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 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.” 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 course requirement is a take-home final exam.

I. Analysis of Urban Subcenters


II. Land-Use Controls

Brueckner, J., Lectures on Urban Economics, Ch. 4, sections 4.5-4.6.


### III. Rent Control


### IV. Homelessness

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

### V. Spatial Mismatch


### VI. Uncertainty and the Urban Development Process


VII. Housing in the Portfolio


VIII. Mortgage Default


IX. Measuring Urban Quality-of-Life

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


X. Social Interactions and Neighborhood Effects


XI. Behavioral Effects of Urban Sprawl


XII. Energy Usage in Cities


XIII. Quantitative Urban Models