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<th>Planning Economic and Urban Neighborhoods in Transition - The Case of Berlin</th>
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<td>Category</td>
<td>Metropolitan Studies &amp; Urban Development</td>
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<td>Class Time</td>
<td>Winter Session: January 6\textsuperscript{th} – 24\textsuperscript{th} 2020</td>
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<td>Monday: 1.30 pm – 3 pm &amp; 3.20 pm – 4.50 pm</td>
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<td>Tuesday &amp; Wednesday: 9.00 am – 10.30 am &amp; 11.00 am – 12.30 pm</td>
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<td>Friday: 1.30 pm – 3 pm &amp; 3.20 pm – 4.05 pm</td>
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<td>Course Level &amp; Target Group</td>
<td>Undergraduate students with an interest in neighborhood and urban development and planning, geography, politics, social sciences, economics.</td>
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<td>Course Language</td>
<td>This course is taught in English, including readings in English. For the understanding of the texts and the discussions in class a language level B2 or higher (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages) is required.</td>
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<td>ECTS</td>
<td>5 ECTS (45 contact hours)</td>
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<td>Instructor</td>
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**Course Description**

The aim of this course is to understand and learn about the different challenges European regions are facing, e.g. integration and migration, social exclusion, demographic change, creative milieus, economic decline, shrinking cities and ecological renewal.

- How is the ageing society affecting our rural and urban areas?
- How are migrants integrated in European cities?
- Does Berlin have a creative class and if so, how does it affect the city?

These are only some of the questions that will be discussed in the course. The city of Berlin is a hot spot for various regional developments. As a result, several of these aspects will be explored and explained during short excursions and day trips in Berlin (e.g. ethnic businesses and the migration situation in Neukölln, the newly developing zone Tempelhofer Feld).

Students of all relevant disciplines who are interested in different aspects of European regional development, including e.g. city and regional planning, geography, politics, social sciences and economics, are most welcome to join this course.

Participants will be invited to draft a presentation on a specific topic discussed in the course (including e.g. the home regions of the participants).

**Course Objective & Learning Outcomes**

The seminar provides students with a critical understanding of different planning related issues as well as possible solutions. This includes theoretical and technical knowledge that is required to identify problems, values and attitudes of planning as well as skills to formulate, evaluate and implement planning policies at the national, regional and local scales.
Suggested Readings
A course reader with supplementary reading materials will be distributed at the beginning of the class.

Assignments
In order to be granted 5 ECTS, students are required to
• attend all classes
• participate actively in all classes,
• to draft a presentation on a specific topic discussed in the course (including e.g. the home regions of the participants)
• provide regular reading notes

Assessment Components
A minimum of 80% class attendance is required. The final grade will be composed of active participation during class discussions and the presentation.
Failure to fulfil one of the mentioned components results in failure of the class.

Course Schedule
Week 1 – Berlin: Changing Social Structures and Participative Approaches
Mon, 6th January 2020 – 1.30 - 4.50 PM
Lecture: Introduction: 1.30-2.30pm
Planning paradigms, Key Concepts and Short Introduction to Berlin

2.30 - 3.00 PM
Presentation 1: Berlin as a European and/or Global City?

3.15 - 3.45 PM
Presentation 2: Approaches to Governance in Berlin

3.45 - 4.15 PM
Presentation 3: Gentrification in Berlin – the Case of Prenzlauer Berg

4.15 - 4.45 PM
Presentation 4: Immigrant Communities in Berlin


Tue, 7th January 2020 – 9.00 AM - 12.30 PM
Excursion: Berlin Prenzlauer Berg Gentrification
Meeting point: 9.00am U-Bahn Station Senefelder Platz (U2). At the rail track platform.

Wed, 8th January 2020 – 9.00 AM - 12.30 PM
Excursion Berlin-Potsdamer Platz – Global City
Meeting point: 9.00am U-Bahn Station Potsdamer Platz (U2). At the rail track platform.

Fri, 10th January 2020 – 1.30 - 4.05 PM
Excursion Berlin-Lichtenberg – Ethnic Economies
Meeting point: 1.30pm U-Bahn Station Landsberger Allee (S.41,42,S8,S85,S9). At the rail track platform.

Week 2 Berlin: Planning Shrinkage and Rise, Social Inclusion and Exclusion

Mon, 13th January 2020 – 1.30 - 4.50 PM
Lecture: Introduction: 1.30-2.30pm
Key Concepts, Planning for Shrinkage / Social Inclusion-Exclusion

2.30-3.00 PM
Presentation 5: Social integration – The social city program in Berlin


3.15-3.45 PM
Presentation 6: Aspects of Social Exclusion in Berlin


3.45-4.15 PM
Presentation 7: Shrinkage in Germany

Tue, 14th January 2020 – 9.00 AM - 12.30 PM
Excursion Berlin-Charlottenburg – Municipal Shrinkage und Rise
Meeting point: 9.00am S-Bahn Station Charlottenburg (S.41, 42, S8, S85, S9). At the rail track platform.

Wed, 15th January 2020 – 9.00 AM - 12.30 PM
Excursion Schöneweide – Industrial Shrinkage and Rise
Meeting point: 9.00am S-Bahn Station Schöneweide (S 45, S46, S47, S8, S85 ,S9). At the rail track platform.

Fri, 17th January 2020 – 1.30 - 4.05 PM
Excursion Marzahn/Hellersdorf – Housing Shrinkage
Meeting point: 1.30pm S-Bahn Station Ahrensfelde (S7, S75). At the rail track platform.

Week 3 Berlin: Dynamics in Economics and Planning for Economic Growth
Mon, 20th January 2020 – 1.30 - 4.50 PM
Lecture: Introduction: 1.30 - 2.30pm
Planning for growth? - Theoretical considerations

2.30 - 3.00 PM
Presentation 8: Technology Park Berlin-Adlershof

3.15 - 3.45 PM
Presentation 9: Creative City Berlin
3.45 - 4.15 PM
Presentation 10: Temporary Living / Economizing of Spaces

4.15 - 4.45 PM
Presentation 11: Participation / struggle in Berlin – The Case of Berlin-Media Spree

Tue, 21st January 2020 – 9.00 AM - 12.30 PM
Excursion: The Technology Park Berlin-Adlershof – A creative Milieu?
Meeting point: 9.00am S-Bahn Station Berlin-Adlershof (S45,46, 8, 85,9). At the rail track platform

Wed, 22nd January 2020 – 9.00 AM - 12.30 PM
Excursion Berlin-Neukölln- Temporary Use
Meeting point: 9.00am U-Bahn Station Herrmannplatz (U 7/8). At the U7 rail track platform.

Fri, 24th January 2020 – 1.30 - 4.05 PM
Excursion: Creative Class and Cultural Industries in Berlin Friedrichshain-Kreuzberg
Meeting point: 1.30pm U-Bahn Station Frankfurter Tor (U5). At the rail track platform

Expectations & Policies
Preparation for lively discussions in the classroom: be on time, have at least the required readings completed and points in mind for discussion or clarification.
Assignments: complete all assignments according to the specified requirements on schedule including handing over to the lecturer.
Commitment in class: pay particular attention to the lecturer and respect differences of opinions (classmates’, lecturers, local constituents engaged with on the visits).
Academic guidelines: Comply with academic integrity policies (such as no plagiarism or cheating, nothing unethical), especially the academic honor code and the student code of conduct (see FAQs on www.huwisu.de).
Attendance policy: No unexcused absences are permitted. Students must contact their class teachers to catch up on missed work – to excuse absence please contact the HUWISU office (80% class attendance are required).
Field trips: if classes involve a field trip or other external visits, these require attendance as well as appearance in time – transportation difficulties are never valid reasons for an excused absence.
Cultural Extra-curricular Activities

HUWISU offers a fine selection of interesting extra-curricular activities and aims to give all participants an unforgettable stay in Berlin. Your program includes excursions, sport activities and social gatherings providing you the opportunity to get to know the city, the university and your classmates better and to meet students from all parts of the world. The costs for these offers are included in the course fees.

Below you will find examples of previously offered cultural activities. You will be informed about the respective cultural program after your enrolment via email as well as during the course period.

Political and historical guided tours:

• Federal Chancellery (Bundeskanzleramt): It’s the central coordination point for the entire government policy. The office is in constant contact to departments and other authorities.

• German Parliament (Bundestag): As the highest organ of the legislative in Germany it’s elected by the German people. In practice Germany is governed by a bicameral legislature, of which the Bundestag serves as the lower house and the Bundesrat equals the upper house.

• House of Representatives (Abgeordnetenhaus): It’s the state parliament (Landtag) of Berlin and located in the center of the reunified city. Together with the Martin Gropius Bau, the Topography of Terror and the Bundesrat, it presents an arresting contrast to the flair of the new Potsdamer Platz.

• Topography of Terror: A permanent exhibition with focus on the central institutions of the SS and police during the “Third Reich” and the crimes they committed throughout Europe. With the help of mostly photographic material, visitors are led through the major themes of the exhibition’s five main segments.

• Political Archive: As the “memory” of the Federal Foreign Office it preserves the files on German diplomacy since 1867, as well as the international treaties signed by the Federal Republic of Germany and its predecessors in title. The records are preserved, processed and made available for academic research.

Cultural guided tours:

• Kreuzberg Tour: Kreuzberg has emerged from its history as one of the poorest quarters in Berlin in the late 1970s to a cultural center of today’s Berlin. A unique area and one of the hippest neighborhoods in Berlin with many bars, pubs and clubs.

• Museum Island (Museumsinsel): was awarded UNESCO World Heritage Status in 1999 and is an ensemble of five museums: Old Museum, New Museum, Old National Gallery, Pergamon Museum and Bode Museum.

• Berlin Cathedral (Berliner Dom): Berlin’s largest and most important Protestant church is located on the Museum Island.

• Daytrip to Potsdam: Be inspired by the illustrious attractions of the UNESCO’s World Heritage while underway through the city of Potsdam. Immerse yourself in the history and present of Potsdam and discover many palaces, gardens, and historic quarters such as the “Holländisches Viertel” or the “Nikolaikirche”.

• Exhibitions: Berlin is known for its unique galleries and exhibitions, that is why we will visit at least one during the Winter University.

Social gatherings

• Welcome Get-Together: We invite you to meet all participants as well as the HUWISU staff in a relaxed atmosphere.

• Ice Skating: A fun outdoor sport activity for everyone; even for those who have never been on ice-skates before. Afterwards you may head out for hot beverage to warm up from the inside.

• Farewell Party: At the end of the Winter University we will come together to celebrate the exciting time with HUWISU.
Your Instructor

Prof. Dr. Lech Suwala is currently a Full Professor (Guest) for Urban and Regional Economics at Technische Universität Berlin. Apart from that, he worked as a Visiting Associate Professor for Innovation Management at Ritsumeikan University, Japan, Osaka and Senior Lecturer in Economic Geography at Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin. He is a geographer and economist with working experience in both science and industry.

He has held positions as Research Fellow at Simon-Fraser-University, Vancouver, Canada; Lecturer at the University of Namibia, Windhoek and University of Applied Sciences on Technology and Economics, Berlin. His expertise includes spatial creativity, innovation and entrepreneurship research, European and regional planning, as well as smart and green approaches towards urban development.

His research has been published in both peer-reviewed journals (e.g. Regional Studies, Cambridge Journal of Regions, Society and Economy) and internationally edited volumes (Ashgate, Routledge, Springer).

Dept. of Geography:
https://www.geographie.hu-berlin.de/de/Members/suwala_lech
https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Lech_Suwala

Please note that the course and its syllabus are subject to change. Last update: September 2019