

**Course:**

**SOC 4540 Urban Communities**

**4 hours**

**Majors, Minors & Degrees:**

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Business-Sociology (B.S.)

Criminal Justice in Society (B.S.)

**Departments/Programs:**

Sociology and Anthropology

This course examines urban communities and their historical roots. Topics covered include demographic and ecological trends, cross-cultural variations, and current theories about urban processes and community in order to foster an understanding of this dominant form of human social organization. Students engage in field study in areas such as community development, urban administration, spatial organization, and contemporary social problems. The requirements of the 4540 course will be the same as the 3540 course EXCEPT that students in the higher course number will complete a semester length field project relevant to the course material.

*Prerequisite(s): SOC 1110 Introduction to Sociology*  
(Normally offered alternate years.)