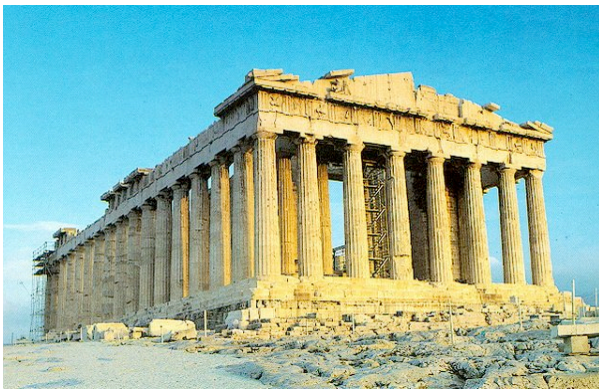




URB 301: Cities in Time & Space

Section TY, Spring 2008, Thursdays 5:30-8:05 pm, 199 ARC Bldg

Instructor: Prof. Jan Nijman



This is an exciting new course in the field of urban studies. Its purpose is to give you a global perspective on cities in widely different historical and geographical contexts. It consists of a series of modules that focus on a city or group of cities at different historical times and in different parts of the world. Examples include: ancient Greek cities, Mayan cities, early European trading entrepôts, African post-colonial cities, a history of Havana, port cities in the modern world economy, the present-day 'Latino' metropolis in the United States, and more. At a conceptual level, we engage questions about urbanization processes; the cultural, political, and economic foundation and meaning of cities; urban form; the place of cities in the world economy; and notions of comparative urbanism. The course is taught by a team of professors from across the University.

QUICK FACTS ABOUT THE COURSE:

- A challenging new interdisciplinary course (3 credits) taught by a team of award-winning professors in Architecture, History, Geography, English, and Anthropology;
- No prerequisites, open to all students, max. enrollment of 40;
- Fulfills a social science requirement in Arts & Sciences; Writing (W) credit;
- Fulfills a core requirement in the Urban Studies minors;
- Grades are based on class participation, exam, and research paper;
- Class meets once a week. Format consists of lectures, AV presentations, discussion;
- Questions? Contact the instructor at nijman@miami.edu

