

Urban Economics

Next steps

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Exam

You should read

- Chapters 1–5 and 11 from the textbook
- Lecture slides
- Solutions to problem sets (when relevant)

Question types

- True/False statements, short justification for the answer
- Short essays and/or analytical questions on specific topics

Answers

- A perfect answer is complete, but short and focused entirely on the question asked
- Write clearly, and refrain from unsubstantiated assertions and guesses

Calculators or any reference materials are not allowed

Future

Economics of cities (MSc level, economics)

- New course on urban economics! Lectured in the spring of 2025
- More formal treatment of the material in this course and new stuff
- Brings you closer to the frontier of what's happening in the field
- Background: intermediate microeconomics and econometrics
- Suitable also for PhD students from other fields

Urban and Regional Economics (PhD level, economics)

- Goes deeper into particular topics and to the frontier
- Suitable for econ PhD students, but also PhD students from other fields with a strong econ background (e.g. REC PhD students)

Research assistants at municipality datapilot

A new joint initiative with Aalto and municipalities

Municipalities get access to Statistics Finland's register data

- Information needs for decision-making
- Analysis by researchers from Aalto and municipalities
- Hopefully, municipalities will see the value in this and start hiring more people with quantitative skills

We will hire RA's

- Primarily, master's students
- Hiring decisions for this year already done
- We will post another call in Jan 2025: keep your eyes open!