September 6  Introduction and resources

September 13 Situating China’s Urbanism


- Introduction


Discussion leaders: Crystal and Kun

September 20 Urbanization and urban system


- Chapter 4 The Urban System since 1949


- Trends in urbanization in OECD countries (p. 8-34)

Discussion leaders: Savannah and Yashesh

September 27 Role of state and policy

- Chapter 6 Cities in the Global Economy
- Chapter 13 Urban Governance and Civil Society


Smith, Nick. 2014. “*China’s National Plan for a New Form of Urbanization* (Links to an external site.) Links to an external site.” Blog post, June 27.

Jie, Shen and Fulong Wu. 2017. "*The Suburb as a Space of Capital Accumulation: The Development of New Towns in Shanghai, China* (Links to an external site.) Links to an external site." *Antipode* 49, 3: 761-780.

Discussion leaders: Avery and Ethan

**October 4**  
**Migration and urbanization**


- Chapter 5 Urban-Rural Divide, Socialist Institutions, and Migration


Chan, Kam Wing. 2014. *Achieving Comprehensive Hukou Reform in China* (Links to an external site.) Links to an external site.. Paulson Institute: Paulson Policy Memorandum, December.

Discussion leaders: Lu and Yue

Book synopsis:

- Strangers in the City (Lu and Yue)

**October 7**  
**Attending Urban China Forum** (Saturday 9-5, Wood Auditorium)

**October 11**  
**No class – Prepared book synopsis**

**October 18**  
**Evolving urban form and urban space**


October 25 Urban land reform and market


- Chapter 10 Urban Land and Housing


Discussion leaders: Boying and Yaxin

Book Synopsis:

- Land Bargains and Chinese Capitalism (Boying and Yaxin)
- China's Urban Transition (Kun and Shulin)
- Concrete Dragon (Yashesh)

November 1 Land finance and infrastructure

(Research prospectus due)

• Chapter 9 Urban Infrastructure


Discussion leaders: Shulin and Yichen

Book synopsis:

• Chinese Real Estate Market (Ethan and Yichen)
• Housing Affordability and Housing Policy in Urban China (Savannah)
• Ghost Cities of China (Junteng)

November 8  Role of planning and planners


Discussion leaders: Chengqi and Yudi

Book synopsis:

• Planning for Growth (Crystal, Mohammed, and Yudi)
• Blue Skies over Beijing (Avery)
November 15  Planning practice


Urban Land Institute. 2015. Knowledge and Innovative Community (Links to an external site.)Links to an external site.. ULI Case Studies.

Discussion leaders: Junteng, Livie, and Mohammed

Book synopsis:

- The Last Days of Old Beijing (Chengqi and Livie)

**Guest lecture by Michael Meyer**, author of The Last Days of Old Beijing (4-5 pm)

November 22  No class – Prepare draft research paper

November 29  Draft research paper presentation

(Draft research paper due)

December 6  Guest lecture by Tat Lam

(Director, GSAPP Studio X China, and social entrepreneur)

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