

CRJ 204 1700: **Criminal Justice and the Urban Community**

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Tuesdays & Thursdays from 5:30 – 6:45 pm in Zoom

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Agenda

<p>Class session 22:</p> <p>Th 4/22</p>	<p>History of neglect of neighborhoods by the City</p> <p>Film in class: Vázquez Irizarry, Vivian, and Gretchen Hildebran. “Decade of Fire.” <i>PBS</i>, Public Broadcasting Service, 2018, www.pbs.org/independentlens/films/decade-of-fire/. Red Nut Films, LLC.</p> <p>Reminder: Neighborhood Assignments 3a & 3b are due on Tu 4/27</p>
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Looking ahead

<p>Class session 23: Tu 4/27</p>	<p>The War on Drugs Crack and the South Bronx</p> <p>Film in class continued</p> <p>READ: Contreras, R. (2012). <i>Stickup Kids</i>. Ch. 1, The Rise of South Bronx and Crack. Los Angeles, CA: University of California Press. (p. 35-55)</p> <p>NEIGHBORHOOD ASSIGNMENTS 3a & 3b due in Blackboard by 11:59 pm</p>
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Jobs and Internships

- CUNY Recovery Corps
- NYPD Summer Internship

Public policy & neighborhood impact

- **Policy choices and politics often influence neighborhoods much more than what's happening in those neighborhoods**
- **Policy choices and politics also, then influence the criminal justice system much more than what's happening in society**

Decade of Fire

(<http://decadeoffire.com/get-involved/>)

In the 1970s, fires raged throughout the South Bronx.

Abandoned by landlords and city officials, nearly a half million people were displaced. Black and Puerto Rican residents were blamed for the devastation, even as they battled daily to save their neighborhoods.

Now, Bronx-born filmmaker Vivian Vázquez Irizarry is pursuing the truth: uncovering policies of racism and neglect that still shape our cities and offering hope to communities on the brink today.

- <https://www.pbs.org/video/decade-of-fire-uoty1d/>

Attendance and question

- <https://forms.gle/8YRBygnCojtzif19>

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