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Changes in Urban Form



Abstract: Population growth, technological innovation, and cultural influences have continued to change the way cities function and grow. While many social science disciplines engage scholarship to better understand how population expansion and technology influence city life and form, geographers have the awareness and ability to read various scales of landscape to identify the cultural components that bring about changes in city forms. This presentation will highlight how different cities came into being and have changed through time. Also, we will peer into the future and discuss how urban evolution will continue and what technologies and cultural

influences might be critical in that process.

Biography: Kevin Romig, Assistant Professor of Geography at Texas State University, researches urban environments, specifically how local culture and sense of place influence quality of life issues. Under this research umbrella, Dr. Romig has investigated community satisfaction in modern American neighborhoods, methamphetamine abuse and recovery in the Upper Midwest, and is currently engaging the topic of sustainable water supply in the midst of population growth and climate change. His course offerings are largely in the realm of urban planning and management, but he also instructs courses on the Geography of the United States and Canada and Political Geography. Dr. Romig also volunteers with the German Shorthair Pointer rescue, visits hospitals and nursing homes with his two therapy dogs, and is Vice-Chair of the Historic Preservation Commission for the City of San Marcos.