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Urban Studies Research Guide

Reference Books are shelved on the first floor of the Library. They are only available for use in the Library, so you will always be able to find them, any time the Library is open. Reference books provide an overview of a specific topic, outlining key concepts and core literature of that topic. They can be good starting points for research and often include sources for further study. Below are some Reference titles related to Urban Studies. You may find additional information by looking in the Reference stacks near each of these call numbers.

2006 County and City Extra: Annual Metro, City, and County Data Book, 14th Edition. Deirdre A. Gaquin and Katherine A. DeBrandt, Editors. Lanham, MD: Bernan Press, 2006. Reference HA203 .C68 2006. This annually updated work provides an extensive range of statistical information for every state, county, metropolitan area, congressional district and city (over 25,000 population) in the United States.

Encyclopedia of Community: From the Village to the Virtual World. Karen Christenson and David Levinson, Editors. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Reference Publications, 2003. Reference HM756 .E53 2003 v.1-4. Encyclopedia with entries pertaining to a wide variety of community-related topics, many of which are relevant to Urban Studies.

Encyclopedia of Urban Cultures: Cities and Cultures Around the World. Melvin Ember and Carol E. Ember, Editors. Danbury, CT: Grolier, 2002. Reference HT 108.5 E53 2002 v. 1-4. This encyclopedia set provides information about 240 major cities located around the world. Each entry discusses aspects of the particular city in terms of history, characteristics (geographic location, population, external relationships, etc.) infrastructure, cultural and social life, quality of life and contemporary challenges. The work is written from an Urban Anthropological perspective.

Urban Sprawl: A Reference Handbook. Donald C. Williams, Editor. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO Inc, 2000. Reference HT 384 .U5W55 2000. This work provides an introduction to the issue of Urban Sprawl. Included are definitions, a historical discussion of the issue, a chronology, an overview of competing schools of thought, a list of relevant laws and policy proposals from the state and federal level, a list of major advocacy groups working on sprawl issues, as well as a bibliography and glossary.

Encyclopedia of Urban America: The Cities and Suburbs. Neil Larry Shumsky, Editor. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 1998. Reference HT 123 E5 1998 v.1-2. This encyclopedia set provides entries pertaining to a wide variety of topics associated with urban issues in the United States. Entries focus upon major cities and suburbs; cultural, social, political and economic issues; environmental concerns, issues of transportation and infrastructure; ethnic and racial groups; the role of religion and important figures in urban politics, literature, the arts and music.

Information Sources in Urban and Regional Planning: A Directory and Guide to Reference Materials. Edward E. Duensing. New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers U. Reference HT 165.5 D87 1994. This work provides a comprehensive descriptive directory of sources for finding information on urban and regional planning topics. The reference sources covered in the work are divided into the following sections: dictionaries and glossaries of planning-related terms, indexes and abstracts to the literature in thirteen planning subfields, directories, consultants, associations, information resources, research centers, and government agencies and planning-related organizations, both public and private, by subfield.

The City: A Dictionary of Quotable Thoughts on Cities and Urban Life. James A. Clapp. New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers U, 1984. Reference HT 111. C576 1984. This work provides over 3,000 quotations pertaining to cities and urban life from ancient times to the contemporary era. The quotes cover urban life in both the U.S. and in different cities around the world.

Cities. Dwight W. Hoover. Bibliographic Guides for Contemporary Collections Series. New York: RR Bowker Company, 1976. Reference HT 123 .H66 1976. Work from the mid-1970s with bibliographic annotations of books and reference sources related to cities and urban life in America. This reference work is divided into the following subcategories of sources: race and ethnicity, housing, urban problems, transportation, urbanization and suburbanization, crime and the police, civil disorders, urban poverty, urban politics, urban theory, urban architecture, urban planning, urban sociology, urban geography, urban history, urban economics, and urban government.

Urban Affairs Bibliography: An Annotated Guide to Literature in the Field. Bernard H. Ross and A. Lee Fritschler, 1974. Washington D.C.: The American University, 1974. Reference HT 123 .R67

1974. An older, partially annotated guide to works in Urban Affairs. The guide to sources is subdivided into the following broad topical areas: urban government structure and politics, urban policy areas, intergovernmental relations, minority politics, public management and administration, urban planning, new towns, comparative urbanization, studies of specific cities and related work in the social sciences.

Comprehensive Urban Planning: A Selective Annotated Bibliography with Related Materials. Melville C. Branch, 1970. Beverly Hills, CA: Sage Publications, 1970. Reference HT166 .B7 1970 An older annotated guide to Urban Planning-related works. The reference guide is divided into the topical areas of background reading, the planning process, theory, information and communication, research and analysis, methodology, institutionalization, management and decision-making, effectuation (implementation and coordination), system elements, subsystems and particular forms of urban planning.

Books That Can Be Checked Out. "Circulating" books are shelved on the third floor of Bush Library. These books may be borrowed and taken away from the Library. Below are some tips for finding books with information on Urban Studies-related topics using the online library catalog or browsing the shelves by call number. You may find books listed in CLICnet that belong to other Libraries--read the screen carefully for instructions on how to "request" these books to Hamline so you can check them out. You may also visit any library listed in CLICnet and borrow books directly from that library using your Hamline i.d./library card.

Searching the library online catalog (CLICnet) using LC Subject Headings is often more effective than keyword searching.

Fairly extensive collections of books related to the following Subject Headings are available in Bush Library:

Urban Anthropology

Urban Ecology

Urban Economics

Urban Folklore

Urban Geography

Urban Health

Urban Planning

Urban Policy

Urban Poor

Urban Renewal

Urban Schools

Urban Transportation

Urban Youth

Urbanization

Cities and Towns

Cities and Towns Growth

Cities and Towns History

Cities and Towns in Art

Cities and Towns in Literature

Cities and Towns Medieval

Cities and Towns Mathematical Models

Cities and Towns Religious Aspects Christianity

Cities and Towns Research

Cities and Towns Statistics

Cities and Towns United States

Cities and Towns United States Growth

Cities and Towns United States History

Cities and Towns United States Statistics

Browsing by call number in the Library book stacks.

Books about Urban Issues are somewhat spread throughout the library, as they come from many disciplines. There are some call numbers that are browseable on the book shelves, though, for example:

HT .___ is the area where many on Urban Issues are shelved.

Online Indexes help you find information not often found in books. Usually, they list information published in newspapers, magazines, and scholarly publications ("journals"). These resources are accessed with a Web browser, but are accessible only to people coming from a Hamline computer, as they are subscription services. In some cases, you may access from offcampus with a special password; please inquire at the Reference Desk and have your i.d. available. Most online indexes include some articles in full text and some summaries of articles. In the latter case, you may need to find the article in a journal at Hamline or ask the Library to get a copy for you through InterLibrary Loan (ILL).

[Academic Search Premier \(EBSCO\)](#)

The world's largest academic multi-disciplinary database, Academic Search Premier provides full text for more than 4,600 scholarly publications, including full text for more than 3,500 peer-reviewed journals. Academic Search Premier is a useful place to start for a research paper related to Urban Studies issues as many relevant articles may be found in this comprehensive database. Searches may be limited by date of publication, the availability of full-text or to peer-reviewed journals.

[Expanded Academic ASAP Plus Index \(GALE/INFOTRAC\)](#)

Expanded Academic ASAP Plus Index is a comprehensive, interdisciplinary index containing both popular and scholarly articles related to Urban Studies topics. It is also a good starting point for any college research project. Expanded Academic ASAP Plus Index uses the subject headings used in CLICnet. Choosing to search the Subject Guide (in the left navigation bar) in the index allows you to retrieve all articles with a subject heading of "Urban Studies" or other related topic and then limit that search by: dates, whether or not full text is available and/or whether or not the articles are "refereed" (scholarly). You can also limit by another keyword or subject heading.

[Ethnic NewsWatch\(ENW\)](#)

ENW is an index to full-text articles from the newspapers, magazines and journals of the ethnic, minority and native press. It includes articles, editorials, columns, reviews, etc. providing a broad diversity of perspectives and viewpoints. It is especially useful for finding information in publications not usually included in more traditional indexes like Academic Search Premier or Expanded Academic ASAP Plus and for learning about an ethnic perspective in that group's own voice. ENW can be searched by words in article titles, named people, subject, date or the country that is the focus of the article.

[Urban Studies and Planning: A Sage Full-Text Collection](#)

Urban Studies and Planning: A SAGE Full-Text Collection (CSA Illumina) includes the full text of 12 journals published by SAGE and participating societies. It covers such subjects as Anthropology, Economic Development, Economics, Education, Environmental Science, Planning Pedagogy, Planning Practice, Planning Theory, Policy Analysis, Political Science, Public Administration, Regional Geography, Regional Science, Residential and Community Development, Social, Spatial, and Cultural Dynamics, Sociology, Urban and Regional Planning, Urban Culture, Urban Geography, Urban Policy, Urban Politics, and Welfare Economics.

The Index includes the following Journal titles:

Economic Development Quarterly (1987-Present)

Education & Urban Society (1968-Present)

Environment & Urbanization (1989-2005)

European Urban and Regional Studies (1997-Present)

International Regional Science Review (1980-Present)

Journal of Planning Education and Research (1997-Present)

Journal of Planning History (2002-Present)

Journal of Planning Literature (1985-Present)

Journal of Urban History (1982-Present)

Planning Theory (2002-2005)

Urban Affairs Quarterly/Urban Affairs Review (1981-Present)

Urban Education (1965-Present)

Sociological Abstracts

A lot of work in Urban Studies has a Sociology focus. CSA Sociological Abstracts abstracts and indexes the international journal literature in sociology and related disciplines in the social and behavioral sciences.

Selected Journals Available at Hamline Unless otherwise indicated, these journals are shelved in the journal collection on Bush Library's 2nd floor.

American City and County (Available in Bush Memorial Library's Past Periodicals Collection) (Available online in full-text with access from the Hamline University Library website from 01/01/1997 to present in Academic Search Premier, from 01/01/1997 to present in Business Source Premier, from 01/01/1997 to present in MasterFILE Premier and from 8/01/1989 to present in Expanded Academic ASAP).

Annals of Regional Science (Available online in full-text with access from the Hamline University Library website from 12/01/1967 to 1 year ago in Business Source Premier).

Canadian Journal of Urban Research (Available online in full-text with access from the Hamline University Library website from 6/01/2000 to present in Expanded Academic ASAP and from 8/01/2002 to 1 year ago in Academic Search Premier).

City (London, England). (Available online in full-text with access from the Hamline University Library website from 4/01/2000 to 1 year ago in Academic Search Premier).

City and Society (Available online in full-text with access from the Hamline University Library website from 6/01/1987 to present in Anthrosource).

Economic Development Quarterly (Available online in full-text with access from the Hamline University Library website from 1987 to present in Sage Urban Studies and Planning).

Education and Urban Society (Available online in full-text with access from the Hamline University Library website from 1968 to present in Sage Urban Studies and Planning).

Environment and Urbanization (Available online in full-text with access from the Hamline University Library website from 1989 to 2005 in Sage Urban Studies and Planning).

European Urban and Regional Studies (Available online in full-text with access from the Hamline University Library website from 1997 to present in Sage Urban Studies and Planning).

International Regional Science Review (Available online in full-text with access from the Hamline University Library website from 1989 to present in Sage Urban Studies and Planning).

Journal of Urban Planning and Development (Available online in full-text with access from the Hamline University Library website from 3/01/1995 to 1 year ago in Academic Search Premier).

Journal of Planning Education and Research (Available online in full-text with access from the Hamline University Library website from 1997 to present in Sage Urban Studies and Planning).

Journal of Planning History (Available online in full-text with access from the Hamline University Library website from 2002 to present in Sage Urban Studies and Planning).

Journal of Planning Literature (Available online in full-text with access from the Hamline University Library website from 1985 to present in Sage Urban Studies and Planning).

Journal of the American Planning Association (Available online in full-text with access from the Hamline University Library website from 01/01/1990 to present in Academic Search Premier, from 01/01/1990 to present in Business Source Premier, from 01/01/1990 to present in MasterFILE Premier and from 3/22/1992 to present in Expanded Academic ASAP).

Journal of Urban History (Available online in full-text with access from the Hamline University Library website from 1982 to present in Sage Urban Studies and Planning).

Planning (Chicago, IL, 1969). (Available online in full-text with access from the Hamline University Library website from 01/01/1992 to present in Expanded Academic ASAP, from 7/01/1993 to present in Academic Search Premier, from 7/01/1993 to present in Business Source Premier and from 7/01/1993 to present in MasterFILE Premier).

Planning Perspectives (Available online in full-text with access from the Hamline University Library website from 7/01/1996 to 1 Year Ago in Academic Search Premier and from 7/01/1996 to 1 Year Ago in Business Source Premier).

Planning Theory (London, England). (Available online in full-text with access from the Hamline University Library website from 2002 to present in Sage Urban Studies and Planning).

Planning Theory and Practice (Available online in full-text with access from the Hamline University Library website from 9/01/2000 to 1 Year Ago in Academic Search Premier).

Urban Affairs Quarterly (v.6(1970)-v. 30(1994)).

Urban Affairs Review (Formerly Urban Affairs Quarterly) (v.30(3)(Jan.1995)-v.36(4)(March 2001), (v.36(6)(July 2001)-Current). Urban Affairs Quarterly/Review is also available online in full-text with access from the Hamline University Library website from 01/01/1997 to 11/01/1998 in Expanded Academic ASAP and from 1981 to present in Sage Urban Studies and Planning.

Urban Anthropology (v.1(1972)-v.9(1980)).

Urban Anthropology and Studies of Cultural Systems and World Economic Development (Available online in full-text with access from the Hamline University Library website from 6/22/2000 to present in Expanded Academic ASAP).

Urban Education (v.38(1)(Jan. 2003-Jan.2006(v.41(1))). (Available online in full-text with access from the Hamline University Library website from 1965 to present in Sage Urban Studies and Planning).

Urban Forum (Available online in full-text with access from the Hamline University Library website from 01/01/2001 to 6 months ago in Academic Search Premier).

Urban History Review (Available online in full-text with access from the Hamline University Library website from 3/01/1996 to present in Expanded Academic ASAP).

Urban Policy and Research (Available online in full-text with access from the Hamline University Library website from 3/01/2002 to 1 Year Ago in Academic Search Premier).

Urban Review (Available online in full-text with access from the Hamline University Library website from 3/01/1997 to 1 Year Ago in Academic Search Premier).

Urban Studies (Harlow) (Available online in full-text with access from the Hamline University Library website from 4/01/1994 to 6/01/2000 in Expanded Academic ASAP, From 8/01/1993 to 1 Year Ago in Academic Search Premier, From 8/01/1993 to 1 Year Ago in Academic Search Premier and From 8/01/1993 to 1 Year Ago in Business Source Premier).

Web Sites

National Focus

[H-Urban Homepage](#) Discussion List-Servs on Urban-related scholarship.

[The Urban Institute](#) -Washington-D.C. based organization which publishes a wide range of studies on urban policy issues.

[U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development](#) - Website of HUD includes information about the agency's programs and program and policy-related reports.

[American Factfinder, U.S. Census Bureau](#) - Website of the Census Bureau with finding and mapping aids for locating a wide range of census data for cities, counties and other geographic entities

across the United States.

[American Planning Association](#) - Website of the professional association of American Urban and Regional Planners.

[Urban Planning, 1794-1918](#) - An anthology of articles, conference papers, and reports related to the historical development of urban planning, hosted and edited by John W. Reys, Professor Emeritus, Cornell University.

Local Focus

[City of Saint Paul](#) - Local Government Information Website includes links to official publications of the city government's various agencies.

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[Metropolitan Council](#) - Website for the Regional Planning Agency of the 7 County Minneapolis-St. Paul region includes Metro Council-produced policy reports on local planning issues along with links to the websites of other local government bodies in the metropolitan area including individual city and county websites.

[Minnesota State Demographer's Office](#) - The State Demographer's website includes population reports produced by the office as well as online guides to finding and mapping data for cities, counties and other geographic entities in Minnesota.

[Urban Studies Program, Hamline University](#) - Information about the Urban Studies program at Hamline University.

[Center for Urban and Regional Affairs, University of Minnesota](#) - The website of CURA includes links to many local research and policy reports published by the center over the past several years.

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