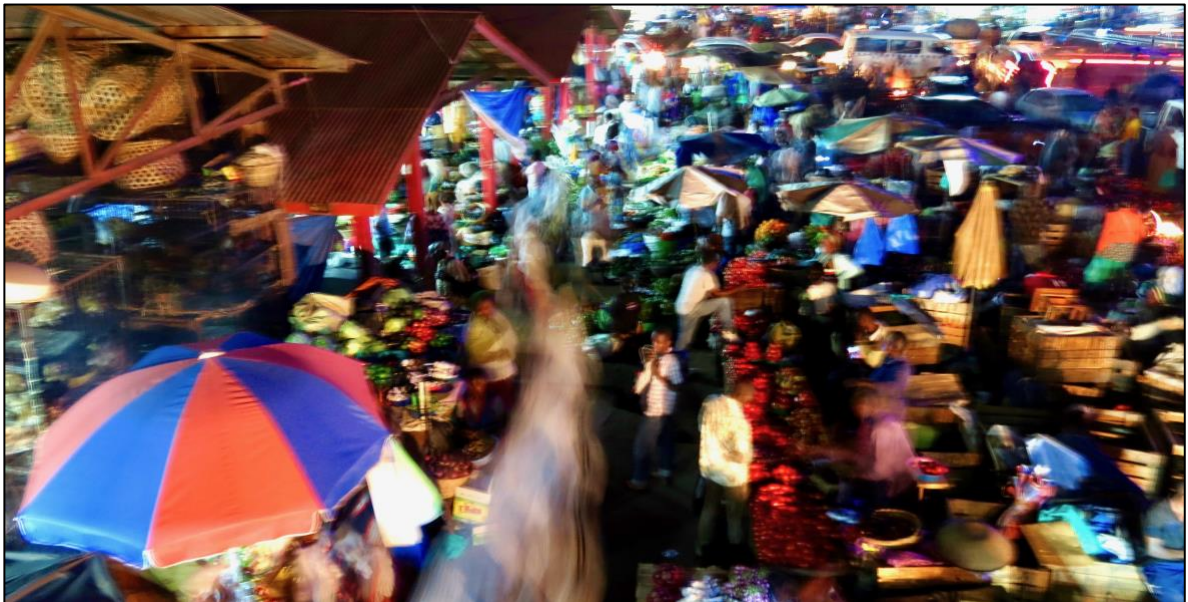# GEG6151

Urban African Economies

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URBAN AFRICAN ECONOMIES

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

Conventional social science has tended to downplay the creativity of urban African societies and economies as well as their 'capacity to produce metaphors for their own possible futures' (Sarr 2020). Combining approaches from urban, economic and development geography, this module provides students with a critical and historically grounded understanding of urban African economies. It revitalises debates on work, value and exchange through an engagement with local expressions of informality, hustle and solidarity entrepreneurship.

Drawing upon insights from academia, policy, film and the media, the module explores the following questions:

- What are the historical drivers of urbanisation and urban economy in Africa?
- What are the key challenges for African urban economies today?
- How are these challenges represented, understood and experienced by different groups?
- What insights might African cities provide for thinking 'the economy' differently?

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Students will be expected to actively participate in lectures and seminars through written input, group discussions, and verbal presentations. In return, they will learn about key debates and trends relating to urban economies in Africa. In particular, students will acquire and develop:

1. An ability to analyse and critique conventional representations of African cities

2. An understanding of the ways in which African cities have been shaped by global and historical processes

3. An awareness of relationships between local, national and international actors and institutions, and their influence on urban development processes

4. Interpretive skills, demonstrated through the appropriate application of concepts to particular situations

5. Comparative skills, demonstrated through the appropriate comparison of different contexts

6. Writing skills, demonstrated through the arguments and syntheses of information for academic and non-academic audiences

SUGGESTED PRE-REQUISITES

GEG5128: Spaces of Uneven Development

ASSESSMENT

The module will be assessed as follows:

- Coursework (100%) You will complete a coursework assignment of 3,000 words responding to one of several questions raised in the lectures. The coursework questions will be released in advance of Reading Week.

GUIDANCE AND FEEDFORWARD

Students can receive guidance on the assessment by making an appointment with Dr. Will Monteith or attending Advice and Feedback Hours. Feedback will be provided on ideas and draft essay answers in lectures. Students will also be provided with an opportunity to receive feedback on an essay plan in advance of the final assessment deadline.

STRUCTURE OF THE MODULE

The module will be delivered through a combination of lectures and seminars. Seminars will follow an interactive and participatory format so students should arrive prepared to discuss the key readings. Lectures are recorded and available on QMPlus. Seminars are discussion-based and not recorded.

Lectures

Week 1: *Introduction: Researching and representing urban Africa*

Week 2: *Colonialism*

Week 3: *Globalisation*

Week 4: *Sport*

Week 5: *Hustle*

Week 6: *Film Screening*

Week 7: READING WEEK

Week 8: *Infrastructure*

Week 9: *Housing*

Week 10: *Waste*

Week 11: *Futures*

Week 12: REVISION

CORE READING LIST

Books

Adebanwi, Wale, 2017 (ed). *The Political Economy of Everyday Life in Africa: Beyond the Margins*, Woodbridge: Boydell & Brewer

Comaroff, Jean, and John L. Comaroff. 2012. *Theory from the South: Or, How Euro- America Is Evolving Toward Africa*. New York: Routledge.

Ferguson, James, 2006. *Global Shadows: Africa in the Neoliberal World Order*. Durham: Duke University Press

Freund, Bill. 2007. *The African City: A History*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press

Myers, Garth. 2011. *African Cities: Alternative Visions of Urban Theory and Practice*. London: Zed Books

Parnell, Susan and Edgar Pieterse (eds.) 2014. *Africa's Urban Revolution,* London: Zed Books.

Pieterse, Edgar and Ntone Njabe (eds). 2009. *The African Cities Reader* (I, II & III), Johannesburg: African Centre for Cities

Pieterse, Edgar and Simone, AbdouMaliq. 2013. *Rogue Urbanism: Emergent African Cities*. Johannesburg: Jacana Publishers in association with African Centre for Cities.

Sarr, Felwine (2019) *Afrotopia*, London and Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press

Simone, AbdouMaliq, 2004. *For the City Yet to Come: Changing African Life in Four Cities*, Durham and London: Duke University Press.

Journals

Africa

African Affairs

African Studies Review

Antipode

Critical African Studies

Environment and Urbanization

Geoforum

International Journal of Urban and Regional Research

International Development Planning Review

Journal of Modern African Studies

Review of African Political Economy

Urban Studies

Blogs and journalism

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[Africa Research Institute](#)

[AFRICAN URBANISM](#)

[Cityscapes](#)

[Chimurenga](#)

[UrbanAfrica.net](#)

Novels

Abouet, Marguerite, 2007. *Aya* (graphic novel illustrated by Clément Oubrerie), Jonathan Cape

Adichie, Chimamanda Ngozi, 2006. *Half of a Yellow Sun*, Fourth Estate

Beukes, Lauren, 2010. *Zoo City*, Angry Robot

Cole, Teju, 2007. *Everyday is for the Thief*, Faber & Faber

Huchu, Tendai, 2010. *The Hairdresser of Harare*, Freight books

Mabanckou, Alain, 2009. *Broken Glass*, Serpent's Tail

Mujila, Fiston Mwanza, 2014. *Tram 83*, Deep Vellum Publishing

Sara-Wiwa, Noo, 2012. *Looking for Transwonderland: Travels in Nigeria*, Granta

Films

Black Panther (2018), Dir: Coogler, 134 mins

Concerning violence (2014), Dir: Olsson, 90 mins

Lagos / Koolhaas (2003), Dir: van der Haak, 54 mins

Market Imaginary (2013), Dir: Grabski, 54 mins

Queen of Katwe (2016), Dir: Nair, 124 mins

Rafiki (2018)*,* Dir: Kahiu, 83 mins

The Tower (2016), Dir: De Boeck & Baloji, 70 mins

Tsotsi (2006), Dir: Hood. 95 mins

Week 1: Researching and Representing Urban Africa

Key readings

Wainaina, Binyavanga, 2006. 'How to write about Africa', *Granta* 92 [Online]

Pierre, Jemima. 2018. 'Africa/African' in Desai, Gaurav and Adeline Masquelier (eds). *Critical Terms for the Study of Africa*, Chicago: University of Chicago Press (pp.12-26)

Further reading

Beresford, Alexander. 2016. 'Editorial: Africa Rising?' *Review of African Political Economy* 43 (147): 1-7

Daley, Patricia and Amber Murrey, 2022. 'Defiant scholarship: Dismantling coloniality in contemporary African geographies'. *Singapore Journal of Tropical Geography* 43(2):159-176

Desai, Gaurav and Adeline Masquelier. 2018. 'Introduction' in *Critical Terms for the Study of Africa*, Chicago: University of Chicago Press (pp. 1-11)

Dunn, Kevin. 2004. 'Fear of a Black Planet: Anarchy, anxieties and postcolonial travel to Africa' *Third World Quarterly* 25 (3): 483-499

Ferguson, James. 2006. *Global Shadows: Africa in the Neoliberal World Order*. Durham: Duke University Press (Introduction: pp. 1-24)

Gabay, Clive. 2018. *Imagining Africa: Whiteness and the Western Gaze*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press (Chapter 1: 'Whiteness, the Western gaze and Africa', pp. 1-48).

Harrison, Graham. 2012. 'Campaign Africa: Exploring the Representation of Africa and its Role in British Identity, *The British Journal of Politics and International Relations* 15 (4): 528-547.

Mazrui, Ali. 2005. 'The Re-Invention of Africa: Edward Said, V. Y. Mudimbe, and beyond,' *Research in African Literatures* 36 (3): 68-82

Mbembe, Achille and Sarah Nutall, 2004. 'Writing the World from an African Metropolis', *Public Culture* 16 (3): 347-372.

Myers, Garth A. 2011. 'Introductory Human Geography Textbook Representations of Africa', *The Professional Geographer*, 53 (4): 522-532

Myers, Garth. 2011. *African Cities: Alternative Visions of Urban Theory and Practice*. London: Zed Books (Chapter 1: 'What if the Postmetropolis is Lusaka?')

Nothias, Toussaint. 2014. ''Rising', 'Hopeful', 'New': Visualising Africa in the Age of Globalization. *Visual Communication* 13(3) 323-339.

Pieterse, Edgar and Ntone Njabe (eds). 2006. *The African Cities Reader* I, Johannesburg: African Centre for Cities [Preface and Chapter 1: Lagos: A Pilgrimage in Notations]

Royal Geographical Society. 2021. All Party Parliamentary Group Enquiry on Africa and its diaspora in the UK School Curricula, Royal Geographical Society [Online]

Sarr, Felwine. 2019. *Afrotopia*. London and Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press [Chapter 1: 'Against the tide' pp.1-11 and Chapter 3: 'The question of the economy' pp.28-61]

UN Habitat. 2018. *The State of African Cities: The Geography of African Investment*. Nairobi, Kenya: UN Habitat. [Online] (Executive Summary)

Week 2: Colonialism

Key readings

Fanon, Franz, 1963. *The Wretched of the Earth*, New York: Grove Press. (Chapter 1: 'On violence' pp. 1-62)

Further reading

Brown, Stephanie, 2014. 'Planning Kampala: Histories of Sanitary Intervention and In/formal Spaces', *Critical African Studies*, 6 (1): 71–90.

Comaroff, Jean, and John L. Comaroff. 2018. 'Colonialism' in Desai, Gaurav and Adeline Masquelier (eds). 2018. *Critical Terms for the Study of Africa*, Chicago: University of Chicago Press (pp. 69-85)

Cooper, Frederick. 1996. *Decolonization and African Society*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press

Coquery-Vidrovitch, Catherine, 2005. *The History of African Cities South of the Sahara: From the Origins to Colonization*, Princeton: Markus Wiener

Ekeh, Peter. 1975. 'Colonialism and the Two Publics in Africa: A Theoretical Statement'. *Comparative Studies in Society and History* 17 (1): 91-112.

Fourchard, Laurent. 2011. "Between World History and State Formation: New Perspectives on Africa's Cities." *The Journal of African History* 52 (2): 223–48.

Freund, Bill. 2007. *The African City: A History*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press (Chapter 3: 'Colonialism and urbanisation': pp. 65-106)

Herz, Manuel. 2018. 'Highway Africa', *African Mobilities* (Online)

King, Anthony, 1990. *Urbanism. Colonialism, and the World-Economy. Cultural and Spatial Foundations of the World Urban System*, New York: Routledge.

Manzo, Kate. 2013. 'Do colonialism and slavery belong in the past?' in Edkins, Jenny and Zehfuss, Maja (eds) *Global Politics: A New Introduction*. Chapter 11: 244-270.

Mamdani, Mahmood, 1996. *Citizen and Subject : Contemporary Africa and the Legacy of Late Colonialism*, Chichester: Princeton University Press . ('Introduction: Thinking through Africa's Impasse', pp. 3-34)

Mbembe, Achille. 1992. 'Provisional Notes on the Postcolony,' *Africa* 62 (1): 3-37

Mudimbe, V. Y. 1988. *The Invention of Africa: Gnosis, Philosophy, and the Order of Knowledge*. Bloomington: Indiana University Press.

Myers, Garth. 2003. *Verandas of Power. Colonialism and Space in Urban Africa*, New York: Syracuse

Rakodi, Carole. 1986. 'Colonial Urban Policy and Planning in Northern Rhodesia and its Legacy.' *Third World Urban Planning Review* 8(3): 193-217.

Salau, Ademola. 1979. 'The Urban Process in Africa: Observations on the Points of Divergence from the Western Experience.' *African Urban Studies* 4: 27-34

Simon, David, 1989. 'Colonial Cities, Postcolonial Africa and the World Economy: A Reinterpretation', *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research*, 13.1 (1989), 68–91 **Week 3:**

Globalisation

Key readings

Ferguson, James. 2006. *Global Shadows: Africa in the Neoliberal World Order*. Durham: Duke University Press (Chapter 1: 'Globalizing Africa?', pp. 25-40)

Further reading

Benit, Claire and Philippe Gervais-Lambony. 2005. 'The Poor and the Shop Window: Globalisation, a Local Political Instrument in the South African city?' *Transformation: Critical Perspectives on Southern Africa* 57: 1-23

De Boeck, Filip and Francoise Plissart, 2004. *Kinshasa: Tales of the Invisible City*, Tervuren and Ludion: Royal Museum of Central Africa and Vlaams Architectuureninstituut Vai

Faria, Caroline. 2013. 'Styling the nation: fear and desire in the South Sudanese beauty trade', *Transactions of the Institute of British Geographers* 39(2): 318-330

Grant, Richard, 2009. *Globalizing City: The Urban and Economic Transformation of Accra, Ghana*, New York: Syracuse

Jenkins, Paul and Peter Wilkinson. 2002. 'Assessing the growing impact of the global economy on urban development in Southern African cities: Case studies in Maputo and Cape Town, *Cities* 19 (1): 33-47

Matlon, Jordana. 2014. "Narratives of modernity, masculinity and citizenship amid crisis in Abidjan's *Sorbonne*." *Antipode* 46(3):717-735.

Mainet, Hélène. and Racaud, Sylvain. 2015. 'Secondary towns in globalization: challenged position or inconspicuous key role? Lessons from East Africa', *Articulo, Journal of Urban Research* 12

Meagher, Kate, Mann, Laura and Maxim Bolt (2016) 'Introduction: Global Economic Inclusion and African Workers', *The Journal of Development Studies* 52 (4): 471-482

Newell, Sasha. 2012. *The Modernity Bluff: Crime, Consumption and Citizenship in Cote D'Ivoire*, Chicago: University of Chicago Press

Nuttall, Sarah and Achille Mbembe, 2008. *Johannesburg: The Elusive Metropolis.* Johannesburg and Durham NC: Witwatersrand University Press and Duke University Press

Quayson, Ato. 2010. 'Signs of the Times: Discourse Ecologies and Street Life on Oxford St., Accra', *City and Society*, 22 (1): 72–96

Parnell, Susan and Jennifer Robinson. 2012. '(Re)theorizing cities from the global South: Looking beyond neoliberalism', *Urban Geography* 33 (4): 593-617

Simone, AbdouMaliq, 2001. 'On the Worlding of African Cities', *African Studies Review*, 44 (2): 15–41

Weiss, Brad, 2009. *Street Dreams and Hip Hop Barbershops: Global Fantasy in Urban Tanzania* Bloomington: Indiana University Press

Weiss, Brad. 2003. *Sacred Trees, Bitter Harvests: Globalizing coffee in northwest Tanzania*. Portsmouth, NH: Heinemann, 2003.

Week 4: Sport

Key readings

Baller, Susann & Cornelissen, Scarlett. 2011. Prologue: Sport and the City in Africa, *The International Journal of the History of Sport* 28(15): 2085-2097

Further reading

Akpabli, Kofi. 2023. Young Africans supporting European clubs: the case of football fans from Accra, Ghana, *Critical African Studies* 15(2): 205-220

Bale, John & Sang, Joe.1997. *Kenyan Running: Movement Culture, Geography and Global Change*, London: Routledge

Darby Paul; Esson, James and Ungruhe, Christian. 2022. *African Football Migration: Aspirations, Experiences and Trajectories.* Manchester University Press.

Esson, James**.** 2015. You have to try your luck: male Ghanaian youth and the uncertainty of football migration, *Environment and Planning A,* 47(3): 1383-1397

Esson, James**.** 2013. A body and a dream at a vital conjuncture: Ghanaian youth, uncertainty and the allure of football, *Geoforum* 47: 84-92

Guest, Andrew M. 2009. The diffusion of development-through-sport: analysing the history and practice of the Olympic Movement's grassroots outreach to Africa, *Sport in Society* 12(10): 1336-1352,

Hayhurst, Lindsay. M.C. 2013. Girls as the 'New' Agents of Social Change? Exploring the 'Girl Effect' through Sport, Gender and Development Programs in Uganda, *Sociological Research Online* 18(2): 192-203.

Jeanes, Ruth & Magee, Jonathan. 2013. Promoting Gender Empowerment through Sport? Exploring the Experiences of Zambian Female Footballers. In: Schulenkorf, N., Adair, D. (eds) *Global Sport-for-Development.* Global Culture and Sport Series. Palgrave Macmillan, London.

Kovač, Uroš. 2023. 'A place for training, not for competition': negotiations of competition and agency among long-distance runners in Kenya, *Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute* 29(3): 648-669

Levermore, Roger. 2011. Sport-for-Development and the 2010 Football World Cup, *Geography Compass* 5(12): 886-897

Merrett, Christopher. 2007. Sport, Segregation and Space: The Historical Geography of Physical Recreation in the South African City of Pietermaritzburg, *Geography Compass* 5(1): 1-10

Pillay, Udesh & Bass, Orli. 2008. Mega-events as a Response to Poverty Reduction: The 2010 FIFA World Cup and its Urban Development Implications, *Urban Forum* 19: 329-346

Vokes, Richard. 2010. Arsenal in Bugamba: the rise of English Premier League football in Uganda, *Anthropology Today* 26(3): 10-15

Week 5: Hustle

Key readings

Thieme, Tatiana, 2018. 'The Hustle Economy: Rethinking geographies of informality and getting by,' *Progress in Human Geography,* 42 (4): 529-548

Further reading

Agbiboa, Daniel A. 2022. They Eat Our Sweat: Transport Labor, Corruption, and Everyday Survival in Urban Nigeria, Oxford: Oxford University Press

Amankwaa, Ebenezer Forkuo; James Esson and Katherine V. Gough. 2020. Geographies of youth, mobile phones, and the urban hustle, *The Geographical journal* 186(4): 362-374

Cassiman, Ann. 2019. 'Spiders on the world wide web: Cyber trickery and gender fraud among youth in an Accra zongo', *Social Anthropology*, 27 (3), 486-500

Di Nunzio, Marco. 2012. '"We Are Good at Surviving": Street Hustling in Addis Ababa's Inner City', *Urban Forum* 23: 433–447

Di Nunzio, Marco, 2019. *The Act of Living: Street Life, Marginality, and Development in Urban Ethiopia*. Ithaca, N.Y.: Cornell University Press

Kinyanjui, Mary Njeri. 2019. *African Markets and the Utu-buntu Business Model: A Perspective in Economic Informality in Nairobi*, Cape Town: African Minds [Introduction and Chapter 7: The Utu-Ubuntu Business Model]

Monteith, William. 2021. 'We are Taught to Act: Hustling on the Move in Kampala and Nairobi', *Africa* 91(1): 95-112

Jones, Jeremy. 2010. 'Nothing Is Straight in Zimbabwe': The Rise of the Kukiya-Kiya Economy 2000–2008.' *Journal of Southern African Studies* 36 (2): 285–99

Matlon, Jordana 2015. "This is how we roll: Peripheral black masculinity and the status economies of bus portraiture." *Laboratorium* 7(2):62-82.

Matlon, Jordanna. 2016. 'Racial Capitalism and the Crisis of Black Masculinity', *American Sociological Review* 81 (5): 1014-1038

Mains, Daniel. 2007. 'Neoliberal times: Progress, boredom and shame among young men in urban Ethiopia,' *American Ethnologist* 34 (4): 659–673

Newell, Sasha. 2012, *The Modernity Bluff: Crime, Consumption and Citizenship in Cote D'Ivoire*, Chicago: University of Chicago Press (Chapter 2: 'Bizness and 'Blood Brothers'')

Simone, AbdouMaliq, 2011. 'Deals with Imaginaries and Perspectives: Reworking Urban Economies in Kinshasa', *Social Dynamics* 37 (1): 111-124

Van Stepele, Naomi. 2021. 'Providing to Belong: Masculinities, Hustling and Economic Uncertainty in Nairobi 'Ghettos'', *Africa* 91(1): 57-76

Thieme, Tatiana. 2021. 'Youth are Redrawing the Map': Temporalities and Terrains of the Hustle Economy in Mathare, Nairobi, *Africa* 91(1): 35-56

Week 6: Film Screening

This week we will watch a recent short film set in an African city in the lecture and discuss the film in the seminars. You will have the opportunity to vote on which film we will watch in Week 5.

Week 7: Reading Week

Week 8: Infrastructure

Key readings

Lowhan, Mary; Nilsson, David; Silver, Jonathan; Ernstson, Henrik and Shuaib Lwasa. 2018. 'Thinking through hetereogenous infrastructure configurations', *Urban Studies* 55(4) 720–732

Further reading

Gandy, Matthew, 2006. 'Planning, Anti-planning and the Infrastructure Crisis Facing Metropolitan Lagos.' *Urban Studies* 43 (2): 371-396.

Goodfellow, Tom. 2020. 'Finance, infrastructure and urban capital: the political economy of African 'gap-filling'', *Review of African Political Economy* 47(164): 256-274

Goodfellow Tom and Zhengli Huang. 2020. 'Contingent infrastructure and the dilution of 'Chineseness': roads, rail and repurposing in Kampala and Addis Ababa'. *Environment and Planning A* 53(4): 655-674

Guma, Prince. 2020. Incompleteness of urban infrastructures in transition: Scenarios from the mobile age in Nairobi, *Social Studies of Science* 50(5): 728-750

Guma, Prince and Jochen Monstadt. 2020. Smart city making? The spread of ICT-driven plans and infrastructures in Nairobi, *Urban Geography* 42(3): 360-381

Gillespie, Tom, 2016. 'Accumulation by urban dispossession: Struggles over urban space in Accra, Ghana', *Transactions of the Institute of British Geographers* 41 (1): 66-77

Kareem, Buyana and Shuaib Lwasa. 2014. 'Gender responsiveness in infrastructure provision for African cities: The case of Kampala in Uganda.' *Journal of Geography and Regional Planning* 7(1): 1-9

Rao, Vyjayanthi; De Boeck, Filip and AbdouMaliq Simone. 2009. 'Urbanism beyond architecture: African cities as infrastructure', in Pieterse, Edgar and Ntone Njabe (eds). *African Cities Reader* I; pp. 23 - 40

Silver, Jonathan. 2014. 'Incremental infrastructures: material improvisation and social collaboration across post-colonial Accra', *Urban Geography*, 35(6): 788-804

Silver, Jonathan. 2016. 'Disrupted Infrastructures: An Urban Political Economy of disrupted electricity in Accra, Ghana', *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research* 984-1003

Simone, AbdouMaliq, 2004. 'People as Infrastructure: Intersecting Fragments in Johannesburg'. *Public Culture*, 16 (3): 407-429

Simone, AbdouMaliq. 2014. 'Infrastructure, real economies and social transformation: assembling the components for regional urban development in Africa' in Parnell, Susan and Edgar Pieterse (eds.) 2014. *Africa's Urban Revolution,* London: Zed Books.

Tavengwa, Tau and Léonie Newhouse, 2017. 'The Corridor: How the East African corridor spanning the Indian ocean from Somalia to South Africa is being radically re-shaped', Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity in association with Cityscapes Magazine ([Online](#))

Wiig, Alan and Jonathan Silver. 2019. 'Turbulent presents, precarious futures: urbanization and the deployment of global infrastructure', *Regional Studies* 53(4): 1-12

Week 9: Housing

Key readings

Davis, Mike. 2006. *Planet of Slums*, London: Verso (Chapter 1 'The Urban Climacteric' and Chapter 2 'The Prevalence of Slums'). See also Tom Angotti's critical review of the book.

Further reading

Chant, Sylvia, and Cathy McIlwaine, 2016. 'Gendered access to land and housing in cities and slums' in *Cities, Slums and Gender in the Global South: Towards a Feminised Urban Future*, Routledge, London: 71-92

Ebekozien, Andrew. 2021. 'Homeownership in a Sub-Saharan Africa City: Exploring Self-help via Qualitative Insight to Achieve Sustainable Housing' *Housing and SDGs in Urban Africa* (Online First): 219–235

Fox, Sean, 2014. 'The Political Economy of Slums: Theory and Evidence from Sub-Saharan Africa', *World Development*, 54: 191–203

Gatabaki-Kamau, Rose and Karirah-Gitau, Sara. 2004. 'Actors and interests: The development of an informal settlement in Nairobi, Kenya' in Hansen, Karen T. & Vaa, Mariken (Eds.) *Reconsidering Informality: Perspectives from Urban Africa*, Uppsala: Nordiska Afrikainstituet: 158-175

Gillespie, Tom, 2016. 'Accumulation by urban dispossession: Struggles over urban space in Accra, Ghana' *Transactions of the Institute of British Geographers* 41(1): 66-77

Goebel, Alison. 2007. Sustainable urban development? Low-cost housing challenges in South Africa, *Habitat International* 31(3-4): 291-302

Goodfellow, Tom. 2017. 'Urban Fortunes and Skeleton Cityscapes: Real Estate and Late Urbanization in Kigali and Addis Ababa'. *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research* 41 (5): 786-803

Leduka, Resetselemang C. 2004. 'The law and access to land for housing in Maseru, Lesotho in Hansen, Karen T. & Vaa, Mariken (Eds.) *Reconsidering Informality: Perspectives from Urban Africa*, Uppsala: Nordiska Afrikainstituet:: 176-192

Mitlin, Diana. 2022. 'Understanding the politics of shelter in three African cities; the contribution of political settlements'. *Cities 128* (Online First)

Mitlin, Diana et al. 2014. 'The urban poor and strategies for a pro-poor politics: reflections on Shack/Slum Dwellers International'. In Parnell, Sue & Sophie Oldfield (Eds.) *The Routledge Handbook on Cities of the Global South* London: Routledge: 296-308

Nkurunziza, Emmanuel, 2007. 'Informal mechanisms for accessing and securing urban land rights: the case of Kampala, Uganda', *Environment and Urbanization* 19(2): 509-526

Rigon, Andrea. 2016. 'Collective or individual titles? Conflict over tenure regularisation in a Kenyan informal settlement' *Urban Studies* 53(13): 2758–2778

Tusting, Lucy et al. 2019. 'Mapping changes in housing in sub-Saharan Africa from 2000 to 2015', *Nature* Letters, 27 March

Week 10: Waste

Key readings

McFarlane, Colin and Jon Silver, 2017. 'The Poolitical City: "Seeing Sanitation" and Making the Urban Political in Cape Town', *Antipode* 49(1): 125-148.

Further reading

Anderson, Warwick, 1995. 'Excremental Colonialism: Public Health and the Poetics of Pollution', *Critical Inquiry* 21 (3):640–669

Brown, Stephanie, 2014. 'Planning Kampala: Histories of Sanitary Intervention and In/formal Spaces', *Critical African Studies*, 6 (1): 71–90.

Davis, Mike. 2005. *Planet of Slums*, London: Verso.

Doherty, Jacob. 2021. *Waste Worlds: Inhabiting Kampala's Infrastructures of Disposability*, Berkeley: University of California Press

Ernstson, Henrik et al. 2021. 'Turning livelihood to rubbish? The politics of value and valuation in South Africa's urban waste sector' in Keith, Michael and Andreza Aruska de Souza Santos (eds) *African Cities and Collaborative Futures*, Manchester: Manchester University Press

Fredericks, Rosalind, 2018. *Garbage Citizenship: Vital Infrastructures of Labor in Dakar, Senegal*, Durham: Duke University Press (Introduction and Chapter 2: 'Vital infrastructures of labor')

Grant, Richard and Martin Oteng-Ababio. 2012. Mapping the Invisible and Real "African" Economy: Urban E-Waste Circuitry, *Urban Geography*, 33 (1): 1-21

Jewitt, Sarah, 2011. 'Geographies of shit: Spatial and temporal variations in attitudes towards hu- man waste'. *Progress in Human Geography* 35 (5): 608–626

Lepawsky, Josh and Chris McNabb, 2010. 'Mapping International Flows of Electronic Waste', *The Canadian Geographer* 54 (2): 177-195

Miraftab, Faranak, 2004. 'Neoliberalism and casualization of public sector services: the case of waste collection services in Cape Town, South Africa, *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research* 28 (4): 874-92

Peprah, Dorothy et al. 2015. 'Public Toilets and Their Customers in Low-Income Accra, Ghana', *Environment and Urbanization*, 27 (2): 589–604

Robins, Steven, 2014a. 'The 2011 Toilet Wars in South Africa: Justice and Transition between the Exceptional and the Everyday after Apartheid', *Development and Change* 45 (3): 479–501

Robins, Steven, 2014b. 'Poo Wars as Matter Out of Place: "Toilets for Africa" in Cape Town', *Anthropology Today* 30 (1): 1–3

Satterthwaite David; Mitlin, Diana; and Sheridan Bartlett, 2015. 'Key Sanitation Issues: Commitments, Coverage, Choice, Context, Coproduction, Costs, Capital, City-wide Coverage', *Environment and Urbanization*. Brief 31. [Online]

Thieme, Tatiana, 2010. 'Youth, waste and work in Mathare: whose business and whose politics?' *Environment and Urbanization* 22 (2): 333-352

Week 11: Futures

Key readings

Adeniyi-Ogunyankin, Grace. 2023. City of the Future: Lagos and the Afropolitan Imagineering Project of Owambe Urbanism, *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research* [Online]

CNN, 2016. 'Lagos 2050: Shanty Megastructures?' <u>CNN Online</u>, 16 July.

Further readings

Gastrow, Claudia. 2023. 'Aesthetics and the Making of Urban Futures in Luanda, Angola, *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research* [Online]

Goldstone, Brian and Juan Obarrio. 2017. *African Futures: Essays on Crisis, Emergence, and Possibility*, Chicago: University of Chicago Press

Haferburg, Christoph. 2013. 'Townships of To-Morrow? Cosmo City and inclusive visions for post-apartheid urban futures', *Habitat International* 39: 261-268

Keith, Michael and Andreza Aruska de Souza Santos (eds) 2021. *African Cities and Collaborative Futures*, Manchester: Manchester University Press

Kimari, Wangui. 2023 'Colour Ni Green': Ecological Futures in Nairobi Outlaw Style, *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research* [Online]

Mazama, Ama. 2007. *Africa in the 21st Century: Toward a New Future*, New York: Routledge

Mbembe, Achille, 2013. *Critique of Black Reason*. Durham, N.C.: Duke University Press

Mercer, C. and others. 2023. 'Spotlight on: Africa's Urban Futures', *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research* [Online] (https://www.ijurr.org/spotlight-on/african-futures/introduction-africas-urban-futures/)

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