



Carleton
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SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK

July-August 2012

SOWK 4209 (Special Studies)

Affordable Housing and Homelessness

Time of Class	Mon. and Wed. – 6PM till 9PM
Location of Class	To be determined
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Course Description

The purpose of the course is to provide an introduction to affordable housing and homelessness. The starting point is a survey of Canadian housing and homelessness indicators. From there, we will spend three consecutive classes looking at the evolution of Canadian housing policy. This will culminate in one full class on the Harper government's track record on social housing, drawing on current research being undertaken by the course instructor for the 2013-2014 edition of *How Ottawa Spends*. This will be followed by classes looking at homelessness, supportive/supported housing, housing & health, and both on- and off-reserve housing for Aboriginal persons.

Then, let the debates begin! We'll take advantage of our location in the nation's capital to host in-class panel discussions featuring some of Canada's foremost experts in affordable housing and homelessness. Each panel will feature individuals who, let's just say, "don't generally see eye to eye." After each panel, there will be a short break, followed by a one-hour question-and-answer session where students will have *their* chance to get in on the action and apply their new knowledge.

Course Outline

Class 1: Introduction to the Course – Wed, Jul 4

Video

National Film Board. 2004. *No Place Called Home* (57:00)

Class 2: Housing and Homelessness Indicators – Mon, Jul 9

Required Reading

Lapointe, Linda. 2011. *Where's Home? The Need for Affordable Rental Housing in Ontario*. Toronto: Ontario Non-Profit Housing Association and the Ontario Region of the Co-operative Housing Federation of Canada. September.

http://www.onpha.on.ca/Content/ONPHA/About/ResearchReports/WheresHome/WheresHome_2011.pdf

_____. 2010. *2006 Census Housing Series: Issue 9—Inuit Households in Canada*. Research Highlight Socio-economic Series 10-019. Ottawa: Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation. December.

<http://www.cmhc.ca/odpub/pdf/67186.pdf>

Optional Reading

Alliance to End Homelessness. 2012. *Report Card on Ending Homelessness in Ottawa, Jan - Dec 2011*. April.

<http://www.endhomelessnessottawa.ca/documents/ReportCardOnEndingHomelessnessInOttawaJan-Dec-2011.pdf>

City of Toronto. 2011. *Toronto Regional Housing Data Bank*. Prepared by the City of Toronto's Affordable Housing Office and Toronto Community Housing. Winter.

[http://www.civicaaction.ca/drp/sites/default/files/Toronto%20Regional%20Housing%20Data%20Bank%201%20Feb%202011%20\(FINAL\).pdf](http://www.civicaaction.ca/drp/sites/default/files/Toronto%20Regional%20Housing%20Data%20Bank%201%20Feb%202011%20(FINAL).pdf)

City of Toronto. 2009. *2009 Street Needs Assessment Results*

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2010/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-29123.pdf>

Cortes, Alvaro, Josh Leopold, Louise Rothschild, Larry Buron, Jill Khadduri, and Dennis P. Culhane. 2011. *The 2010 Annual Homeless Assessment Report to Congress*
The 2010 Annual Homelessness Assessment Report to Congress. Washington, D.C.: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
www.hudhre.info/documents/2010HomelessAssessmentReport.pdf

2009. "Extended Characterization of Individuals Experiencing Occasional and Persistent Core Housing Need (2002-2004)" *Research Highlight* Ottawa: Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation. September.
<http://www.cmhc.ca/odpub/pdf/66606.pdf>

Class 3: Canadian Housing Policy, 1945-1993 – Wed, Jul 11

Required Reading

Collings, Peter. 2005. "Housing Policy, Aging and Life Course: Construction in a Canadian Inuit Community." *Arctic Anthropology*. Vol. 42, No. 2: 50-65.
<http://www.jstor.org/stable/40316646>

Hulchanski, J. David. 2002. *Housing Policy for Tomorrow's Cities* Ottawa: Canadian Policy Research Networks. December.
http://www.cprn.org/documents/16886_en.pdf

Optional Reading

Bacher, John. 1993. *Keeping to the Market Place: The Evolution of Canadian Housing Policy*. Montreal: McGill-Queen's University Press.

Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation, *Housing in Canada, 1946-1970*, CMHC, 1970.

Firestone, O. J. 1951. *Residential Real Estate in Canada*, Toronto.

Hellyer, Paul. 1969. *Task Force on Housing and Urban Development, Report*.

Dennis, Michael and Susan Fish. 1972. *Programs in Search of a Policy: Low Income Housing in Canada*. Toronto: Hakkert.

Miron, John R. 1988. *Housing in Postwar Canada*, Kingston, 148-191.

Rose, Albert. 1980. *Canadian Housing Policies (1935-1980)* Toronto: Butterworths. Chapters 1-4 (pp. 1-67).

Albert Rose, *Regent Park: A study in Slum Clearance*, Toronto, 1958.

Class 4: Canadian Housing Policy, 1993-2006 – Mon, Jul 16

Required Reading

Drummond, Don, Derek Burleton and Gillian Manning. 2003. *Affordable Housing in Canada: In Search of a New Paradigm* TD Economics Special Report June 17. Part One only (pp. 1-19).
<http://www.urbancenter.utoronto.ca/pdfs/home/debates/TDAffdHousing.pdf>

Carter, Tom and Chesya Polevychok. 2004. *Housing Is Good Social Policy* Ottawa: Canadian Policy Research Networks. December.
http://www.cprn.org/documents/33525_en.pdf

Optional Reading

Hulchanski, J. David and Michael Shapcott (Eds). 2004. *Finding Room: Policy Options for a Canadian Rental Housing Strategy* Toronto: CUCS Press.

Suttor, Greg. 2007. *Growth Management and Affordable Housing in Greater Toronto: A Macro View of Toronto Social Mix and Polarization*
<http://www.urbancentre.utoronto.ca/pdfs/gtuo/Suttor2007GrowthManagementAffordableHousing.pdf>

Video

W-FIVE: Canada's Worst Landlord, part one (Apr 2008, 9:08)
<http://watch.ctv.ca/news/w-five/canadas-worst-landlord/#clip48973>

W-FIVE: Canada's Worst Landlord, part two (Apr 2008, 11:31)
<http://watch.ctv.ca/news/w-five/canadas-worst-landlord/#clip48975>

W5 : Housing Hell: Our most vulnerable living in deplorable conditions
 -part one (Apr 2009, 14:14)
http://www.ctv.ca/servlet/ArticleNews/story/CTVNews/20090416/wfive_housing_090418/20090418?hub=WFive

W5 : Housing Hell: Our most vulnerable living in deplorable conditions
 -part two (Apr 2009, 6:34)
http://www.ctv.ca/servlet/ArticleNews/story/CTVNews/20090416/wfive_housing_090418/20090418?hub=WFive

Class 5: Homelessness – Wed, Jul 18

Required Reading

Aubry, Tim, Josh Greenberg and Frank Klodawsky. 2008. *From Homeless to Home: Learning from People Who Have Been Homeless in Ottawa* December.

<http://www.endhomelessnessottawa.ca/homelessness/documents/FromHomelesstoHome.pdf>

Culhane, Dennis. 2010. “5 Myths about America's Homeless” *Washington Post* July 11.

http://works.bepress.com/dennis_culhane/96/

Falvo, Nick. 2010. “Homeless Tide Sure to Rise” *Toronto Star* July 31.

<http://www.thestar.com/opinion/editorialopinion/article/842175--homeless-tide-sure-to-rise>

Riches, Graham and Judy Graves. 2007. “Let Them Eat Starch” *The Tyee* August 28.

<http://thetyee.ca/Life/2007/08/28/FoodLines/>

Optional Readings

Agboola, Olayemi. 2006. *Street Youth in Canada: Findings from Enhanced Surveillance of Canadian Street Youth, 1999-2003* Ottawa: Public Health Agency of Canada. March.

http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/std-mts/reports_06/pdf/street_youth_e.pdf

Alvi, Shahid, Hannah Scott and Wendy Stanyon. 2010. “‘We’re Locking The Door’: Family Histories in a Sample of Homeless Youth” *The Qualitative Report* Vol. 15 No. 5 September: 1209-1226.

<http://www.nova.edu/ssss/QR/QR15-5/alvi.pdf>

Aubry, Tim, Fran Klodawsky, Rebecca Nemiroff, Sarah Birnie and Christina Bonetta. 2007. *Panel Study on Persons Who Are Homeless in Ottawa: Phase 2 Results Final Report* Ottawa: University of Ottawa. March.

<http://www.endhomelessnessottawa.ca/homelessness/documents/PanelStudyonPersonsWhoareHomelessFinalRptMarch07Phase2.pdf>

Barnaby, Lorraine, Rebecca Penn and Patricia E. Erickson. 2010. *Drugs, Homelessness & Health: Homeless Youth Speak out About Harm Reduction The Shout Clinic Harm Reduction Report, 2010* Toronto: Wellesley Institute. January.

http://www.wellesleyinstitute.com/research/affordable_housing_research/drugs-homelessness-health-homeless-youth-speak-out-about-harm-reduction/

Falvo, Nick. 2009. *Homelessness, Program Responses, and an Assessment of Toronto’s Streets to Homes Program* Ottawa: Canadian Policy Research Networks. February.

http://www.cprn.org/documents/50981_EN.pdf

Gaetz, Stephen. 2010. "Editorial: The Struggle to End Homelessness in Canada: How we Created the Crisis, and How We Can End it" *The Open Health Services and Policy Journal* Vol. 3: 21-26.

<http://homeless.samhsa.gov/ResourceFiles/rjhmnr4.pdf>

Gattis, Maurice N. 2009. "Psychosocial Problems Associated With Homelessness in Sexual Minority Youths," *Journal of Human Behavior in the Social Environment* 19: 8, 1066 -1094.

http://pdfserve.informaworld.com/133605_770885140_917601653.pdf

Hulchanski, David J., Philippa Campsie, Shirley B. Y. Chau, Stephen W. Hwang and Emily Paradis (eds.), *Finding Home: Policy Options for Addressing Homelessness in Canada* Toronto: Cities Centre Press, University of Toronto

<http://www.homelesshub.ca/Library/View.aspx?id=45761&AspxAutoDetectCookieSupport=1>

Novac, Sylvia and Linda Lapointe. 2010. *Homeless and Jailed: Jailed and Homeless*. Toronto: John Howard Society of Toronto, August.

<http://media.thestar.topscms.com/acrobat/ef/6e/a2fdc45d452d8cc6e23535371b07.pdf>

Video

From Homeless to Home (2009, 16:17)

<http://www.endhomelessnessottawa.ca/homeless-to-home/homeless-to-home.cfm>

Class 6: Canadian Housing Policy, 2006-Present – Wed, Jul 23

Guest Presentation: Steve Pomeroy, Focus Consulting

Required Reading

Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation. 2011. *Canadian Housing Observer 2011* Ottawa: Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

→Chapter 4, 6 and 9

<https://www03.cmhc-schl.gc.ca/catalog/productDetail.cfm?cat=122&itm=22&lang=en&fr=1326398077375>

Optional Readings

Klein, Seth and Lorraine Copas. 2010. *Unpacking the Housing Numbers How Much New Social Housing is BC Building?* Vancouver: Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives BC Office.

<http://www.policyalternatives.ca/sites/default/files/uploads/publications/2010/09/CCPA-BC-SPARC-Unpacking-Housing-Numbers.pdf>

Macdonald, David. 2010. *Canada's Housing Bubble: An Accident Waiting to Happen* Ottawa: Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives. August.

https://s3.amazonaws.com/policyalternatives.ca/sites/default/files/uploads/publications/National%20Office/2010/08/Canadas_Housing_Bubble.pdf

Class 7: In-Class Mid-Term – Mon, Jul 25

Class 8: Housing and Health – Mon, Jul 30

Required Reading

Khandor, Erika and Kate Mason. 2007. *The Street Health Report 2007* Toronto: Street Health. <http://www.wellesleyinstitute.com/files/a-2005-06-07.pdf>

Moloughney, Brent. 2004. *Housing and Population Health — The State of Current Research Knowledge* Ottawa: Canadian Institute of Health Information. http://secure.cihi.ca/cihiweb/products/HousingPopHealth_e.pdf

Optional Reading

Cheung, Angela M. and Stephen W. Hwang. 2004. “Risk of Death Among Homeless Women: A Cohort Study and Review of the Literature” *Canadian Medical Association Journal* April 13. Vol. 170 No. 8: 12-43-1247.

Davis, Stephen Spencer and Timothy Appleby. 2011. “Residents of Toronto public housing four times more likely to be murder victims” globeandmail.com June 4. <http://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/national/toronto/residents-of-toronto-public-housing-four-times-more-likely-to-be-murder-victims/article2046798/>

Hwang, Stephen W., Angela Colantonio, Shirley Chiu, George Tolomiczenko, Alex Kiss, Laura Cowan, Donald A. Redelmeier and Wendy Levinson. 2008. “The Effect of Traumatic Brain Injury on the Health of Homeless People” *Canadian Medical Association Journal* October 7 179(8): 779-784. <http://www.cmaj.ca/cgi/reprint/179/8/779>

Hwang, Stephen, Esme Fuller-Thomson, J. David Hulchanski, Toba Bryant, Youssef Habib, and Wendy Regoeczi. 1999. *Housing and Population Health: A Review of the Literature*. Toronto: Centre for Applied Social Research, Faculty of Social Work, University of Toronto. May. Prepared for the Canada and Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

Hwang, Stephen. 2000. "Mortality Among Men Using Homeless Shelters in Toronto, Ontario" *Journal of the American Medical Association* April 26 Vol. 283 No. 16: 2152-2157.

Thomson, Hilary, Sian Thomas, Eva Sellstrom and Mark Petticrew. 2009. "The Health Impacts of Housing Improvement: A Systematic Review of Intervention Studies from 1887 to 2007," *American Journal of Public Health* Supplement 3 Vol 99 No. S3: S681-S692.

Williams, David R. and Chiquita Collins. 2001. "Racial Residential Segregation: A Fundamental Cause of Racial Disparities in Health," *Public Health Reports* September-October Vol. 116: 404-416.

Video

Street Health Stories

http://www.nfb.ca/film/street_health_stories (9:18)

Class 9: On- and Off-Reserve Housing for Aboriginal Peoples – Wed, Aug 1

Required Reading

NAHA. 2009. *A Time for Action: A National Plan to Address Aboriginal Housing*. Ottawa: National Aboriginal Housing Association. June.

http://www.aboriginalhousing.org/PDF/NAHA_Action_Plan_July_2009_FINAL.pdf

Webster, Andrew. 2005. *Fiscal Responsibility for Programs and Services to Indians and the Forthcoming Premiers' Conference on Aboriginal Issues: Analysis of Historical and Current Constitutional, Legislative, Intergovernmental, and Political Issues*. Ottawa: Andrew Webster & Associates.

Optional Reading

CREA. 2006. *Aboriginal Housing in Canada: Building on Promising Practices* The International Housing Coalition (IHC) Case Study 3. Ottawa: Canadian Real Estate Association.

http://www.aref.ab.ca/resourcelibrary/documents/case_study_ENGLISH.pdf

Durbin, Anna. 2009. "Canada's Response to the On-Reserve Housing Crisis: A Study of the Kelowna Accord" *Pimatisiwin: A Journal of Aboriginal and Indigenous Community Health* 7 (2): 181-200.

<http://www.pimatisiwin.com/online/wp-content/uploads/2010/jan/02Durbin.pdf>

INAC. 2011. *Evaluation of INAC's On-Reserve Housing Support*. Ottawa: Indian and Northern Affairs Canada. February.

<http://www.aadnc-aandc.gc.ca/aiarch/arp/aev/pubs/ev/orhs/orhs-eng.asp>

OAG. 2011. "Chapter 4: Programs for First Nations on Reserves" *Status Report of the Auditor General of Canada to the House of Commons*. Ottawa: Office of the Auditor General of Canada. June.

http://www.oag-bvg.gc.ca/internet/docs/parl_oag_201106_04_e.pdf

Walker, Ryan and Manuhua Barcham. 2010. "Indigenous-inclusive citizenship: the city and social housing in Canada, New Zealand, and Australia" *Environmental and Planning A* Volume 42: 314-331.

Video

State of Emergency: Attawapiskat First Nation, November 2011.

http://www.huffingtonpost.ca/2011/11/29/attawapiskat-stephen-harper-funding_n_1119110.html?ref=canada#s487209 (9:58)

Class 10: Supportive and Supported Housing – Wed., Aug 8

Required Reading

Nelson, Geoffrey, Tim Aubry and Jessica Hutchison. 2010. "Housing and Mental Health" *International Encyclopedia of Rehabilitation* Buffalo, NY: Center for International Rehabilitation Research Information and Exchange.

<http://cirrie.buffalo.edu/encyclopedia/article.php?id=132&language=en>

Furman Center. 2008. *The Impact of Supportive Housing on Surrounding Neighborhoods: Evidence from New York City* Furman Center Policy Brief. New York: Furman Center for Real Estate & Urban Policy. November.

http://furmancenter.org/files/FurmanCenterPolicyBriefonSupportiveHousing_LowRes.pdf

Optional Reading

Habitat Services. 2010. *Breaking Ground: Peer Support for Congregate Living Settings*. Toronto: Wellesley Institute. May.

<http://www.wellesleyinstitute.com/research/breaking-ground-exploring-the-role-of-peer-support-in-supportive-housing/>

NO CLASS OR OFFICE HOURS ON MONDAY, AUG. 6, DUE TO CIVIC HOLIDAY

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Class 11: Panel Discussion: Supportive and Supported Housing – Mon, Aug 13

-Speakers to be announced

Class 12: Panel Discussion: The Role of the Private Sector – Wed, Aug 15

-Speakers to be announced

Required Reading

Steve Pomeroy, *Towards a Comprehensive Affordable Housing Strategy for Canada*, Caledon Institute, October 2001.

<http://www.caledoninst.org/Publications/PDF/1-894598-94-6.pdf>

Wood, Michelle, Jennifer Turnham and Gregory Mills. 2008. "Housing Affordability and Family Well-Being: Results from the Housing Voucher Evaluation," *Housing Policy Debate* Vol. 19 No. 2: 367-412.

<http://www.informaworld.com/smpp/content~db=all~content=a920632289~frm=titlelink>

Optional Reading

Alcoba, Natalie. 2010. "City Searches for Affordable Housing Solution," *The National Post* December 18

<http://news.nationalpost.com/2010/12/18/city-searches-for-affordable-housing-solution/>

CHRA Policy Advisory Committee. 2009. *Policy Position on Homelessness* Ottawa: Canadian Housing and Renewal Association.

http://www.chra-achru.ca/media/content/CHRA_Homelessness_Polcy42HBA-3272009-9664.pdf

Culhane, Dennis. 2010. "To Fight Homelessness, Turn Project 50 Into Project 10,000" *Los Angeles Times* August 13.

http://works.bepress.com/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1096&context=dennis_culhane

Drummond, Don, Derek Burleton and Gillian Manning. 2003. *Affordable Housing in Canada: In Search of a New Paradigm* TD Economics Special Report June 17. Part Two only (pp. 20-39).

<http://www.urbancenter.utoronto.ca/pdfs/home/debates/TDAffdHousing.pdf>

Falvo, Nick. 2007. *Addressing Canada's Lack of Affordable Housing* Paper Presentation: Annual Meetings of the Canadian Economics Association. Dalhousie University. Halifax, Nova Scotia. June 1-3.

<http://www.streethealth.ca/Downloads/NickCEA-0507.pdf>

Mendelson, Michael. 2006. *Building Assets Through Housing* Toronto: Caledon Institute of Social Policy. May.

<http://www.caledoninst.org/Publications/PDF/600ENG.pdf>

ONPHA. 2009. *Rebuilding the Foundations: ONPHA's Vision for a More Effective Affordable Housing System in Ontario*. Toronto: ONPHA. October.

<http://onpha.on.ca/AM/AMTemplate.cfm?Section=Home&TEMPLATE=/CM/ContentDisplay.cfm&CONTENTID=6512>

Parai, Brenda and Fred Kreplak. 2005. *Affordable Housing Options: Rent and Income Supplements* Calgary: City of Calgary. June.

http://www.calgary.ca/docgallery/bu/cns/homelessness/ah_options_rent_income_supplements.pdf

Steele, Marion and Peter Tomlinson. 2010. *Increasing the Affordability of Rental Housing in Canada: An Assessment of Alternative Supply-side Measures*. Calgary: The School of Public Policy, University of Calgary. SPP Research Papers. Vol. 3 No. 2. September.

http://www.frpo.org/documents/research_steeletomlinson_onlinefin2.pdf

Video

Marketplace. 2012. *Trouble For Rent*. January 20 (original broadcast date).

<http://www.cbc.ca/marketplace/2012/troubleforrent/> (22:28)

Assignments and Evaluation

Attendance	10%
Mid-Term* - In-Class: Wednesday, July 25	40%
Essay† - Due in class on Wednesday, August 15	50%

Late Submission

Submitting papers late is unfair both to other students who submit papers on time and to the professor who must submit grades on time. If exceptional circumstances such as illness or family emergency make a deadline impossible, please let me know as soon as possible. In these cases extensions to the deadline must be justified with a medical or other appropriate certificate.

Plagiarism

The University Senate defines plagiarism as “presenting, whether intentional or not, the ideas, expression of ideas or work of others as one’s own.” This can include:

- Reproducing or paraphrasing portions of someone else’s published or unpublished material, regardless of the source, and presenting these as one’s own without proper citation or reference to the original sources;
- Submitting a take-home examination, essay, laboratory report or other assignment written, in whole or in part, by someone else;
- Using ideas or direct, verbatim quotations, or paraphrased material, concepts, or ideas without appropriate acknowledgment in any academic assignment;
- Using another’s data or research findings;
- Failing to acknowledge sources through the use of proper citations when using another’s works and/or failing to use quotation marks;
- Handing in “substantially the same piece of work for academic credit more than once without prior written permission of the course instructor in which the submission occurs.”

* All graduate students will be required to complete an additional essay question on the mid-term.

† 16 pages for undergraduate students, 20 pages for graduate students.

Plagiarism is a serious offence which cannot be resolved directly with the course's instructor. The Associate Deans of the Faculty conduct a rigorous investigation, including an interview with the student, when an instructor suspects a piece of work has been plagiarized. Penalties are not trivial. They include a mark of zero for the plagiarized work or a final grade of "F" for the course.

Reminder

You are advised to keep an electronic file of your final paper. The final hard copy of your paper should be handed to the instructor in class on or before the deadline. Please do not slip papers under the office door. Please remember to supply a self-addressed stamped envelope with your final paper and it will be returned to you through the mail.

Accommodation for Students with Disabilities

Carleton University is strongly committed to providing access and accommodation for all individuals with identified and duly assessed disabilities. The University has a Senate-approved policy on Academic Accommodation that forms part of its Human Rights Policy. This policy should be consulted for further information and is available at the front of this Calendar and online at: carleton.ca/equity. The policy promotes efforts to accommodate students with disabilities so that they will have the opportunity to meet learning objectives and be fairly evaluated in their performance. In no case, however, does academic accommodation negotiate away, lower, or remove the academic standards and learning objectives of any course or program, rule, regulation, or policy at the University.

The Paul Menton Centre for Students with Disabilities is the designated unit at the University for assisting the Carleton community in integrating persons with disabilities into all aspects of Carleton's academic and community life. The Paul Menton Centre provides assessment of academic accommodation, advises students on strategies to open a dialogue with instructors and acts as consultant, facilitator, coordinator and advocate in this area for all members of the University community.

The Paul Menton Centre provides individualized support services, based on appropriate and up to date documentation, to persons who are deaf or hard of hearing, with learning disabilities, attention deficit disorder (ADD), visual impairments, head injuries, physical disabilities including mobility impairments, or who have psychiatric, other medical or non-visible disabilities.

Students are responsible for applying for special services by making an appointment with the appropriate coordinator at the Paul Menton Centre. All requests will be considered on the basis

of individual need. Students are advised to come to the Centre early in the term to discuss service requests.

Examination accommodations for all tests and examinations (in-class, CUTV, or formally scheduled) must be arranged by specific deadline dates. Please consult the Paul Menton Centre for a list of deadlines for all examinations. Accommodation requests not made prior to the specified deadlines will not be fulfilled.

Accommodation for Students with Religious Obligations

Carleton University accommodates students who, due to religious obligation, must miss an examination, test, assignment deadline, laboratory, or other compulsory event. The University has a Senate-approved policy on religious accommodation that forms part of its Human Rights Policy, available at: carleton.ca/equity.

Accommodation will be worked out directly and on an individual basis between the student and the instructor(s) involved. Students should make a formal written request to the instructor(s) for alternative dates and/or means of satisfying requirements. Such requests should be made during the first two weeks of any given academic term*, or as soon as possible after a need for accommodation is known to exist, but in no case later than the penultimate week of classes in that term. Instructors will make reasonable accommodation in a way that shall avoid academic disadvantage to the student.

Students unable to reach a satisfactory arrangement with their instructor(s) should contact the Director of Equity Services. Instructors who have questions or wish to verify the nature of the religious event or practice involved should also contact this officer.

Attendance and Participation

You are expected to attend all classes, complete all required readings and participate constructively in discussions. An attendance sheet will be circulated in every class and it is your responsibility to sign the sheet. If your name is not on the sheet, you will be marked absent.

A Note on Grading

Standing in a course is determined by the course instructor subject to the approval of the Faculty Dean. This means that grades submitted by the instructor may be subject to revision. No grades are final until they have been approved by the Dean.

Appendix I: The Essay

1. Getting Started

During the early weeks of the term each student should choose a topic for an essay due at the end of the term. They should do so in consultation with the instructor. The topic must be related to affordable housing or homelessness. There are many options from which to choose, and students should use the course outline for ideas.

The essay should be approximately 16 pages long for undergraduate students, and 20 pages long for graduate students.

2. Choosing a Topic

Potential topics include:

- Homelessness in Ottawa
- Counting the Homeless
- Social Housing Wait Lists
- The Toronto Community Housing Corporation
- Supportive vs. Supported Housing
- Youth Homelessness
- The Housing First Model
- Homelessness and Corrections
- Homelessness and Health
- Discrimination in the Rental Housing Market
- NIMBY
- Inclusionary Zoning
- Rent Control
- Income Polarization Among Neighbourhoods

- The Revitalization of Public Housing Projects
- Expiring Operating Agreements
- Building Non Profit Housing vs. Income Subsidies
- Home Ownership for Low-Income Households
- Assessing a Political or Legal Strategy (i.e. the 1% Solution, the CHRA plan, ONPHA's strategy, the Ontario Government's Long-Term Strategy, Bill C-400)
- The Charter Challenge

3. Getting Assistance

It's expected that each student will have talk to the instructor at least once before July 23.
This can be done during regular office hours, by appointment or by telephone. The sooner the better.