

**URBAN AMERICA: CONSTRUCTION AND CONSEQUENCE**

**UPPP 104**

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**Course Description:**

Students in this course will examine the historical, social, political and economic factors that contributed to the construction of the American urban context as we know it – a context that is highly poverty concentrated and racially/ethnically segregated. Students will also critically assess the consequence of growing up in America’s urban neighborhoods as it relates to education, delinquency, health and other individual and group outcomes.

**Required Readings:**

- Katznelson, Ira. 2005. *When Affirmative Action was White: An Untold Story of Racial Inequality in Twentieth Century America*. W.W. Norton & Company.
- Rios, Victor. 2011. *Punished: Policing the Lives of Black and Latino Boys*. New York University