New York City: Urban Change in the City that Never Sleeps
New York City, United States

Term Offered:
Early Fall Start 2015

Approximate Dates of Instruction:
August 24, 2015 to September 19, 2015

Application Deadline:
February 27, 2015

Info session on Thursday, 1/29 from 1:30-2:30pm in the CHID Lounge (Padelford C101)

Using site-based research, our program in New York City will focus on the multifaceted concept of “urban change” as it intersects with three major sets of themes and questions: first, the ideas of place-formation, place-attachment, and preservation (i.e. whose vision of the neighborhood should be protected for the future, and how does this reflect on or express the identity of the communities who live and work there?); second, the question of economic development and “progress” (how is power distributed politically, economically, and socially with regards to change?); and third, the notion of everyday experience as key to our understanding of what it means to live in an ever-changing city (how is change or flux a part of our daily lives, and how do our surroundings enable or hinder our ability to deal with change?).

Through field trips, readings, meetings with local scholars, archivists, students, and architects, and by pursuing their own place-based projects, students will engage with the numerous ways that New York City has dealt -- and continues to grapple with -- change over the last century and a half. Our program will partner with the City College of New York, the New School, the New York Historical Society, and the Institute for Public Architecture to allow students to dialogue with experts and other students in the field of urban studies in New York.

Seminar readings will include key urban theorists such as Jane Jacobs, Lewis Mumford, Henri Lefebvre, Neil Smith, and Rem Koolhaas.

Courses:
- CHID 480: New York City: Urban Change in the City that Never Sleeps (5 credits)

Fulfills Requirements:
CHID Power & Difference
I&S Credit

Total Program Fees: 4300

*Note that the fees stated above do not include some additional costs, including, but not limited to: airfare, Study Abroad Insurance (about $42/month), and personal spending money. Remember that these costs will differ by program. Be sure to read our Fees, Financing, and Withdrawal information for details about the fee structure and payment schedule.

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