



UNIVERSITÀ  
degli STUDI  
di CATANIA

DIPARTIMENTO DI SCIENZE POLITICHE E SOCIALI  
Corso di laurea magistrale in Global Politics and Euro-  
Mediterranean Relations

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## ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL GEOGRAPHY

M-GGR/02 - 6 CFU - 2° semestre

### Docente titolare dell'insegnamento

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### OBIETTIVI FORMATIVI

Political and economic organisation of space. Globalised spaces

### MODALITÀ DI SVOLGIMENTO DELL'INSEGNAMENTO

Frontal lectures, presentations, seminars

### PREREQUISITI RICHIESTI

No particular knowledge is required to attend the course

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### FREQUENZA LEZIONI

Attendance to lecture is compulsory. Up to 30% of classes can be missed. Up to 50% for students who have been recognised the status of 'working student'

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### CONTENUTI DEL CORSO

Globalization as a material phenomenon and as a political project, the new global interconnections, globalization and the creation of new tensions and divisions as well as new forms of integration. Particular emphasis is given to the analysis of the relationship between cities and globalization. The course tackles questions regarding cities considered both as actors of globalization and places where globalization takes place.

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## TESTI DI RIFERIMENTO

- 1 - U.Rossi and A.Vanolo. Urban Political Geography. A Global Perspective. London: Sage, 2012
- 2 - N. Brenner and R. Keil. "The Global City Reader". London: Routledge, 2006
- 3 - F. Moulaert, A. Rodríguez and E. Swyngedouw. "The Globalized City: Economic Restructuring and Social Polarization in European Cities" / edited by. Oxford, New York: Oxford University Press, 2003

## ALTRO MATERIALE DIDATTICO

<http://studium.unict.it>

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## PROGRAMMAZIONE DEL CORSO

Argomenti	Riferimenti testi
1 AN INTRODUCTION TO GLOBAL URBANIZATION PROCESSES	Selected academic articles
2 DEFINITION OF URBAN GEOGRAPHICAL SPACE	Selected academic articles
3 URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND THE POLITICS OF REPRESENTATION	U.Rossi and A.Vanolo. Urban Political Geography. A Global Perspective. London: Sage, 2012, pp. 23-51 and selected academic articles
4 THE USE OF CULTURE AND CREATIVITY IN URBAN DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIES ACROSS NORTH AMERICA, EUROPE AND ASIA.	U.Rossi and A.Vanolo. Urban Political Geography. A Global Perspective. London: Sage, 2012, pp. 52-69
5 URBAN NEOLIBERALISM	U.Rossi and A.Vanolo. Urban Political Geography. A Global Perspective. London: Sage, 2012, pp. 69-102
6 URBAN GEOPOLITICS	U.Rossi and A.Vanolo. Urban Political Geography. A Global Perspective. London: Sage, 2012, 103-128
7 POLITICS AS CONTESTATION	U.Rossi and A.Vanolo. Urban Political Geography. A Global Perspective. London: Sage, 2012, pp.129-178

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## VERIFICA DELL'APPRENDIMENTO

### MODALITÀ DI VERIFICA DELL'APPRENDIMENTO

Written exam at the end of the course

### ESEMPI DI DOMANDE E/O ESERCIZI FREQUENTI

## Example of exam question

Trace, providing examples, the main characteristics of urban neoliberalism.

Explain what is meant by 'politics of fear' and to what extent this represents a powerful force behind socio-spatial transformations.

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