

### **300055 THE FORMATION OF THE GREEK CITIES IN 19<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY (winter semester)**

The course presents the urbanization process of the Greek territory during the 19<sup>th</sup> century. The main issues concern the causes and the effects of urbanization process in both the urban network and the urban space. The development of the urban network was determined by three factors: a) the highly centralized administrative system, b) the delayed construction of the road and railway network and c) the commercialization of agricultural products which formed the basis for the development of the Modern Greek economy and its transformation from subsistence into a market economy. A new form for the arrangement of the urban space was adopted; the Hippodamian city-planning system. Thus, the appearance of cities changed because their functions were organized according to the differentiation principle of land use. Athens, the seat of Administration, along with the city-ports of Patras and of Piraeus and Hermoupolis in Syros Island became the biggest urban centers almost till the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century.

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