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# **FILM & THE CITY**



## **COURSE TRAILER**



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What makes a city a city? Is there something unique about urban life, in comparison to the way life is lived in rural areas and small towns? Only recently has over half of the world's population started to live in urban centers. What issues, if any, might have arisen from this development? In this course, we will think about and explore how sociology and related disciplines have approached the study of cities. We'll read classic and contemporary theorists on urban life and consider how cities shape the human experience. Then, we'll apply what we learn to consider the city as portrayed in film. Movies will become the lab where we grapple with the good, the bad, the ugly, and also the beauty of cities.