

# **Critical Issues in Development Studies: Urban and Rural Transformations in Developing Countries**

Master Program in International Development Studies  
Faculty of Political Science, Chulalongkorn University  
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7-21 Oct 2011: 614 Floor 6 – Borom

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Friday 1-4 PM (Some Weeks 1230-330 PM)

Class Website:

<http://www.polsci.chula.ac.th/pitch/urbanruralmaids2011/urbanruralmaids2011.html>

Class Webboard --> <http://madpitchclass.wordpress.com>

## **Objectives of the Course:**

1. Basic Understanding of the Urban and Rural Transformations and their Connection with Development Issues in Developing Countries; in three dimensions - theories, realities, and practices
2. Basic Skills in Researching Urban and Rural Transformation in Developing Countries
3. Basic Understanding Planning Intervention of Urban and Rural Transformation in Developing Countries

Remarks: More emphasis on urban dimensions and Thailand+Southeast Asian issues

## **Lecture Topics and Schedules:**

Fri 7 Oct - Introduction and Finalizing Course Outline - (Pitch Pongsawat)

Fri 14 Oct – No Class

Fri 21 Oct - Urbanization in Developing Countries - General Trends - (Pitch Pongsawat)

-[Cohen](#), Barney. 2006. Urbanization in developing countries: Current trends, future projections, and key challenges for sustainability. *Technology in Society* 28, no. 1 (1): 63-80.

-[Armstrong](#), Warwick. 1985. *Theatres of Accumulation: Studies in Asian and Latin American Urbanization*. London: Methuen. (Selection)

-[Borja](#), Jordi and Castells, Manuel. 1997. *Local and Global: The Management of Cities in the Information Age*. London: Earthscan Publications. (Selection)

++ Instruction --> Cohen is compulsory.

Fri 11 Nov – The Rural World and Its Transformation - (Pitch Pongsawat)

-[Ellis](#), Frank, and Stephen Biggs. 2001. "Evolving Themes in Rural Development 1950s-2000s." *Development Policy Review* 19 (December): 437-448.

-[Copp](#), James H. 1972. "Rural Sociology and Rural Development." *Rural Sociology* 37 (4): 515-33.

-[Gilbert](#), Jess. 1982. "Rural Theory: The Grounding of Rural Sociology." *Rural Sociology* 47 (4): 609-33.

-[Wolf](#), Eric R. 1955. "Types of Latin American Peasantry: A Preliminary Discussion." *American Anthropologist* 57 (3): 452-471.

++ Instruction --> Ellis and Copp are compulsory.

Fri 18 Nov - Urban and Rural Ecology - (Danai Thaitakoo)

-[McGee](#), T. G. 2009. The Resilience and Vulnerability of the Extended Urban Spaces in Asia in the Twenty First Century -Policy Research Challenges for the Future of Urban Asia. In International Workshop on Sustainable City Region. INNA Grand Beach Hotel, Bali.

-[Takeuchi](#), K, K Harashina, and Y Hara. 2009. Establishing Sustainable Community through the Urban and Rural Fusion. In International Workshop on Sustainable City Region. INNA Grand Beach Hotel, Bali.

-[Thaitakoo](#), Danai, and Brain McGrath. 2010. Bangkok Liquid Perception: Waterscape Urbanism in the Chao Phraya River Delta and Implications to Climate Change Adaptation. In *Water Communities*, ed. Rajib Shaw. Bingley: Emerald.

-[Thaitakoo](#), Danai, and Brain McGrath 2006. Bangkok's Agri and Aqua-cultural Fringe , *Topos* (The International Review of Landscape Architecture and Urban Design), Issue 56 *Cultural Landscapes* (September, 2006), Edited by Robert Schäfer

++ Instruction --> Thaitakoo (s) are compulsory.

Fri 25 Nov – Planning and Management Dimensions of Urban and Rural Transformation (1) - (Pitch Pongsawat)

-[Jones](#), G. A., and S. Corbridge. 2010. The Continuing Debate about Urban Bias: The Thesis, Its Critics, Its Influence and Its Implications for Poverty-Reduction Strategies. *Progress in Development Studies* 10, no. 1 (1): 1-18.

-[Pongsawat](#), Pitch. 2001. Inside Field Statement: Metropolitan Planning in Developing Countries. Department of City and Regional Planning, University of California at Berkeley.

-[Tacoli](#), C. 2003. "The Links between Urban and Rural Development." *Environment and Urbanization* 15 (April 1): 3-12.

-[Satterthwaite](#), D. 2003. "The Millennium Development Goals and Urban Poverty Reduction: Great Expectations and Nonsense Statistics." *Environment and Urbanization* 15 (October 1): 179-190.

-[Hasan](#), A., S. Patel, and D. Satterthwaite. 2005. "How to Meet the Millennium Development Goals (MDGS) in Urban Areas." *Environment and Urbanization* 17 (April 1): 3-19.

++ Instruction --> Jones and Satterthwaite are compulsory.

Wed 30 Nov - Planning and Management Dimensions of Urban and Rural Transformation (2)

- (Apiwat Ratanawaraha)

-[Henderson](#), Vernon. 2002. Urbanization in Developing Countries. The World Bank Research Observer 17, no. 1 (Spring): 89-112.

-[The World Bank](#). 2009. World Development Report 2009: Reshaping Economic Geography. Washington, D.C.: The World Bank. (Selection)

++ Instruction --> Read both.

Fri 2 Dec - Urban and Rural Poverty - (Pitch Pongsawat)

-[Cohen](#), Patricia. 2010. 'Culture of Poverty' Makes a Comeback - NYTimes.com.

<http://www.nytimes.com/2010/10/18/us/18poverty.html>.

-[Wratten](#), E. 1995. Conceptualizing Urban Poverty. Environment and Urbanization 7, no. 1 (4): 11-38.

-[Gilbert](#), Alan. 2007. The Return of the Slum: Does Language Matter? International Journal of Urban and Regional Research 31, no. 4 (12): 697-713.

-[Bromley](#), R. 1978. Introduction - The Urban Informal Sector: Why is It Worth Discussing? World Development 6, no. 9 (9): 1033-1039.

-[Portes](#), Alejandro, Manuel Castells, and Lauren A. Benton. 1989. The Informal Economy: Studies in Advanced and Less Developed Countries. The Johns Hopkins University Press. (Selection)

-[de Janvry](#), A. 2000. "Rural Poverty in Latin America: Determinants and Exit Paths." Food Policy 25 (August): 389-409.

++ Instruction --> Read two pieces, and treat Cohen as extra reading

Wed 7 Dec - Qualitative Researching on Urban and Rural Transformation - (Pitch Pongsawat)

-[Low](#), Setha M. 1999. Theorizing the City: The New Urban Anthropology Reader. illustrated edition. Rutgers University Press, November 1. (Introduction: Theorizing the City)

-[Jellinek](#), Lea. "Displaced by Modernity: The Saga of a Jakarta Street-Trader's Family from the 1940s to the 1990s," in Gugler, Josef. 1997. Cities in the Developing World: Issues, Theory, and Policy. Oxford University Press.

-[Burawoy](#), M. 2001. Manufacturing the Global. Ethnography 2, no. 2 (6): 147-159.

-[Burawoy](#), Michael, Alice Burton, Ann Arnett Ferguson, and Kathryn J. Fox. 1991. Ethnography Unbound: Power and Resistance in the Modern Metropolis. University of California Press. (Selection)

-[Marcus](#), George E. 1998. Ethnography through Thick and Thin. Princeton University Press, (Selection)

-[Jenks](#), Chris, and Tiago Neves. 2000. A Walk on the Wild side: Urban Ethnography Meets the Flaneur. Journal for Cultural Research 4, no. 1 (1): 1-17.

-[The National Geographic](#): How to Take Photo of the Cities

-[Schwartz](#), Dona. 1989. Visual Ethnography: Using Photography in Qualitative Research. Qualitative Sociology 12, no. 2: 119-154.

-[Harrison](#), B. 2002. Photographic Visions and Narrative Inquiry. Narrative Inquiry 12, no. 1 (8): 87-111.

++ Instruction --> Low and Jellinek are compulsory

Fri 9 Dec – Quantitative Researching on Urban and Rural Transformation - (Apiwat Ratanawaraha)

-[Hall](#), Peter. 2001. Urban Indicators for Asia's Cities: From Theory to Practice. In Urban indicators for Managing Cities: Cities Data Book, ed. Victoria de Vila and Matthew Westfall. Manila Philippines: Asian Development Bank.

-[Newman](#), Peter. 2001. Urban Indicators and the Management of Cities. In Urban Indicators for Managing Cities: Cities Data Book, ed. Victoria de Vila and Matthew Westfall. Manila Philippines: Asian Development Bank.

++ Instruction --> Read both.

Fri 16 Dec - Housing and Architecture of Empowerment - (Supicha Tovivich)

-[Beardsley](#), John. 2007. A Billion Slum Dwellers and Counting. Harvard Design Magazine, Fall / Winter 2008.

-[Freire](#), Paulo. 1972. Pedagogy of the Oppressed. [Harmondsworth, Middlesex: Penguin Books. (pp. 28-51)

-[Hamdi](#), Nabeel. 2004. Small Change: About the Art of Practice and the Limits of Planning in Cities. London: Earthscan. (Chapter 7)

-[Serageldin](#), Ismail. 1997. The Architecture of Empowerment: A Survey. In The Architecture of Empowerment: People, Shelter and Livable Cities, ed. Ismail Serageldin. London: Academy Editions.

-Two Projects: [PASSAGE 56](#) and [CASE](#)

In Between 16-23 Dec – Final Research Essay Proposal Presentation

Fri 23 Dec – Gender Dimensions in Urban and Rural Transformation - (Wijitbusaba Marome)

-[Moser](#), Caroline O. N. 1987. Women, Human Settlements and Housing: A Conceptual Framework for Analysis and Policy-Making. In Women, Human Settlements, and Housing, ed. Caroline O. N Moser and Linda Peake. London: Tavistock Publications.

-[Perrons](#), Diane. 2004. The Global Division of Labour and the Feminization of Employment: Women's Roles in Cool Chains, the Integrated Circuit and Care Chains. In Globalization and Social Change: People and Places in a Divided World. London ;New York, NY: Routledge.

-[Borja](#), Jordi, and Manuel Castells. 1997. Local and Global: The Management of Cities in the Information Age. London: Earthscan Publications. (Chapter 3: City of Women)

-Peterson, V. Spike, and Anne Sisson Runyan, eds. 1993. Global Gender Issues. Dilemmas in world politics. Boulder: Westview Press. (Optional)

Fri 30 Dec - Holiday

Fri 6 Jan – Urban and Rural Politics of Development - (Pitch Pongsawat)

Fri 13 Jan – Border Town and Other Spaces - (Pitch Pongsawat)

-[Pongsawat](#), Pitch. 2007. Border Partial Citizenship, Border Towns, and Thai-Myanmar Cross-Border Development: Case Studies at the Thai Border Towns. Ph.D. Dissertation, Department of City and Regional Planning: University of California at Berkeley. (Introduction, Chapter 6, 7, and 8)

-[Ong](#), Aihwa. 2000. Graduated Sovereignty in South-East Asia. *Theory, Culture & Society* 17, no. 4 (8): 55-75.

Fri 20 Jan – Final Essay Presentation

**Field Trips:**

- 1) Urban Field Trip
- 2) Rural Field Trip

**Class Requirements:**

- 1) Participation and Attendance (0% but more than 80% of time attendance requirement)
- 2) Weekly Reading Notes (1 page – half page summary with 2 questions from the reading, posted at the webboard before 9 AM of the class date) (0% but you will not have a grade without the submission of 10 reflections)
- 3) Field Trips Notes (2 Pages per trip – connected with what you learn from the class – 0% but you will not get the grade unless you submit them)
- 4) Term Paper (15 pages - critical, empirical, original, and linking the research topic with theory in the class and touching upon planning practice) (100%)
- 5) Oral Examination (30 mins - on 2-3 main topics of the class – To help clarify what you wrote on the term paper)