This course will build on the material presented in Economics 281A by exploring a number of additional topics in urban economics. The course will follow a lecture format, drawing on the articles from the following reading list. The articles are available on-line, either at JSTOR, a journal website, or on my personal site, via the hyperlinks below. Because the underlying hyperlinks for the articles are long, simply clicking on the colored text won’t work. Instead, highlight the entire article title, then right click and select “open hyperlink.” To access an electronic version of this syllabus, click on my name from the faculty list on the economics department website, then click on “graduate course reading lists.” The reading list also includes a few chapters from my textbook, *Lectures on Urban Economics*. This book is mainly aimed at an undergraduate audience, but the assigned readings provide helpful background. The relevant chapters of the book can be accessed on the course website, which is password-protected. Please do not share the electronic book material with anyone outside the course.

The course requirement is a take-home final exam.

### I. Land-Use Controls

II. Analysis of Urban Subcenters


III. Spatial Mismatch


IV. Uncertainty and the Urban Development Process


V. Housing in the Portfolio

VI. Rent Control


VII. Homelessness

Brueckner, J., *Lectures on Urban Economics*, Ch. 7, section 7.3.

VIII. Measuring Urban Quality-of-Life

Brueckner, J., *Lectures on Urban Economics*, Ch. 11.

IX. Social Interactions and Neighborhood Effects


X. **Energy Usage in Cities**


XI. **Behavioral Effects of Urban Sprawl**
