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| <b>Program</b>                        | Social Anthropology                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                  |                 |           |                   |              |
| <b>Course Title</b>                   | <b>Urban Anthropology</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                  |                 |           |                   |              |
| <b>Course Code</b>                    | SOAN2063                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                  |                 |           |                   |              |
| <b>Degree Program</b>                 | BA in Social Anthropology                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                  |                 |           |                   |              |
| <b>Module Name</b>                    | <b>Culture, Livelihoods and Economy</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                  |                 |           |                   |              |
| <b>Module Code</b>                    | SOAN-M2061                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                  |                 |           |                   |              |
| <b>Course Chair</b>                   | Consultation hours                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                  |                 |           |                   |              |
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| <b>Instructor/Tutor</b>               | Consultation hours                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                  |                 |           |                   |              |
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| <b>ECTS Credits (CP)</b>              | 5                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                  |                 |           |                   |              |
| <b>Contact Hours</b>                  | <b>Lecture</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>Practical</b> | <b>Tutorial</b> | <b>HS</b> | <b>Assessment</b> | <b>Total</b> |
|                                       | 48                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 0                | 0               | 52        | 35                | 135          |
| <b>Lecture Days, Hours &amp; Room</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                  |                 |           |                   |              |
| <b>Tutorial Days &amp; Hours</b>      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                  |                 |           |                   |              |
| <b>Target Group</b>                   | Second Year Social anthropology students                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                  |                 |           |                   |              |
| <b>Year/Semester</b>                  | Year II, semester I                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                  |                 |           |                   |              |
| <b>Pre-requisite</b>                  | Economic Anthropology                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                  |                 |           |                   |              |
| <b>Status of the Course</b>           | Core                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                  |                 |           |                   |              |
| <b>Mode of delivery</b>               | Semester based                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                  |                 |           |                   |              |
| <b>Course Description</b>             | <p>Urban anthropology is the study of human beings and their cultural institutions in cities. The focus of the course will be on urbanism (i.e., how large, dense, heterogeneous settlements shape behavior) and urbanization. We will look at the strategies people, both as individuals and in groups; use to cope with the demands posed by urban environments. The course considers the development and characteristics of urban societies and the cultures of modern cities; evaluates theories and methods for understanding the structure, function, and change in the social and cultural systems of the urban areas. Third World urbanization; urban development and problems of urbanization in Ethiopia will be given emphasis in the course. Classic and contemporary perspectives and works of influential thinkers on the historical, socio-political, cultural dimensions of urban and rural ways of life, problems facing the urban societies across time and space, urbanization processes in the Third World, the applications of this stream of anthropology in our contemporary world situations... etc will be addressed in this course.</p> |                  |                 |           |                   |              |
| <b>Course Objectives</b>              | <p>By the end of this course students will be able to:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Define basic terms in urban Anthropology</li> <li>➤ Explain the emergence and growth of urban anthropology as a sub-discipline in socio-cultural Anthropology</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                  |                 |           |                   |              |

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|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Discuss the basic similarities and differences between urban and rural way of life</li> <li>➤ Compare and contrast different theories of urban structure</li> <li>➤ Identify the causes for rural-urban migration and the ways of adaptation</li> <li>➤ Explain the process of third world Urbanization</li> <li>➤ Explain the basic problems of urban societies</li> </ul> |
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### SCHEDULES OF LECTURE TOPICS, ACTIVITIES AND READING

| Week | Lecture (hrs) | Conceptual Focus                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Activities/Tasks                                                                                                                                                             | Readings                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| 1    | 3             | <b>Chapter One: Urban Anthropology: An Overview</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Definition and Measurement of Concepts</li> <li>➤ Subject matter of Urban Anthropology</li> <li>➤ Basic premises</li> <li>➤ History of the Discipline</li> </ul> | Listen to lectures and take notes on the major elements of the lesson.<br>Take part on discussions                                                                           | Fuad&Joseph “Urban Sociology”pp.1-23<br>Hannerz “Exploring the City...”p.1<br>Basham “Urban Anthropology...”p.11<br>Low “Theorizing the City...”pp.383-409<br>David &Ember “Encyclopedia of cultural Anthropology”pp.1337-1343 |
| 2    | 3             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Methodology in Urban Anthropology</li> <li>➤ Research tradition and critics</li> <li>➤ Methods and ethics</li> <li>➤ Contemporary urban anthropology and anthropologists</li> </ul>                                  | Listen to lectures and take notes on the major elements of the lesson.<br>Answering and questioning on all confusing and doubtful elements of lecture topics and discussions | Fuad&Joseph “Urban Sociology”pp.1-23<br>Hannerz “Exploring the City...”p.1<br>Basham “Urban Anthropology...”p.11<br>Low “Theorizing the City...”pp.383-409<br>David &Ember “Encyclopedia of cultural Anthropology”pp.1337-1343 |
| 3    | 3             | <b>Chapter Two: Historical Perspective: Origin and Growth of Urban Centers</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Urbanization: An Overview</li> <li>➤ Origins of urbanization</li> <li>➤ The Basis of urbanization</li> </ul>                          | Listen to lectures and take notes on the major elements of the lesson.<br>Answering and questioning on all confusing and doubtful elements of lecture topics and discussions | Fuad&Joseph “Urban Sociology”pp.37-79<br>Tony, Barnett “Sociology and Dev....”pp.53-72<br>Walter& George “Urbanism and Urbanization”pp.1-16<br>Amrit “Urban Anthropology...”pp.1-13                                            |
| 4    | 3             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Distinct phases of urbanization</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

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|    |   | ➤ World's first cities                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 5  | 3 | <b>Chapter Three: Theories of urbanization</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Determinist Theory</li> <li>➤ Compositional Theory</li> <li>➤ Sub-cultural theory</li> </ul>                                                           | Listen to lectures and take notes on the major elements of the lesson. Answering and questioning on all confusing and doubtful elements of lecture topics and discussions | Fuad&Joseph "Urban Sociology"pp.37-79<br>Tony, Barnett "Sociology and Dev...."pp.53-72<br>Walter& George "Urbanism and Urbanization"pp.1-16<br>Amrit "Urban Anthropology..."pp.1-13 |
| 6  |   | <b>Chapter Four: Urbanization in Advanced and Developing Nations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ The world political situation</li> <li>➤ Forces of urbanization</li> <li>➤ Basic outlooks</li> </ul>                             | Listen to lectures and take notes on the major elements of the lesson. Answering and questioning on all confusing and doubtful elements of lecture topics and discussions | A handout will be given by the instructor                                                                                                                                           |
| 7  |   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Population and resources</li> <li>➤ Some differences in consequences</li> <li>➤ Urbanism in Developing Nations</li> </ul>                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                           | A handout will be given by the instructor<br>Tony, Barnett "Sociology and Dev...."pp.65-66                                                                                          |
| 8  | 3 | <b>Chapter Five: Urban societies and its consequences</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ The consequences of urbanism</li> <li>➤ Population settlement and social organization</li> <li>➤ Exploring realities of urbanism</li> </ul> | Listen to lectures and take notes on the major elements of the lesson. Answering and questioning on all confusing and doubtful elements of lecture topics and discussions | Fuad&Joseph "Urban Sociology"pp.37-79<br>Tony, Barnett "Sociology and Dev...."pp.53-72<br>Walter& George "Urbanism and Urbanization"pp.1-16<br>Amrit "Urban Anthropology..."pp.1-13 |
| 9  | 3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Urban Societies and the cultures of Modern Cities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Cities and societies</li> </ul> </li> </ul>                                                                | Listen to lectures and take notes. Answering and questioning on confusing points of lecture topics and discussions                                                        | Fuad&Joseph "Urban Sociology"pp.137-164<br>Deborah "Cities and Urban Cultures"p.123<br>Student Task:-reading and discussions                                                        |
| 10 | 3 | <b>Chapter Six: Cultural roles and primary urban types</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Regal-ritual cities</li> </ul>                                                                                                             | Listen to lectures and take notes. Answering and questioning on                                                                                                           | Deborah "Cities and Urban Cultures"pp.1-6,54-72<br>Suttles, Gerald. "Ecological Basis of Ordered                                                                                    |

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|    |   | ➤ Administrative cities                                                                                                                                   | confusing points of lecture topics and discussions                                                                   | Segmentation” pp. 13-38<br>King, “Urbanism, Colonialism and the World Economy”pp.1-50<br>Tony, Barnett “Sociology and Dev....”pp.187-254<br>Deborah “Cities and Urban Cultures”pp.93-112 |
| 11 | 3 | ➤ Mercantile cities<br>➤ Colonial cities<br>➤ Industrial cities                                                                                           | Listen to lectures and take notes<br>Answering and questioning on confusing points of lecture topics and discussions | Deborah “Cities and Urban Cultures”pp.1-6,54-72<br>Suttles, Gerald. “Ecological Basis of Ordered Segmentation” pp. 13-38<br>King, “Urbanism, Colonialism and the World Economy”pp.1-50   |
| 12 | 3 | <b>Chapter Seven: Basic Characteristics of Rural and Urban Areas: The Rural-Urban Differences</b><br>➤ Occupation<br>➤ Environment<br>➤ Size of community | Listen to lectures and take notes<br>Answering and questioning on confusing points of lecture topics and discussions | James “Urban geography...”pp.43-52                                                                                                                                                       |
| 13 | 3 | ➤ Density of population<br>➤ Heterogeneity and homogeneity of population                                                                                  |                                                                                                                      | James “Urban geography...”pp.43-52                                                                                                                                                       |
| 14 | 3 | ➤ Social differentiation and stratification<br>➤ Mobility<br>➤ Systems of Introduction                                                                    |                                                                                                                      | James “Urban geography...”pp.43-52                                                                                                                                                       |
| 15 | 3 | <b>Chapter Eight: Social problems in cities</b><br>➤ social problems<br>➤ Economic Problems<br>➤ political problems<br>➤ urbanism and deviant behavior    | Listen to lectures and take notes<br>Answering and questioning on confusing points of lecture topics and discussions | Oloo“Urbanization...”pp.42-340<br>Hand out will be prepared by the course instructor and given to students<br>Deborah “Cities and Urban Cultures”pp.32-40                                |
| 16 |   | Exam week feedback                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                          |

### Methods of Teaching and Assessment

1. The instructor will lecture on the most significant topics of the course. Students are expected to read related materials before lecture hours so that they will be ready for discussions and participations in the classroom.
2. Reading assignments will be given to strengthen the topics what they have learnt
3. Both individual and group assignments will be given. Students will submit their assignments by the due date. The group assignment will be followed by presentation.
4. Mid exam will be given at the middle of the course.
5. Regular class attendances, participations and class activities will be taken as part of the assessment.
6. Final exam will be administered per the schedule of the module

### **Distribution of Values for Assessment**

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| 1. Attendance & Class Participation..... | 10% |
| 2. Individual Assignment.....            | 10% |
| 3. Group Assignment .....                | 15% |
| 4. Tests.....                            | 10% |
| 5. Mid Exam .....                        | 15% |
| 6. Final Exam.....                       | 40% |

### **Course policy**

All Students are expected to abide by the code of conduct of students throughout this course. Academic dishonesty, including, Fabrication, cheating and plagiarism will not be tolerated and will be reported to concerned bodies for action.

Class activities will vary from day to day, ranging from lectures to discussions. Students will be active participants in the course. You need to ask questions and raise issues. The instructor expects you to do all the assignments you are supposed to accomplish. You are required to submit and present according to the time table indicated. The instructor will give the directions, if necessary, for the assignments one week prior to their due date though they are explained at each contents of your guide book.

Note on class attendance and participation: You are expected to attend class regularly. The instructor will take attendance on random days during the semester to ensure that students are coming to class. If you miss classes, your grade will be affected. If you miss more than 15% of the class attendance you will not sit for final exam. Please try to be on time for class. The instructor will not allow you enter, if you are late more than five minutes you must not disturb discussions knocking the door and go back to the library. The instructor will often ask questions during my lectures and active participation is essential.

Cell phones: cell phones must be switched off before you enter to class. So please make sure that your cell phone is turned off before you enter to the class room.

You are responsible for all class announcements and changes. All issues discussed in class and assignments are part of final exam question items. Please follow the instructions indicated at

each of the content of your course guide book to complete all the assignments provided whether they are to be performed individually or in group.

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