

# ANTH 401: Poverty, Power, and Urban Life

This course engages students in a critical examination of contemporary urban experiences with a focus on peoples living in the margins of large, dense urban communities, both inside and outside of North America. The course will address questions surrounding how the articulation of global and local markets affects the expression of traditional and modern identities, how underground or informal economies shape the creation of urban street life, and how children and adults actively pursue meaningful family life in contexts of extreme poverty. Readings will focus on cities in the Pacific basin.

**Units:** 3

**Prerequisites:**

[ANTH 100](#) or [ANTH 150](#) or [SOC 100](#), or Junior standing.

**Program:** [Anthropology](#)