A GIAN (MHRD) Course on
Urban Issues in a Globalized World
Jawaharlal Nehru University
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Overview
This course will examine issues in contemporary cities. The range of urban issues of concern includes, but is not limited to, housing needs, mobility and accessibility, ageing population, social equity, economic development, and environmental concerns. The course will present an overview of urban issues using examples from both India and North America. Select issues will be examined in greater detail. The course will be offered in a seminar format consisting of lectures, group discussions, fieldwork, and presentations.

Learning Outcomes
• Exposing the participants to a wide range of issues in contemporary cities that urban scholars, city planners and policy makers must be cognizant of;
• Building capability amongst the participants to research and analyse urban issues using empirical evidence;
• Enhancing skills of the participants to plan for improvement of quality of life in cities.

Topics Covered
The Urban Context of Planning, Factors that Shape Urban Spatial Structure, Landuse and Transportation, Land Economics, Community Design and Quality of Life, Emerging needs of both the Ageing Population and the Millennials, Neoliberal City and the Urban Poor.

Eligible Participants
• Students at postgraduate level (MA/MSc/MPhil /PhD)
• Faculty members from reputed academic institutions
• Urban planners working in the private sector or the public sector
• Professionals working in civil society organizations

Admission
The course has limited capacity. Preference will be given to candidates who demonstrate some knowledge of relevant urban issues through work experience or prior education.

Venue: Centre for the Study of Regional Development, School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi – 110067

Invited Instructor
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