## INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL

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August 22nd – September 2nd 2016 HUWISU Summer University 2016 Georg-Simmel Center for Metropolitan Studies Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin





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Monday through Thursday: 9.15 am - 12 pm & 1 pm - 3 pm

#### Location

Georg-Simmel-Zentrum für Metropolenforschung Mohrenstraße 41, 10117 Berlin, Room 415 (4th floor – elevator at the main entrance) Public Transportation: U2 Hausvogteiplatz / U6 Stadtmitte

#### Berlin's public transportation

Berlin's public transport system is composed of buses, trams, the U-Bahn (subway), the S-Bahn (suburban rail), Regional Train (RB) and Regional Express (RE) trains, and ferries.

Network maps and an online journey planner in English can be found at: http://www.bvg.de/index.php/en/index.html



#### **Credits and certificate**

You will receive a certificate and 4 ECTS credit points as well as a Transcript of Records only with regular attendance (must be present 80% of the time) and active class participation. You will receive a total of 40 hours (one lesson equals 45 minutes). Lessons will comprise lectures, group work, discussion sessions, excursions and fieldwork.

#### Moodle

Course: https://moodle.hu-berlin.de/course/view.php?id=71935

Password: Metro-2016

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## PREPARATION FOR THE SUMMER SCHOOL

Required Reading

To be able to participate in discussions and debates during the Summer School, it is necessary to read the following readings in advance. Further, you find readings attached to the individual days of the Summer School that are fundamental to follow the courses.

Lefebvre, Henri, Kofman, Eleonore & Lebas, Elizabeth (1996): *Writings on Cities.* Cambridge, Mass, USA: Blackwell Publishers.

- Part I: Introduction: Lost in Transposition Time, Space and the City, pp. 3-60
- Part II: The Right to the City: The Right to the City, pp. 147 159.

Brenner, Neil, Marcuse, Peter & Mayer, Margit (2011): *Cities for people, not for Profit: an Introduction.* In: Cities for People, Not for Profit: Critical Urban Theory and the Right to the City: Routledge. New York

Chapter I: Introduction

Uffer, Sabine (2011): The uneven development of Berlin's housing provision. London School of Economics and Political Science.

- "Poor, but Sexy" Berlin's Urban Development pp. 10 13
- Historical and Spatial Development of Berlin's Housing, pp. 70 95
- Privatisation of State-owned Housing and Institutional Investors, pp. 96 133

Kemper, Franz-Josef (1998): Restructing of Housing and Ethnic Segregation: Recent Developments in Berlin. In: Urban Studies, Vol. 35, No. 10, pp.1765-1789.

Geertz, Clifford (1973): *Thick description: Toward an interpretive theory of culture.* In: The Interpretation of Culture. Selected Essays, 1973.



## INTRODUCTION

Monday, August 22

Session I 9.15 – 10.00

Introduction at the Georg Simmel Centre for Metropolitan Studies (GSZ) and International Office (HUWISU)

Adress: Mohrenstraße 40/41, 10117 Berlin

Getting to know each other

Session II 10.15 – 12.00

Introduction Lecture "Berlin in the Housing Crisis?"

Guiding Question: What is affordable housing, affordable for whom?

**TEXT** 

required

Neil Brenner, Peter Marcuse, and Margit Mayer (2011): *Cities for people, not for Profit: an Introduction.* In: Cities for People, Not for Profit: Critical Urban Theory and the Right to the City: Routledge. New York.

IBB Housing Market Report 2015 (Summary), URL: http://tinyurl.com/jtjtoj8

**TEXT** 

optional

Harvey, David: (2012): *The Right to the City*. In: Rebel Cities - From the Right to the City to the Urban Revolution, Section I, pp. 2-25, London /New York 2012.

Engels, Friedrich (1872): *The Housing Question*, Leipzig, URL: <a href="https://www.marxists.org/archive/marx/works/1872/housing-question/">https://www.marxists.org/archive/marx/works/1872/housing-question/</a>

Martin, Reinhold, Jacob Moore, and Susanne Schindler (eds.) (2015): *The Art of Inequality: Architecture, Housing, and Real Estate — A Provisional Report*, Buell Center, Columbia University, New York.

Session III 13.00 – 15.00

WATCH, LISTEN, TALK, COLLECT Site visit "Berlin Townhouses" and visit to the exhibition "Berlin City Models"



Townhouses Friedrichswerder, Photo: Arwed Messmer (ed.) Anonymous Heart Berlin. URL: http://www.anonyme-mitte-berlin.de/english.html



## MAPPING THE HOUSING QUESTION

Tuesday, August 23

Session I 9.15 – 10.00

**Connecting Theory and Practice: Mapping the Housing Question** by Diana Lucas-Drogan (Architect and Mapping Artist)

#### **TEXT**

required

Obrist, Hans Ulrich and McCarthy, Tom (Eds.) (2014): *Mapping it out. An Alternativ Atlas of Contemporary Cartographies*. Introduction. New York.

Wood, Dennis (1992): *How maps work*. In: Cartographica, 29 (3&4), Autumn/Winter 1992, pp. 66-74.

#### **TEXT**

optional

Perkins, Christopher (2009): *Performative and Embodied Mapping*. In: International Encyclopedia of Human Geography, Pages 126–132. Manchester, UK.

Watson, Ruth (2009): *Mapping and Contemporary Art*. In: The Cartographic Journal Vol. 46 No. 4 pp. 293–307, Art & Cartography Special Issue.

Session II 10.15 – 12.00

#### **Group Exercise and Case Studies**

Guided Question: What tools, research methods can help to understand the complex of the housing question?

Session III *13. – 15.00* 

#### WATCH, LISTEN, TALK, COLLECT

#### **TOUR** "Taking the Loop" - Berlin Rail Ring

Guided Question: What can we see, whom can we listen too, whom can we talk too, what information can we collect on the housing question in Berlin?



## TEXT

required

O'Reilly, Karen (2005): *Introduction to Ethnographic Methods*. In: Ethnographic Methods. Abingdon/New York, pp. 1 – 24.

#### **TEXT**

optional

Atelier HOKO: Science of the Secondary: *Clock, No. 3*, an atlas of things not yet discovered, 2015.



## TRANSITION OF URBAN LIVING

Wednesday, August 24

Session I 9.15 – 10.00

The Transition of Urban Living in Berlin by Stefania Animento, Berlin Graduate School of Social Sciences (BGSS), Georg-Simmel Center for Metropolitan Studies

#### **TEXT**

required

Uffer, Sabina (2011): The uneven development of Berlin's housing provision. The London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE).

#### **TEXT**

optional

Fields, Desiree and Sabina Uffer (2014): *The financialisation of rental housing: A comparative analysis of New York City and Berlin.* In: Urban Studies May 2016 53: 1486-1502.

Session II 10.15 – 12.00

"Migration and the Right to the City" by Dr. Ulrike Hamann, Sociologist, Berlin Institute for Migration and Integration Research (BMI) & Activist, Kotti & Co.

#### **TEXT**

required

Hatziprokopiou, Panos, Yannis Frangopoulos and Nicola Montagna (2016): *Migration and the City*. In: City, 20:1, 52-60.

Session III 13.00 – 15.00

### WATCH, LISTEN, TALK, COLLECT

TOUR "Homeless show their Berlin" organized by "querstadtein" for more information on the project \* http://querstadtein.org/en/tours/our-tours/



Photo by "querstadtein", URL: http://querstadtein.org/en/tours/our-tours/

#### **TEXT**

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Pink, Sarah (2008): An urban tour: The sensory sociality of ethnographic place-making, Ethnography 9 (2).



## POLITICAL AND URBAN PLANNING STRATEGIES

Thursday, August 25

Session I 9.15 – 10.00

#### Perspective of the Senate Department for Urban Development of Berlin

#### **TEXT**

required

Senate Department for Urban Development and the Environment on "Housing": <a href="http://www.stadtentwicklung.berlin.de/wohnen/wohnraum/index\_en.shtml">http://www.stadtentwicklung.berlin.de/wohnen/wohnraum/index\_en.shtml</a>

O'Sullivan, Feargus (2015): *Berlin Just Showed the World How to Keep Housing Affordable*, CityLab, URL: <a href="http://www.citylab.com/housing/2015/11/berlin-just-showed-the-world-how-to-keep-housing-affordable/415662/">http://www.citylab.com/housing/2015/11/berlin-just-showed-the-world-how-to-keep-housing-affordable/415662/</a>

Case-Study Example: Tempelhofer Field, URL: <a href="https://tempelhofer-feld.berlin.de">https://tempelhofer-feld.berlin.de</a>

Session II 10.15 – 12.00

#### **Connecting Theory and Case Studies**

Guided Question: How can we connect theory and praxis on the housing question in Berlin? Can Berlin be seen as a role-model for participation process?

#### **TEXT**

required

Lefebvre, Henri [1991] (2007): *The Production of Space*, pp. 1-68, Maiden/Oxford/ Victoria.

Mark Purcell (2002): Excavating Lefebvre: The Right to the City and its urban politics of the inhabitant. In: GeoJournal 68: 99-108.

#### **TEXT**

optional

Arnstein, Sherry R. (1969): A Ladder of Citizen Participation. JAIP, Vol. 35, No. 4, July 1969, pp. 216-224.

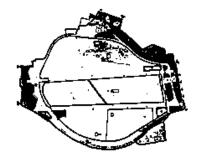
Session III 13.00 – 15.00

#### WATCH, LISTEN, TALK, COLLECT Site Visit Tempelhofer Feld

#### **TEXT**

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de Certeau, Michel (1984): *Walking in the City.* In: The Practice of Everyday Life, Berkeley/ Los Angeles / London, pp. 91 - 110.





# GRASSROOTS MOVEMENTS AND THE STRUGGLE FOR PARTICIPATION

Monday, August 29

Session I 9.15 .- 10.00

Site Visit "Media Spree versenken"

Session II 10.15 – 12.00

"Development of Berlin's Housing Crisis and the Right to Housing" by Dr. Andrej Holm (Sociologist and Urban Researcher, HU Berlin)

#### **TEXT**

required

Holm, Andrej (2013): *Berlin's Gentrification Mainstream.* In: Holm, Andrej; Grell, Britta, Bernt, Matthias (eds.) (2013): The Berlin Reader. A Compendium on Urban Change and Activism. Bielefeld, pp. 171-187.

#### **TEXT**

Optional

Mayer, Margit, Thörn, Catharina Thörn, Håkan (Eds.) (2016): Urban Uprisings. Challenging Neoliberal Urbanism in Europe, Palgrave Studies in European Political Sociology, Palgrave Macmillan UK.

Session III 13.00 - 15.00 Strategies and Network Practices - Grassroots Movements in Berlin, Filmscreening: "Rent Rebels" by Matthias Coers

#### **TEXT**

required

Novy, Johannes and Claire Colomb (2013): Struggling for the right to the (creative) city in Berlin and Hamburg. New urban social movements, new 'spaces of hope'?. In: International Journal of Urban and Regional Research, 37(5), 1816-1838.



http://rentrebels.tumblr.com/



## REFERENDUM ON NEW HOUSING POLICY

Tuesday, August 30

Session I 9.15 – 10.00

"Rent Referendum in Berlin - Affordable Housing is Possible!"

Guided Question: Is there an alternative to speculative urban development?

**TEXT** 

required

Rent Referendum Berlin Website: <a href="https://mietenvolksentscheidberlin.de/rent-referendum-berlin-affordable-housing-is-possible/">https://mietenvolksentscheidberlin.de/rent-referendum-berlin-affordable-housing-is-possible/</a>

Braun, Stuart (2015): *Grassroots push law to ease Berlin housing crisis*, URL: <a href="http://www.dw.com/en/grassroots-push-law-to-ease-berlin-housing-crisis/a-18520497">http://www.dw.com/en/grassroots-push-law-to-ease-berlin-housing-crisis/a-18520497</a>.

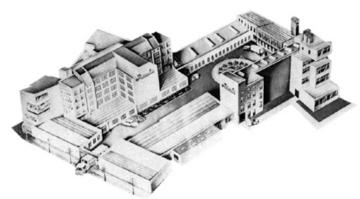
**TEXT** 

Optional

Pinder, David (2010): *Necessary Dreaming: Uses of Utopia in Urban Planning.* In: Jean Hillier and Patsy Healey, editors, Ashgate Research Companion to Planning Theory: Conceptual Challenges for Spatial Planning (Aldershot, Ashgate, 2010), pp. 343-364.

Session II 10.15 – 12.00 **Common Goods and Situational Urbanism** 

Site visit "Ex- Rotaprint" (Berlin-Wedding)



http://www.exrotaprint.de/

Session III 13.00 – 15.00

WATCH, LISTEN, TALK, COLLECT Research Excursion

**TEXT** 

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Michaelis, Tabea (2015): *Showtime Wilhelmsburg. A Randonée of Possibilities*, Leipzig, pp. 1—22.



## RESEARCH WORKSHOP

Wednesday, August 31

- Collaborative research workshop discussion of individual research proposals and methodological approaches
- Discussion about the output of the Summer School and the online visualization of the mapping and research material



## SUMMARY OF THE COURSE

Thursday, September 1

- Group work: Recap of the course content and looking forward
- Reflecting the role of the research(ers), designers, artist, architects in urban change
- Evaluation (Outdoor Venue)