



Urban Psychology: Cognition of and Interaction with Urban Environments through Narratives

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Message from the Guest Editors

The current development of psychology, neuroscience, cognitive science and linguistics has led to new interpretations of urban experience, and new areas of inquiry unveil the complexity of our engagement with our surroundings. The topics of the cognitive city, place attachment, urban dynamics and resilience have recently gained academic attention. Therefore, we are opening this Special Issue attempting to collect various researches related to our understanding of urban environments in connection with positive psychology, cognitive science, neurophenomenology, physical and mental health and also well-being. Cognition—which is understood as “the mental action or process of acquiring knowledge and understanding through thought, experience, and the senses” – could be expressed in stories, combining conceptual, experiential and embodied aspects of urban dynamics. Connecting the interest in urban experience to the fields of sociolinguistics and psycholinguistic can thus help us to understand better the environment we dwell in, ultimately impacting on our health and well-being.

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