

## SYLLABUS DE COURS

<b>Intitulé du cours</b>	Comparative urban politics		
<b>Enseignant(e)</b>	Côme Salvaire		
<b>Champ disciplinaire</b>		<b>Mots clés</b>	
<b>Langue d'enseignement</b>	English	<b>Niveau</b>	Bachelor
<b>Semestre</b>	Semestre 1	<b>Nombre d'ECTS</b>	4 ECTS
<b>Volume d'heures</b>	18 heures	<b>Modalités d'examens</b>	A définir
<b>Descriptif</b>	<p>This course examines comparative politics through the prism of cities, analyzing how urban spaces both drive and reflect political and socio-economic transformations. Drawing on historical sociology, it reinterprets foundational political processes—such as the monopolization of violence and the construction of national authority—through the perspective of urbanization and state-city relations.</p> <p>The course explores diverse urban political traditions in Europe and around the world, comparing how historical and contemporary urban dynamics reshape political societies. Key topics include denationalization and decentralization, the rise of informality, extended urbanization, shifts in welfare provision and solidarity, the transformation of trust networks, and the political implications of environmental change.</p> <p>Throughout the semester, students will read and be (re)introduced to the works of some of the main social scientists of the twentieth and twenty-first centuries, including Max Weber, Norbert Elias, Fernand Braudel, Saskia Sassen, Diane Davis, Charles Tilly, Shmuel Eisenstadt, and Michel Foucault.</p>		
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