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COURSE DESCRIPTION: A study of the historical rise and development of cities throughout the world. Students will examine factors influencing the growth of cities and the effects of urbanization on life styles and values; they will survey the literature dealing with urban-rural contrasts.

REQUIRED TEXT: Kleniewski, N. (ed) (2005) Cities and Society. Malden, MA: Blackwell Publishing. Other readings will be assigned.

COURSE OUTLINE

Date	Topic	Reading (Chapter)
Sept 14	Introduction	Introduction
16	Political Power in the City	1
21	The Post Modern City	4
23		5
28	Global Cities	6
30	World Cities	7
Oct 5	Ethnic Neighbourhoods	8
7		9
12	Gendered Spaces	3
14	Economic Inequality	19
19	MIDTERM	
21	Urban Sprawl	20
24	video	
28	Rural Urban Fringe	Valentine (2001)
Nov2	Gentrification	13
4	Neighbourhood Redevelopment	15
9	City of Consumption	Crang (1998)
11	Tourism Promotion	14
16		Horne (2001) (2010)
18	Homelessness	11
23		Valentine (2001)
25	Wired City	
30		Birkin (2002)
Dec 2	Conclusions and Review	

EVALUATION

Midterm	20%	Oct 19
Final	30%	set by registrar
Assignment 1	25%	Nov 9
Assignment 2	25%	Nov 23

Assignment 1

Municipal elections will be held on October 25th. Find out all you can about the platforms of the candidates in one ward or in the mayoral/reeve race in Orillia or in the community in which you live. Examine the election results and compare this to the argument presented in chapter one of the textbook. You may use other references as well if you wish. Your report should be 1500 words in length (4-6 pages). Use academic English and ASA style. Further guidance is given in “How to Write an ‘A’ Essay” (attached) Due Nov 9th

Assignment 2

The school is an institution that makes an intriguing social arena. It is designed to sustain the social norms of our society but at the same time it provides opportunities for social change. Based on your experiences, identify how the educational institutions you have attended have shaped your views of society. Find at least three academic sources that support your position. Your report should be 1500 words in length (4-6 pages). Use academic English and ASA style. Further guidance is given in “How to Write an ‘A’ Essay” (attached) Due Nov 23rd

HOW TO WRITE AN “A” ESSAY

Written assignments will be marked using the following guidelines

Introduction

The introduction should clearly point out what your paper is about. It tells the reader what to expect. It should be specific. 10%

Body

This is your opportunity to develop the introduction.

Content. The content must go beyond what can be found in a standard encyclopedia or textbook. 30%

Organization Your essay should flow from beginning to end. There are various ways to organize a paper, e.g. Chronological, Spatial, Topical 25%

Subheadings should be limited in a short essay.

Place *non-text material* (tables, graphs, maps, pictures) in the text and reference them in the text. Do not put them at the end of the paper. Do not include an appendix.

Interest or Originality

Would the reader like to read more once they have finished your essay?
The difference between an A and a B often lies here 10%

Correct sentence structure and grammar are important. Free of typos 5%

Conclusion

Closes the discussion and ties it to the introduction. It should not repeat what has been said in the body in a manner that makes it look like an attempt to lengthen the essay. It should not contain any new ideas. 10%

References. Information that is not common knowledge should be referenced. The number of references required will be given in the assignment. References should be in ASA style. 5%

Bibliography: a list of all works cited should be at the end containing all works referenced except atlas or dictionaries. Additional materials should not be added. ASA style 5%

