

 FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY	NEW COURSE PROPOSAL Graduate Programs		UGPC Approval _____ UFS Approval _____ SCNS Submittal _____ Confirmed _____ Banner Posted _____ Catalog _____	
	Department School of Urban and Regional Planning College College for Design and Social Inquiry <i>(To obtain a course number, contact erudolph@fau.edu)</i>			
Prefix URP Number 6719	<i>(L = Lab Course; C = Combined Lecture/Lab; add if appropriate)</i> Lab Code	Type of Course Lectures	Course Title Shared and Automated Transport: The Future of Urban Mobility	
Credits <i>(Review Provost Memorandum)</i> 3	Grading <i>(Select One Option)</i> Regular <input checked="" type="radio"/> Sat/UnSat <input type="radio"/>	Course Description <i>(Syllabus must be attached; see Guidelines)</i> The Future of Urban Mobility will engage students with the current state of knowledge regarding shared and automated transport modes, drawing from information about current professional practices as well as the research literature. As a seminar-style course, students will become acquainted with research methods and how they can be used to inform our understanding of emerging policy and planning issues surrounding new transportation modes.		
Effective Date <i>(TERM & YEAR)</i> Fall 2020	Prerequisites None		Corequisites None	Registration Controls <i>(Major, College, Level)</i>
<i>Prerequisites, Corequisites and Registration Controls are enforced for all sections of course</i>				
Minimum qualifications needed to teach course: Member of the FAU graduate faculty and has a terminal degree in the subject area (or a closely related field.)		List textbook information in syllabus or here Sperling, D. (2018). Three revolutions: Steering automated, shared, and electric vehicles to a better future. Washington DC: Island Press.		
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Shared and Automated Transport: The Future of Urban Mobility URP 6719

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Basic Course Information

The Future of Urban Mobility

Urban and Regional Planning 6719

Credit Hours: 3

Mondays 6:30-9:20 PM

Classroom: 285 Social Sciences (SO 44)

Spring 2020, Jan. 11th – May 8th

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Course Description and Goals

The Future of Urban Mobility will engage students with the current state of knowledge regarding shared and automated transport modes, drawing from information about current professional practices as well as the research literature. As a seminar-style course, students will engage in readings, discussions, and presentations to learn about these new modes and grapple with the emerging policy and planning issues surrounding them.

Shared modes include car sharing, bike sharing, ride sourcing/ride hailing, ride sharing, demand responsive transit, and more. Automated modes include semi-automated and fully automated vehicles (self-driving cars, but also self-driving buses, etc.) operating on public roadways or on dedicated guideways. We will also discuss connected vehicles, where vehicles transmit real-time information to each other and to surrounding infrastructure to improve safety and traffic flow.

Topics will include trends in shared and automated mobility, their observed and expected impacts on the transportation system and the environment, and the potential integration of these new modes with public transit.

As an advanced, seminar-style course, students will have the opportunity to engage directly with and critique the research literature. Students will develop a detailed case study of an existing shared mode and present the results of their case study to the class. Students will also address a research question of their own choosing through a semester-length term paper.

The goals of the Future of Urban Mobility course are:

- Learn about the current state of emerging shared transportation modes, including operational and user characteristics

- Learn about the current state and anticipated future state of automated and connected transport modes
- Understand the range of potential implications of shared and automated modes in terms of the sustainability and environmental impacts
- Identify and discuss the policy and planning challenges surrounding shared and automated modes
- Learn about and practice various methods for designing, analyzing, and influencing the future
- Apply appropriate quantitative and qualitative methods in researching existing transportation systems
- Develop research skills for independent inquiry into transportation operations and/or policy issues
- Discuss economic, social, and cultural factors in urban growth and change in relation to emerging transportation technologies and systems

Required Text

Sperling, D. (2018). Three revolutions: Steering automated, shared, and electric vehicles to a better future. Washington DC: Island Press.

Course Policies

Attendance Policy

Students are expected to attend all of their scheduled University classes and to satisfy all academic objectives as outlined by the instructor. The effect of absences upon grades is determined by the instructor, and the University reserves the right to deal at any time with individual cases of non-attendance.

Students are responsible for arranging to make up work missed because of legitimate class absence, such as illness, family emergencies, military obligation, court-imposed legal obligations or participation in University-approved activities. Examples of University-approved reasons for absences include participating on an athletic or scholastic team, musical and theatrical performances and debate activities. It is the student's responsibility to give the instructor notice prior to any anticipated absences and within a reasonable amount of time after an unanticipated absence, ordinarily by the next scheduled class meeting. Instructors must allow each student who is absent for a University-approved reason the opportunity to make up work missed without any reduction in the student's final course grade as a direct result of such absence.

Cell phone and laptop use during class time is not permitted, except when these resources are being used for a specific in-class exercise. We need you to be fully present to improve the learning experience for everyone. Your ideas are important and so I need you to be fully engaged during class time.

Complete all reading assignments in advance of the class. As a seminar-based course, we cannot have productive dialogue unless everyone has completed the readings in advance.

All assignments should be turned in on time or your grade will be penalized. Homework assignments will be penalized one letter grade per day late, with the first late day beginning at the time when the assignment is due. If an assignment is 10 days late, it automatically becomes a 0. If you know you

cannot meet a deadline, you should inform me well in advance and make a specific proposal about when you can complete the assignment by. I will allow for a certain amount of flexibility for those who plan and notify me in advance of difficult scheduling situations.

Respect for Diversity Statement

Our classroom and our university should always be spaces of mutual respect, kindness, and support for individuals regardless of race/ethnicity, nationality, gender, class, sexuality, religion, culture, age, or ability. It is expected that this be demonstrated in all written and verbal communications from the instructor to all students, from all students to their instructor, and between all students in the course.

Freedom from Discrimination, Harassment, and Violence

Should you ever need assistance or have concerns about discrimination, harassment, or violence, please access the resources available to you on campus. Please note that, because FAU faculty are considered “responsible employees” by the Department of Education, any disclosure of gender discrimination (including sexual harassment, sexual misconduct, and sexual violence) made to a faculty member must be reported by that faculty member to the university's Title IX coordinator. For more information on the campus policy regarding sexual misconduct, please see: <http://www.fau.edu/eic/title-ix/>.

Communication with the Instructor

All communications with the instructor (and with other students) should be professional in tone. Address people by their name (and title where appropriate), use complete sentences, and take the time to use correct grammar in email exchanges.

Please do not assume I am on call all day and night to answer questions! In general, I will respond to email inquiries within 24 hours. Before assignment deadlines and tests, I will try to respond to queries submitted before 9 PM on the day before these come due.

In addition, I am happy to meet with students to talk about general professional and academic concerns beyond the scope of this course during office hours. When we are talking about material outside the course, you may address me more informally.

Accommodation for Students with Disabilities

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act (ADAAA), students who require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to properly execute coursework must register with Student Accessibility Services (SAS) and follow all SAS procedures. SAS has offices across three of FAU's campuses – Boca Raton, Davie and Jupiter – however disability services are available for students on all campuses. For more information, please visit the SAS website at www.fau.edu/sas/.

It is a goal of this class to ensure that all students are encouraged to participate and engage as fully as possible. Therefore, if you have a physical or learning disability that requires accommodations, please let me know.

Religious Observances

If you have a religious observance that conflicts with required course activities, please let me know as soon as possible.

Mental Health

Life as a university student can be challenging physically, mentally and emotionally. Students who find stress negatively affecting their ability to achieve academic or personal goals may wish to consider utilizing FAU's Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) Center. CAPS provides FAU students a range of services – individual counseling, support meetings, and psychiatric services, to name a few – offered to help improve and maintain emotional well-being. For more information, go to <http://www.fau.edu/counseling/>

If you are unsure of where to seek help, please feel free to ask me and I will help you find the right venue for assistance. If you are undergoing a mental health issue and personal crisis and it is affecting your work in this course, please let me know in a way that is comfortable for you. You do not have to share the personal details of your situation to let me know that family or outside personal issues are impacting your ability to perform in this class.

Academic Integrity

Your assignments should be predominantly written in your own words. If you use outside sources of information for ideas of information, they should be cited. If you use sentences or significant portions of words taken verbatim from sources, they must be quoted and cited.

Students at Florida Atlantic University are expected to maintain the highest ethical standards. Academic dishonesty is considered a serious breach of these ethical standards, because it interferes with the University mission to provide a high-quality education in which no student enjoys an unfair advantage over any other. Academic dishonesty is also destructive of the University community, which is grounded in a system of mutual trust and places high value on personal integrity and individual responsibility. Harsh penalties are associated with academic dishonesty. For more information, see the Code of Academic Integrity in the University Regulations at

<http://www.fau.edu/regulations/chapter4/4.001 Code of Academic Integrity.pdf>.

Outside of exams, all assignments are “open book” and you may discuss them with anyone, including the primary instructor, in order to solicit general ideas and advice. You may discuss with your fellow students, how to approach an assignment, what data sources to use, what steps to pursue in data analysis, and so forth.

If you are unsure if your approach to an assignment or a test constitutes academic dishonesty, please consult with the instructor.

Assignments and Grading

Your grade will be comprised of the following:

Grade Component	Percentage
Participation	20%
Reading Summaries	20%
Shared Mobility System Paper and Presentation	30%
Term Paper	30%
Total	100%

Participation will be graded through attendance and participation in course discussions.

Every student will hand in 14 **Reading Summaries** during the course. Any assigned readings of **5 pages or more** can be the subject of a reading summary. Reading summaries must be printed and handed in at the start of class, though you should bring a second copy to refer to during class. Reading summaries should pay special attention to the research method used and its limitations.

The **Shared Mobility System Presentation** will be a presentation of an existing shared mobility system based upon your research. Primary research (i.e. a site visit) and secondary research should be completed where possible. The goal is to provide an overview of the current state of a shared mobility services and its opportunities and challenges for the future. A short written report should accompany the presentation.

The **Term Paper** will be a research paper conducted over the course of the entire term investigating a research question of the student's choice. A literature review to assess the current state of knowledge is required. Students must also lay out a research plan for gathering additional information beyond what is already known in their term paper.

Grading Policy

The primary purpose of grades is to provide you feedback so that you can become better at what you do!

If you want to become better at your work, you will continue to seek feedback and consider it thoughtfully over the course of your entire career. None of us ever reach perfection, and we can always perform better at some aspect of our work. Handling constructive criticism with poise is one of the most important marks of a mature professional.

Grading

Grades will be out of 100 possible points for the Homework, Midterm, and Final. The grade will be created by subtracting off points for each missing and/or incorrect item.

The Meaning of Letter Grades

The grading scheme:

A is for high quality, professional work. This work would satisfy a client or a supervisor in a work setting.

B is the grade for work which mostly meets expectations but is not fully up to professional quality. B+ indicates above average and B- indicates below average.

C is offered when the assignment has been completed but is lacking in some important aspect. For example, the writing is difficult to understand, or the presentation is disorganized, or perhaps an important table shows incorrect statistics.

D reflects a serious shortfall in meeting the assignment's expectations.

F is usually possible only if nothing is handed in, or if it is handed in so late as to be irrelevant. This grade may also be used for work that does not meet basic college-level requirements, i.e. it is not readable.

Schedule

Date	Topic	Readings and Assignments
01/13	History and Definitions for Shared Mobility Research Methods for The Future of Mobility	Dewey Rayle 2016 Lindsay 2018 SUMC 2015 pp. 3-16 SUMC 2017 (webpage)
01/20	MLK Holiday	
01/27	Vehicle Electrification	Three Revolutions, Chapter 2. Electric Vehicles
02/03	Introduction to Vehicle Automation	Three Revolutions, Chapter 4. Vehicle Automation Chronin 2016 (slides) Hughes 2017 Madrigal 2014 SAE International 2018
02/10	Transportation Network Companies/ Ride-Hailing	Three Revolutions, Chapter 3. Shared Mobility Clewlow Mishra 2017 Conway Salon 2018 Davidson 2017 Schneider 2019 Scott 2016
02/17	Bike Sharing and Micromobility	Chardon et al 2017 DePuis Greiss 2019 CityLab – The Bike Share Boom (webpage) Cohen 2017
02/24	Public Transit and New Mobility	Three Revolutions, Chapter 5, Transit Crist 2017 Hanna 2018 Webinar TCRP Research Report 204 Transit and TNC partnerships Woodman 2016
03/02	Public Policies for Shared and Automated Mobility	Three Revolutions, Chapter 6. Equity NACTO 2017 (Data sharing) NACTO 2018 (Shared active transportation) Shaheen Cohen 2018 Small Bliss 2019 SUMC 2017 (Twin Cities Plan) Zipper 2018
03/09	Spring Break	

03/16	Transition to AVs; Public Opinion	Bansal Kockelman 2017 Haboucha Ishaq 2017 Litman 2014 Schoettle Sivak 2016
03/23	AVs and Safety	Bliss 2018 Kalra 2016 USDOT ITS JPO Connected Vehicle Webpage + Videos US ITS JPO 2016 (Connected Vehicle Pilot Study) US ITS JPO 2017 (DSRC Fact Sheet)
03/30	Shared Automated Vehicles	Fagnant Kockelman 2018 Merlin 2019 Viegas Martinez 2016
04/06	Environmental Impacts	Haley Kwok 2017 Wadud Marsden 2017 Rodier 2018
04/13	Future for AVs/ Scenario Thinking	Calthorpe Walter 2017 Fulton Mason 2018 Roustan 2018 Whittle 2017 Townsend 2016
04/20	Congestion	Atkins 2016 Bliss 2017 Dougherty 2017 Hensher 2018 Shared Mobility Report Due
04/27	Student Presentations	Shared Mobility Presentation Due Term Paper Due

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