



Course: UNIV 100 – Section H17 **Theme:** Culture & Literature

Course Topic: *Cities!*

Description: Cities! is designed to give students an introduction to the systems that make up our urban environments. We will hear from specialists in a variety of fields, watch documentaries, and discuss issues raised along the way. Students will be awarded extra points for calling additional urban issues to the attention of the class by sharing newspaper reports, online news sites, or brief personal essays (250 words). Over the course of the 15-week class, students will also identify, plan, research, develop, and present a final project based on an urban systems topic. There is no textbook for this class, but readings will be posted on Moodle, and students will be expected to discuss all of them in class and to maintain a course journal about most of them as homework assignments. Students will also work in groups or individually to develop a final project and presentation.