



URB 201: Metropolitan Miami

Section TX, Fall 2010, Tuesday 5:00-7:30 pm, rm TBA

Instructor: Prof. Jan Nijman

This is an exciting undergraduate course that introduces students to Greater Miami and urban life in South Florida. It is an excellent way to get familiar with the city, to learn basic concepts in urban studies, and to meet with outstanding teachers from across the University. Topics include Miami's early history; its more recent emergence as an international business center and Global City; the role of tourism; Miami's famous architecture; environmental challenges such as protection of the Everglades; the economic and regional development of Greater Miami; issues of immigration, population, and local cultures; Miami's connections to the Caribbean and Latin America; and more.



QUICK FACTS ABOUT THE COURSE:

- A challenging new interdisciplinary course (3 credits) with contributions from award-winning professors in History, Architecture, Geography, and Sociology;
- No prerequisites, open to all students;
- Fulfills a social science requirement;
- The course is part of the Urban Studies Program and a core requirement for the Urban Studies Minor; an excellent complement to other majors;
- Grades are based on class participation and exams;
- The class meets one evening a week; Format: lectures, AV presentations, discussions, and two great excursions in Metropolitan Miami;
- Questions? Please contact the instructor at nijman@miami.edu