Connecticut metros are among the richest in the U.S, but are also among the most unequal. Local policies & programs have the power to help make these local economies work for everyone.

This course will focus on big forces sweeping through our cities—from artificial intelligence to Opportunity Zones to Uber. We’ll ask: how are these forces changing our urban economies and workplaces? Who benefits—and who may be excluded? And how can government make sure everyone has an opportunity for success in the urban economy?

We’ll study old and new policy solutions—from blue-green alliances to higher minimum wages to universal basic income. And we’ll ask how we, as citizens and residents, can push for better policies.