new groups that must be formed due to students not attending class during the first two

This penalty will increase as the weeks go by without the group being formed.

- The practices are designed to be done during class hours. However, and considering possible force majeure pr

Once the next practice has begun, it will no longer be possible to submit the previous practice if it has not been

Therefore, it is not possible to submit practices outside the weekly deadline established for their preparation.

- In order to pass this practical part of the subject, all practices must be s

- The practical exercises of the subject are not recoverable.

Therefore, if the student does not present or fails the practical exercises, this grade will be final and there will be

Evaluation criteria

- Rigor and clarity in regard with the exposition of statements in regard with the concepts and materials considered for the evaluation of the materia.

- Capability for proposing examples directly related with the bibliography of the course and other additional materials proposed by the professor.

- Initiative in regard with completing the materials provided by the professor taking advantage of the own individual research.

Exam Scheduling and Assignment Submission

The dates for exams and assignment submissions will be communicated to students well in advance and may not be modified on an individual basis (except in exceptional and duly justified cases). Erasmus students requesting to take an exam earlier must present the instructor with a written document from their home university justifying the request.

The date of the resit exam will be set by the Faculty of Philosophy and Arts and cannot be changed.

Grade Review

At the time of each assessment activity, the teaching staff will inform students (via Moodle) of the procedure and date for grade review.

Resit

- The resit will consist of an improvement exercise based on the original assessment and built upon the required and extended bibliography, as well as other mandatory course materials covered during the semester.
 - In order to be eligible to submit the resit exercise, students must have previously submitted all required assessment evidence.
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Non-Assessable Students

Students will receive a grade of "Not Assessable" if they have submitted less than 30% of the assessment activities. If a student fails to complete an assessment activity, the grade for that activity will be 0, it will not be eligible for resit, and it will be included in the weighted average.

Plagiarism or Fraudulent Conduct

If a student commits any irregularity that may significantly affect the grade of an assessment activity, that activity will be graded with a 0, regardless of any disciplinary proceedings that may be initiated. If multiple irregularities are detected in the assessment activities of the same course, the final grade for the course will be 0.

"Copying" is defined as submitting a work that reproduces all or a substantial part of another student's work. "Plagiarism" refers to presenting all or part of a text by another author as one's own, without citing the source, whether in print or digital format. See UAB documentation on plagiarism at: http://wuster.uab.es/web_argumenta_obert/unit_20/sot_2_01.html

Use of Artificial Intelligence

In this subject, the use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) technologies is allowed as an integral part of the development of the work, provided that the final result reflects a significant contribution of the student in the analysis and personal reflection. The student must clearly identify which parts have been generated with this technology, specify the tools used and include a critical reflection on how these have influenced the process and the final result of the activity. The lack of transparency in the use of AI will be considered a lack of academic honesty and may lead to a penalty in the grade of the activity, or greater sanctions in serious cases.

Single Assessment

This course does not include the option of a single assessment system.

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Software

Only basic software knowledge is required (word; excel; ppt files or similar).

Groups and Languages

Please note that this information is provisional until 30 November 2025. You can check it through this [link](#). To consult the language you will need to enter the CODE of the subject.

Name	Group	Language	Semester	Turn
(PAUL) Classroom practices	1	Catalan	second semester	morning-mixed
(PCAM) Field practices	11	Catalan	second semester	morning-mixed
(PCAM) Field practices	12	Catalan	second semester	morning-mixed
(TE) Theory	1	Catalan	second semester	morning-mixed