



Course

AUTUMN 2008

HUM 597 A (1 credit)

Mike Davis and the Production of Space: A Micro-Seminar

Instructor: Matthew Sparke, Geography

Meeting Days: October 14, 21, 28 & November 18, 2008

3:30 to 5:20 pm

Communications 202

This micro-seminar will focus on close readings and contextualization of the work of Mike Davis, who will be in residence as Katz Distinguished Lecturer during the week of November 3-7, 2008. The seminar is recommended in preparation for and in conjunction with the micro-seminar taught by Davis (see below).

HUM 597 B (1 credit)

Micro-Seminar with Mike Davis: Are Great Famines Still Possible? Climate Change and World Food Security

Meeting Days: November 3, 4, 5 & 7, 2008

1:30 to 3:20 pm

Communications 202

Mike Davis is the author of *City of Quartz: Excavating the Future in Los Angeles* (1990) and *Planet of Slums* (2006), among many other books of public scholarship. A native Southern Californian with a varied background in activism, journalism, and urban studies, he is a frequent contributor to *The Nation* magazine. Davis is Professor of Creative Writing at the University of California, Riverside, and the University of Washington Distinguished Katz Lecturer for Autumn 2008.