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EVENTS/ Conference

House: Stress after Sandy
28 January 2013, 6:30PM
Wood Auditorium, Avery Hall

Mindy Fullilove, Columbia University Mailman School of Public Health
Richard Plunz, Columbia University GSAPP
Damon Rich, City of Newark Office of Urban Design
Hilary Sample, Columbia University GSAPP

Smashing into housing, health, power, and transportation infrastructures, the historic storm Sandy upended lives and evicted entire communities overnight. Most of the conversations on recovery that followed focused the urban landscape—but what about the mental and somatic ones? In this discussion, urban design and public health experts address the challenges of collective stress and anxiety, and speculate on new ideas toward wellness in rebuilding the New York and New Jersey region.

LiPS: Malthus, McKinsey, and Myopia about African Cities
29 January 2013, 1:00 PM
Room 114, Avery Hall

The Spring 2013 session of the Lectures in Planning Series (LiPS) will kick off on Tuesday, January 29th at 1pm with Robert Buckley, former World Bank Lead Economist and Rockefeller Foundation Managing Director, Senior Fellow at the New School, and an expert on urbanization in developing countries.

Why is sanitation provision in African cities one of the worse performing Millennium Development Goals? What potential implications does this have for economic growth in Africa? Buckley will explore these and other questions and present some perspectives on "African economies" that can be inferred from recent publications and conditions in a number of cities in sub-Saharan Africa.

The talk will begin at 1 p.m. sharp in Avery Hall 114. A light lunch will be served, and there will be an opportunity to meet with the speaker and discuss questions one-on-one after the talk.
INFORMATION SESSION: 2013 STUDENT TRAVEL GRANTS
30 JANUARY 2013, 12:00 NOON – 1:30 PM
802 INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS BUILDING

Sponsor:
Institute of Latin American Studies and the Center for Brazilian Studies

Speaker: Eliza Kwon-Ahn, Student Affairs Coordinator

Description:
Come learn about the Institute of Latin American Studies Research and Internship Travel Grants for 2013. We’ll answer questions about the application process, deadlines and requirements. These grants are open to all Columbia University Graduate and Undergraduate students.

More info:
Please contact Eliza Kwon-Ahn at ek2159@columbia.edu

SCORE: THE BARCLAYS CENTER ARENA AND OTHER NON-CONTROVERSIAL PROJECTS BY SHoP ARCHITECTS
4 FEBRUARY 2013, 6:30 PM
WOOD AUDITORIUM, AVERY HALL

Gregg Pasquarelli, SHoP Architects

GSAPP alum and Principal of New York-based SHoP Architects Gregg Pasquarelli presents the recently unveiled Barclays Center Arena in downtown Brooklyn—the weathering steel-clad home to the Brooklyn Nets that New York Magazine called "an architectural chest bump: juiced, genial, and aggressive all at once."How does the new 675,000-square foot sports and entertainment complex at the intersection of Atlantic and Flatbush Avenues operate architecturally? And, how does it connect to transportation infrastructure, the surrounding low-rise, residential neighborhoods of Fort Greene and Prospect Heights, and the contentious and shifting Atlantic Yards plans from which it emerged? What does it mean to deem any project "non-controversial"?

Sponsored by the Ornamental Metal Institute of New York
NARRATE: MARKET MENAGERIE: HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENT IN LATE INDUSTRIAL STATES

4 FEBRUARY 2013, 6:30 PM
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Jason Cone, Médecins Sans Frontières
Stephen Mayes, VII Photo Agency
Brian McGrath, Parsons The New School for Design
Patricia Thomas, University of Georgia
Smita Srinivas, Columbia University GSAPP

Health is complex. How are stories of health and care told, and what is at stake in their telling? Traversing fields of journalism, communication, urban planning, industry studies, and political economy, this interdisciplinary conversation discusses narratives of health and politics, and raises the need for new ones.

The discussion takes Smita Srinivas's Market Menagerie: Health and Development in Late Industrial States—a far-reaching analysis of technological advance and market regulation of the biotech and pharmaceutical industries in countries such as India, Brazil, China, Nigeria, and South Africa—as a springboard into the difficult responsibilities of reporting across media and cultural divides.

Organized by the Technological Change Lab

WORK OPPORTUNITIES

Global Cities Inc.

GRADUATE STUDENT INTERNSHIP
APPLICATION DEADLINE: 28 JANUARY 2013

Global Cities Inc. is a start-up non-profit organization under the auspices of Bloomberg Philanthropies. The organization’s vision is to connect global cities through a practical international information-sharing network that provides meaningful forums for exchanging up-to-date best practices that address current issues impacting cities; and to develop global awareness among the next generation through cross-national interactive educational projects designed to enhance their ability to act as global citizens.

The Intern’s work responsibilities will include assisting Global Cities staff with researching urban policy issues and global awareness education trends.
internationally; composing draft summaries and briefs, modeling and updating organizational databases; and working on additional research projects that contribute to the development of key components of the organization’s core programming.

This is a paid, part-time internship (10-20 hours/week). The internship is set to begin mid-February 2013 and end mid-May 2013. The intern is expected to work on-site with Global Cities at its midtown headquarters. A regular schedule of the intern’s hours will be established.

More details attached in the information sheet.

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**Transportation Alternatives**

**Graduate Research Fellow**

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: 31 JANUARY 2013**

Transportation Alternatives is New York City’s leading transportation advocacy organization, with a citywide network of tens of thousands of supporters committed to better bicycling, walking and public transit in the five boroughs. Our mission is to reclaim New York City’s streets from the automobile, and to advocate for bicycling, walking and public transit as the best transportation alternatives. Every day, all over the city, we’re working to revitalize New York City’s neighborhoods and restore a vibrant culture of street life.

We are seeking an organized and personable graduate student to empower community advocates with data-driven tools and fact sheets that prove the health, economic and safety benefits of recent and planned changes to New York City streets. This is an exciting opportunity to advance walking, biking and transit improvements during a time of political transition in New York City. The position will include research, writing and basic graphic design tasks. The Graduate Research Fellow will report to the Associate Director of Community Research, but will work with staff across T.A. to advance a range of advocacy priorities.

**Fellowship term:** February – May 2013

**Responsibilities:**

- Research global best practices in measuring the impacts of complete streets policies
- Translate technical data gathering methods into toolkits, training modules and presentations that are accessible to community advocates (e.g., traffic and mode share counts, crash incidence, business impact surveys)
• Produce fact sheets that summarize quantitative and qualitative impacts of specific changes to the New York City streetscape (e.g., traffic-calming solutions, bicycle lanes, pedestrian plazas)

Compensation: $15/hour (16-20 hours/week, 12-14 weeks)
To Apply: Please send cover letter, resume and 1-2 page writing sample to: Graduate Research Fellow Search job_applications@transalt.org
Applications are due by January 31 and will be reviewed on a rolling basis.

More information at http://transalt.org/about/fellowship/graduate

City of Alameda (CA)
SUPERVISING PLANNER
APPLICATION DEADLINE: 04 FEBRUARY 2013

$85,306 – $89,570 - $94,042 - $98,748 - $103,688 annually

City of Alameda is looking for a highly skilled and motivated individual to join our Alameda Community Development team. The City offers excellent benefits including a 4-day, 36-hour reduced work week. Under general direction of the Community Development Director and City Planner, supervises and participates in the coordination, administration and management of major planning functions; coordinates and participates in the more difficult research and analysis of various planning activities; performs other related work as required. Requires graduation from an accredited four year college or university with major course work in city or regional planning, urban design, or related field, including four years of progressively responsible professional municipal planning experience at least 2 years of which shall have been in a supervisory, senior or lead capacity. APPLY by February 4, 2013 at www.cityofalamedaca.gov or in person at City of Alameda, HR Dept., 2263 Santa Clara Ave, Rm. 290, Alameda, CA 94501. EOE

CONTACT NAME: Human Resources

CONTACT EMAIL: hr@ci.alameda.ca.us

CONTACT PHONE NUMBER: 510-747-4900

http://www.cityofalamedaca.gov/City-Hall/Job-Opportunities
The Contra Costa County Public Works Department is seeking qualified individuals to fill one permanent full time Senior Watershed Management Planning Specialist in the Contra Costa Clean Water Program in Martinez, California. The program is a collaborative effort between Contra Costa County, its 19 incorporated cities and the flood control district, to implement the Federal Clean Water Act for Urban runoff. This position is very technical in nature. The person appointed to this position will work under general direction, assist in the administration, design and development of the Contra Costa Clean Water Program, provide direction to consultants, contractors, and/or subordinate professional/technical staff; research, and analyze federal, state and local regulatory compliance directives; organize and conduct complex technical studies; and perform other related work as needed. The employment list established as a result of this examination may remain in effect for twelve (12) months.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

License Required: Possession of a Valid California Motor Vehicle Operator’s License. Out of State valid motor vehicle operator’s license will be accepted during the application process.

Education: Possession of a Bachelor of Arts degree from an accredited college or university with a major in urban or regional planning, environmental studies/science, business, geography, engineering or a closely related field.

Experience: Four (4) years of full-time or its equivalent professional experience in land use planning, environmental compliance, or other closely related field.

Substitution: A master’s degree from an accredited college or university in urban or regional planning, environmental studies/science or a closely related field may be substituted for one (1) year of the required experience.

All applications and supplemental questionnaires must be received or postmarked by February 8, 2013. An application package may be obtained by calling the Contra Costa County HR Department at (925) 335-1701, or by visiting our recruitment website at http://agency.governmentjobs.com/contracosta/default.cfm
City of Clayton, California
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR
APPLICATION DEADLINE: 01 MARCH 2013

General Law city seeks a Community Development Director to practice professional planning in the idyllic setting of Clayton, CA (pop. 11,000). The City, tucked away at the base of scenic Mt. Diablo in desirable Contra Costa County (East Bay Area), offers a charming small town atmosphere where residents take great pride and actively participate in their community. Clayton is consistently ranked in the “Top 100 Places to Live in the Nation” by Money Magazine (2007, 2009 & 2011). The Community Development Director oversees planning, building, zoning, code enforcement, environmental review, and housing. The successful candidate must possess the equivalent of five years of senior level experience in community planning, community development, land use regulation, and building and code inspection, and a bachelor’s degree in planning, public administration, or a related field. The new Director will have an understanding of social, political, and environmental issues influencing projects, have the ability to see the big picture, be customer and hands-on oriented, and show sensitivity to the community’s input.

Annual salary range for this full-time position is $84,960 - $103,260 (note: the City presently has eleven unpaid furlough days per fiscal year reflected in salary above). Detailed information is available on the City’s website www.ci.clayton.ca.us or by calling the Human Resources Manager at 925.673-7304.

Anderson-Miller Design
ARCHITECT

This growing and dynamic firm designs and manages production for K-12 charter schools as well as for high-end residential and institutional projects. Andersen-Miller Design focuses on delivering the highest quality design to its clients, while maintaining a collaborative team approach.

This is an ideal opportunity for a technical architect with high standards and a passion for leading teams to complete high quality commercial architecture projects that serve a social mission. The Architect will manage design and production of schools for K-12 charter clients dedicated to providing exceptional educational opportunities for low-income students. Reporting to the firm’s principal, this person will oversee project teams to deliver exceptional work and manage client interactions.
The Architect will:

- Serve as a leader within the firm, demonstrating a commitment to delivering quality work with integrity.
- Manage teams of up to five people throughout all project phases: scoping, design, production and construction administration.
- Assess potential school sites and structures for their ability to fulfill each school’s needs; conduct zoning analysis.
- Direct project research, documentation, approval and project construction administration.
- Apply a comprehensive understanding of each school’s needs to the project at hand.
- Manage multiple projects with overlapping deadlines, tracking schedules to meet project objectives.
- Manage client communication and relationships, serving as the firm’s representative on major projects.

Salary and benefits will be competitive and commensurate with experience.

For more details and/or to apply for this position, visit: http://www.onramps.com/jobs/812

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**ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES**

**ADVANCED CONSORTIUM ON COOPERATION, CONFLICT AND COMPLEXITY (AC4) – STUDENT FELLOWSHIPS**

**DEADLINE: 4 FEBRUARY 2013**

Each year, the Advanced Consortium on Cooperation, Conflict, and Complexity (AC4) funds as many as 11 Columbia University graduate students conducting interdisciplinary research in areas addressing conflict, violence, peace-building and sustainable development (such projects might include - doctoral students’ dissertation research, master’s students’ thesis research, or capstone projects). This year we will fund 10 students for up to **$3,000** and one team of students for up to **$6,000**. Team applicants must present a truly interdisciplinary research proposal. Students may not apply to both. For application requirements and materials please check - http://ac4.ei.columbia.edu/ac4-opportunities/ac4-graduate-student-fellowship-program/

The deadline for submissions is February 4th, 2013.
Fellows will be announced in March 2013.
Questions may be directed to Alessandra Radicati at aradicati@ei.columbia.edu
OREGON LEADERSHIP IN SUSTAINABILITY (OLIS) GRADUATE CERTIFICATE PROGRAM  
DEADLINE: 4 FEBRUARY 2013

The OLIS graduate certificate program is approaching its priority deadline for applications—February 1st. OLIS is a one year, interdisciplinary graduate certificate program at the University of Oregon that provides hands-on skills, knowledge and experiences for those who are passionate about cities and sustainability. The program is designed to prepare students to work on sustainability with a public agency, a non-profit, or a private firm working in the public and non-profit sectors. For further information please link to: http://olis.uoregon.edu.

Built Environment Assessment Training (BEAT) Institute - Online Training for Assessing the Built Environment for Physical Activity

The Built Environment Assessment Training (BEAT) Institute has launched a free online course to learn how to assess the built environment for physical activity. Participants will learn about the main variables found in most physical activity-focused built environment audit tools, with a more in-depth look at a few specific tools (IMI, ANC, PEDS, PARA, EAPRS & PEAT). Participants will also learn how to customize the tools and train others to conduct assessments. The course is geared towards researchers, practitioners, students, community advocates and anyone else with an interest in learning how to conduct audits of the built environment.

For more information or to register, visit this website and click on online training: www.med.upenn.edu/beat

Attached is an information sheet.

APA TRANSPORT PLANNING DIVISION 2013 STUDENT PAPER COMPETITION  
DEADLINE: 13 FEBRUARY 2013

The Transportation Planning Division (TPD) is looking for outstanding student papers on current transportation planning or policy issues. Our purpose is to recognize and reward work completed for courses in accredited masters and
undergraduate planning programs. Please nominate and encourage your students to participate in APA’s student paper contest. Winners will be announced at the APA National Conference in Chicago, IL on April 13-17, 2013.

The Prizes: Awards of $1,000 and $500. The top two student papers will be awarded. The grand prize for the best student paper is $1,000 and the second prize is $500. Winning papers (or summaries) will be published in the TPD’s quarterly newsletter. The TPD may also submit full versions of the winning paper for peer review and possible presentation at the Annual Meeting of the Transportation Research Board and for publication in APA’s Planning Magazine.

More details at http://www.apa-tpd.org/competition.html

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CRITICAL PLANNING JOURNAL – CALL FOR PAPERS

DEADLINE: 15 FEBRUARY 2013

For its 20th volume, Critical Planning invites critical research papers, book reviews, essays, literary journalism projects, poetry, and artistic projects that investigate and speculate on the future trajectories of cities and the role of urban planning. Possible topics include, but are by no means limited to:

- Climate changes
- Information technologies and logistics
- Green technologies and energy
- Politics and resistance
- Shrinking cities and emerging economies
- Social networks and digital communities

Critical Planning is a double-blind peer-reviewed publication. Feature articles are generally between 5,000 and 7,000 words, while shorter articles are between 1,000 and 3,000 words. Essays range from 1,000 to 7,000 words. Poetry submissions should be fewer than 600 words or 4 poems, whichever is shorter. We encourage submissions that incorporate cross-disciplinary, multi-scaler, multi-sited, transnational, or mixed-method approaches. We also welcome submissions of photographs, maps, art, or design projects related to the topic The Future for publication in the journal.

The 2013 Edward W. Soja Prize for Critical Thinking in Urban and Regional Research will be awarded to the best article published in the 20th volume of Critical Planning. The prize celebrates the lifetime achievements of this critical
thinker whose work continues to open new research directions for the theoretical and practical understanding of contemporary cities and regions. Preference will be given to authors speaking to critical issues outside the research agendas of traditional funding agencies and institutional donors. A cash prize of $1,000 will be awarded to the author of the winning article.

Submissions will be accepted on a rolling basis, and we highly encourage early submissions. Feel free to contact us by email to discuss your ideas. All academic submissions should be written according to the standards of the Chicago Manual of Style, 16th Edition. Manuscripts should be submitted by 5 PM PST on February 15, 2013 as .doc attachments via email to critplan@ucla.edu.


Beyond Resilience: Actions for a Just Metropolis, a conference co-sponsored by Planners Network and Architects, Designers, and Planners for Social Responsibility, will be held June 6-8, 2013, in New York City. We invite your proposals for community-based workshops, discussions, speakers, and plenaries. Proposals due February 15. Visit http://www.plannersnetwork.org/ for details and updates.

The International Center for Cooperation and Conflict Resolution (ICCCR) at Teachers College, Columbia University, is sponsoring the 9th annual Morton Deutsch Award for an Outstanding Graduate Student Paper on Social Justice.

Morton Deutsch, one of the world’s preeminent psychologists, has made significant contributions over the many years of his career in the areas of conflict resolution and social justice. The Morton Deutsch Awards are designed to recognize innovative scholarship and practice in the area of social justice.
A trophy award plus $500.00 will be awarded to a graduate student within the Columbia University system for an outstanding paper related to social justice.

The paper may address the issue of social justice in any context with a clear conceptual framework and from any disciplinary perspective. Papers will be evaluated on

- Degree of innovative thinking and sound analysis
- Recommendations for remedying identified situations
- Contributions to scholarship, practice and policy

Papers should be **20 to 30 pages** in length (double-spaced, 1” margins, Times New Roman, 12pt font). Papers are due **February 15th, 2013** (by 11:59 pm ET). Papers should be emailed as an attachment to icccr@tc.columbia.edu.

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**STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM IN BRAZIL**
**DEADLINE: 27 FEBRUARY 2013**

The University of Florida invites graduate students from other colleges and universities to enroll in the Study Abroad Program taking place in Brazil next summer. The program includes a three-week studio in Curitiba, a capital city internationally renowned for its sustainable planning initiatives, and a one-week workshop in Florianópolis, a capital city on an island in the Atlantic rainforest ecosystem of southern Brazil. Before, during (weekends), and after the program students may explore other cities of their choice.

Some of the broader urban issues to be explored during the program are: community development, urban design, sustainable development, land use planning, urban land policy, transportation planning, affordable housing, economic development, and environmental planning. Students will work in a studio environment on projects in the following general topics: sustainable urban development & the built environment, affordable housing & informal settlements, urban parks & public health, and open space systems.

Additional information:

- Deadline for application: February 27th, 2013 (applications may be accepted after this date on a space available basis only).
- Dates: May 27th to June 21st
- Credits: 6 credit/hours (graduate level)
• Cost: TBA (includes tuition, workshops & lectures, lodging & breakfast, and transportation to program related events. The international flight is additional.)
• No language requirement; program will be conducted in English

Additional information and on-line application materials can be found at: [http://www.abroad.ufic.ufl.edu/]. Search for Curitiba - Urban Planning.

For academic questions, please contact Joseli Macedo at urpcuritiba@dcp.ufl.edu. For application and administrative questions, please contact Josh Perry at jperry@ufic.ufl.edu

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UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE – PUBLIC INTEREST DESIGN (SUMMER COURSE SERIES)
DEADLINE: 1 MARCH 2013

The University of Texas at Austin School of Architecture's Center for Sustainable Development is proud to offer the third installation of its award-winning Public Interest Design summer course series.

The lexicon of Public Interest Design is becoming a robust set of tools to identify the ways in which architects and planners can help to create beautiful, sustainable, equitable communities, particularly for underserved populations who traditionally haven’t had the resources to acquire professional design services. The summer program will discuss what it means to be a public servant and a designer, and will empower students with the skills they need to apply critical design-thinking to complex social problems.

There are three course offerings this summer:

Design / build studio - taught by Coleman Coker, Ruth Carter Stevenson Regents Chair in the Art of Architecture at UT Austin.

Theory & methods seminar - taught by Steven Moore, Bartlett Cocke Professor of Architecture and Planning at UT Austin.


For more information, please visit our website: http://soa.utexas.edu/csd/PID/
Application Deadline: March 1, 2013

Any questions may be directed to csd@austin.utexas.edu.
SHAGAL | iodaa Practice FELLOWSHIPS 2013

DEADLINE: 21 MARCH 2013

Two practice-oriented fellowships (of $20,000 Dollars each) will be awarded for investigating a particular theme as well getting-involved also in real-world projects. SHAGAL|iodaa Practice Fellowships Programme provides an unparalleled opportunity for one or two outstanding newly design graduates to gain meaningful work experience in architecture, urban landscape, ecological urbanism, and being part of writing new urban-design rules for tomorrow as the outdated orthodoxial regulations do not anymore meet current and future needs.

DEADLINE: March 21, 2013

SHAGAL | iodaa: is an inter-disciplinary collaborative studio dedicated to the green-sustainability issues through creative design, and ecological thinking, for place-responsive programming, research, criticism, writing, teaching and designing while merges architecture, landscape architecture, urbanism and the visual arts.

More details in the attached flyer.