

Poli 4487G: Experiential Course

The Real World of Urban Politics

Most Canadians now live in cities. Canada's cities are the sites of innovation, growth and prosperity; they are also the places where many of the most acute social and economic challenges are concentrated.

Are cities equipped to respond to the challenges of the 21st century? How do decisions actually get made? Who holds power in cities, and who doesn't.

This course provides a unique opportunity to examine the 'real world' of urban politics in Canada. Learn about the dynamics of urban governance, while exploring as an intensive real time case study the contemporary politics of the city of London. By the conclusion of the course, students will have a deeper understanding of local government, urban politics, and the challenges facing Canada's cities.

Instructor: Dr. Kate Graham (0.5 credit)

Application Process

To be considered for this course students should send the following to **Jessica Sommers**

(jessica.sommers@Kings.uwo.ca) as soon as possible:

- A copy of their c.v./resume
- A copy of their unofficial transcript
- A 500-word statement answering the question: "What should cities do to address their most acute challenge?"

Email subject line **must** read: 'Pol 4487G Application'

Contact:

Dr. Jacquie Newman
(jnewman@uwo.ca) for information on prerequisites, permissions, or if you have any other questions.

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