Urban Studies/Economics 142
Urban Development: China

Course Prerequisites: EC 111. Having had at least US 21 or 22 (or other urban studies course) would help.

Requirements: 1 - 2 exams (85% of grade equally split between exams and project/paper)
1 project or term paper
Class participation (15% of grade)

Materials: a) Naughton Reader
Part 1 at Bookstore
b) WebCT for US 142
c) Brown electronics library

A. Overview: Development and Cities

2) Economist, “Cities” 7/29/95 starts p. 3.

B. Background on China’s Economy

2) Naughton Reader
   Introduction
   Chapter 1 Geography
   Chapters 3-4 Socialist and Transition Eras

C. Background on Urban Issues in China

1) Naughton Reader
   Chapter 5: The Urban-Rural Divide

D. Migration, Urbanization, and Urban Labor Markets

E. Housing Markets


F. Migrants, Public Services and Housing


G. Local Democracy


H. Growing Pains


I. Shanghai


Projects: 2-3 person team. Make 1½ hour class presentation, with 10-15 page write-up.

Subjects: a) Aspects of local democracy


b) Urban problems (examples)

- independent research on
  - planning for auto traffic
  - crime
  - urban health care
  - urban pollution

c) Shanghai (examples)

- traffic planning in Shanghai
- crime prevention
- pollution abatement
- preservation in the Bund

d) Beijing Olympics

e) Urban Consumers