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**MAS SUMMIT FOR NEW YORK CITY**
Location: Jazz at Lincoln Center  
Date: October 17-18th, 2013  
Registration & Tickets: http://connect.mas.org/site/Calendar?id=101321&view=Detail

As a city, we must find new and innovative ways to continue in our role as a global urban leader. We must also strengthen our resilience and improve our city’s livability. With a historic election this fall and the one year anniversary of Superstorm Sandy approaching, you won’t want to miss this year’s Summit.

**APA BIENNIAL CONFERENCE**
Location: Lerner Hall, Columbia University  
Date: November 8th, 2013  
Registration: opens in 1-2 weeks

This conference’s theme will be around resiliency and looking forward in a new planning paradigm for the region, but there will be a variety of topics non-resiliency-related, and some oh-so-coveted law and ethics sessions for those looking for CM credits. It is also a prime networking opportunity to make new business partners and friends.
TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES

Position: Paid Graduate Research Fellowship

Instructions: Please send cover letter, resume and 1-2 page writing sample to Graduate Research Fellow Search job_applications@transalt.org

Deadline September 16, 2013

We are seeking organized and personable graduate students to empower community advocates with data that prove the benefits of recent improvements to New York City streets and demonstrate need for further changes. This is an exciting opportunity to advance the health, economic and safety benefits of walking, biking and transit improvements during a time of political transition. The position will include research, writing and basic graphic design tasks. Graduate Research Fellows will report to T.A.’s Planning Director. The Fellowship term is September-December 2013.

*Detailed description of qualifications and responsibilities at http://transalt.org/about/fellowship/graduate
SEPTEMBER 9, 2013

LATIN LAB LBS PRESENTATION | 412 Avery | 1-2PM
Elio Trusiani, Professor, Sapienza Università di Roma
“Open Spaces and the Informal City: The Case of Portoalegre”

Abstract: This presentation shows the results of a research project performed through a collaborative exchange between UFRGS/Brazil and Sapienza Università di Roma, employing a method of spatial analysis which was applied to favelas in Porto Alegre. It also shows a critical analysis of the “Vila Santana II” developments, which considers the open spaces of this part of the city as a resource for the urban renewal, and as a territorial, urban and local design/project resource. The study uses a morphological, environmental and perceptive approach attempting to restitute the informal settlements and preserve the interaction and integration found in the formal city also after a formal intervention. Open spaces are adopted as conceptual structures for the concepts of “connection”, “transition”, “fruition” and “transformation/substitution.” These terms are taken as keywords for design approaches related to urban acupuncture and microplanning.

SEPTEMBER 10, 2013

CURE’s H209 FORUM: Water Challenges for Coastal Cities From Dutch Delta to New York Harbor | Museum of Jewish Heritage (9/9)/Columbia University (9/10)
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Email Jesse Keenan @ CURE@columbia.edu


SEPTEMBER 13, 2013

APA HAPPY HOUR | South 4th Bar | 6-9PM

SEPTEMBER 16, 2013

LATIN LAB LBS PRESENTATION | 412 Avery | 1-2PM
José Manuel Almodóvar, Tenured Professor, University of Seville
“Shape, culture and environment: a lesson of sustainability from the Latin American architectural heritage”

Abstract: American architecture of the past was developed in some cases by military engineers and mainly by missioners who came from Europe through Spain and Portugal. Howev-
er, the climatic conditions of South America were in most cases opposed to those prevailing in the Iberian Peninsula and even the nature of the weather differences was not subject to prediction with scientific knowledge available in the era. The former produced a set of gradual and successive transformations in the typologies “imported” from the Old Continent. These adaptations to new environmental settings were lengthy, intuitive and not always recognizable by the Metropolitan culture. In this lesson, the historical analysis of this process is completed with a modern environmental evaluation by means of two procedures: computer programs for architectural modeling and on site measurements of climatological parameters. Results can be used to recover a relationship to the environment which has been lost in the more official architecture of the last century.

SEPTEMBER 20, 2013

PARK(ING) DAY | College Walk | Time TBD
NEW YORK CITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (NYCEDC)

Position: Graduate Intern, Planning Department
Contact: Marilyn Lee, AICP | Assistant Vice-President | Planning
Instructions: Submit cover letter, resume, GIS sample, writing sample to MLee@nycedc.com
Open until filled

NYCEDC’s Planning Department is offering an internship to a student currently enrolled in a Graduate Program in Urban Planning or Geography to perform a variety of tasks to support the Planning, Development and Ports & Transportation (PDT) Division. The Intern will have the opportunity to learn about zoning and environmental review as practiced in New York City. The Intern may also work on PDT projects involving contaminated site cleanup, landmark issues, urban renewal, and federal and state regulated waterfront and wetland policy. The Intern will be given discrete tasks and expected to perform independently under light supervision. Preference given to second year students and those with strong GIS experience.

*Cfull description attached at end

CARTOGRAPHY/GIS INTERNSHIP

Contact: Therese Diede
Instructions: Submit resume, brief statement of interest, availability to diede.cartography@gmail.com
Open until filled

A small educational technology start-up is looking to hire a GIS/cartography intern or two. The project we are working on is an interactive iBook about military history for the iPad, so many maps and graphics need to be produced and edited. Ideal candidates would be familiar with ArcMap and the Adobe Creative Suite, especially Illustrator and Photoshop. Experience creating terrain would be a plus but not necessary as work could lean more toward GIS (data imports) or Illustrator (stylizing) depending on interest. All work is paid. Intern(s) would be working with a GSAPP alumna [M.S.UP ’09 / M.Arch ’13].
NEW YORK METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (MTA)

Position: Analyst, Capital Program Management Division

Open until filled

We have two openings now for Analyst, Capital Program Management at the MTA Headquarters location in Midtown Manhattan. Interested persons may apply online at the MTA website.
PLANNING STUDENT ORGANIZATION (PSO)
FIRST MEETING ON FRIDAY, SEPT 6 @ 5PM!
Beverages will be provided.

FOCUS: planning PARK(ing) DAY on September 20th
COMING UP: GSAPP Scavenger Hunt, Transportation Museum, 7 Train Extension, Manhattanville Expansion, APA Happy Hour

QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?
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PROGRAM COUNCIL
UP2, please fill out short survey for re-accreditation report!
MESSAGE FROM PAUL LOZITO,  
STUDENT CHAIRPERSON OF APA-NY METRO

Dear New Student,

We would like to welcome you into the New York Metropolitan planning community. As a new student in an accredited planning program, you will be enrolled as a member of the American Planning Association. This opens you up to many opportunities and resources offered by the APA-NYC Metro Chapter.

The New York Metropolitan chapter of the American Planning Association comprises 1,200 planners working on critical issues, from rail to trails and beyond across, across the City, Long Island and the Hudson Valley. We are a diverse community with varied opinions who find strength in a deep and inclusive dialogue on the issues of the day. Your voice and your opinions are key to maintaining a high level of discourse of planning issues. Not only do we welcome you to the community, we encourage you to be active in it.

As part of your membership, you will begin to receive emails that will inform you on region wide events, scholarships, and webinars hosted by the region-wide planning community. Soon, we will inform you soon on the details of a student-young professional group happy hour. We encourage you to attend the Biennial Conference which will be held on November 8, 2013. Other events are to come. You can find out more information about the APA National @ www.planning.org APA NYC @ www.nyplanning.org.

Again welcome,

Paul Lozito  
Student Chairperson  
American Planning Association - New York Metropolitan Chapter
MESSAGE FROM EMILY HEARD ‘14
Subject: Amazon Prime for Students

Hey guys,

It has come to my attention that a lot of people don’t know about Amazon Prime for Students. Basically, you get free 2day shipping on Amazon.

So, If anyone’s interested: http://www.amazon.com/gp/student/signup/info?ie=UTF8&refcust=3ENUPDURBWRJ6CDWIFOPW43NZE&referrer_type=generic

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MS in Urban Planning ‘14
Columbia GSAPP
Graduate Intern, Planning Department
New York City Economic Development Corporation’s (NYCEDC)

Position Overview:
NYCEDC’s Planning Department is offering an internship to a student currently enrolled in a Graduate Program in Urban Planning or Geography to perform a variety of tasks to support the Planning, Development and Ports & Transportation (PDT) Division. The Intern will have the opportunity to learn about zoning and environmental review as practiced in New York City. The Intern may also work on PDT projects involving contaminated site cleanup, landmark issues, urban renewal, and federal and state regulated waterfront and wetland policy. The Intern will be given discrete tasks and expected to perform independently under light supervision.

Schedule:
18 – 21 hours a week during school year; 28 – 35 hours a week when school not in session

Minimum Qualifications:
- ArcGIS
- Microsoft Office
- Adobe Illustrator or equivalent
- Knowledge of New York City’s planning issues

Preferred Qualifications:
- Strong Adobe CS
- Basic AutoCAD or Sketch-Up

Typical Tasks:

**Computer Mapping and GIS Analysis**
- Prepare drawings, base maps, neighborhood context and land use maps
- Assist in site selection for the development City-owned property

**Land Use and Environmental Reviews**
- Preparation or assist in preparation and filing of Uniform Land Use Review Procedure (ULURP) applications
- Assist in preparation of Requests for Proposals (RFPs)
- Preparation or assist in preparation and filing of Environmental Review documents, including Environmental Assessment Statements (EASs) and Environmental Impact Statements (EISs)
- Prepare for and assist at public meetings

**Site Planning for Economic Development**
- Studies of City-owned development sites or areas, which may involve site visits, zoning analysis, marketing research and online research including Buildings Department permit review and historical Sanborn maps
- Site information gathering from the Corporation’s project files and resources such as the Municipal Archives; Borough Topographic Bureaus; NYC Department of City Planning

**Records Management**
- Data entry for projects and programs managed by the City
- Inventory and preparation of project files and drawings for archives

About NYCEDC:
New York City Economic Development Corporation is the City’s primary vehicle for promoting economic growth in each of the five boroughs. NYCEDC’s mission is to stimulate job growth through expansion and redevelopment programs that encourage investment, generate prosperity and strengthen the City’s competitive position. NYCEDC serves as an advocate to the business community by building relationships with companies that allow them to take advantage of New York City’s many opportunities. Additional information on NYCEDC can be found by visiting http://www.nycedc.com/