Spatial policies for tourism development

The course focuses on urban and regional policies concerning tourism. It investigates in National and European level, the parameters that influence tourism and the way planning deals with its development. The course is divided in two sections.

The first section, through a series of lectures, covers the following subjects:

-The history of tourism development in Greece

-The spatial tools for tourism planning in Greece

-The interconnection between tourism and economic development

-European good spatial practices regarding tourism development

-Tourism carrying capacity

-Case studies of tourism development and its effect in areal zones.

In the second section, students research a subject about tourism. They select a touristic area and study how it has changed due to tourism development. Then they propose policies for its sustainable tourism development.