

# URBAN STUDIES PROGRAMS



Presents

*Processes, Challenges, and Change:  
A Decade of Urban Discourse,  
1996-2005*

**May 7, 2005  
8:30am - 6:00pm**

# Welcome

For the tenth consecutive year, the Urban Studies Programs at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee is pleased to welcome you to our annual student forum. The forum is designed for students, alumni, and faculty to come together to discuss and investigate themes associated with urban structure and change. Organized by the masters and doctoral students in urban studies, the forum reflects the broad interests and concerns of this diverse student body. A main objective of the student forum is to bring together the vast array of theories and methodologies of this multidisciplinary program. It not only provides a chance to investigate important urban issues, but it also offers a challenge — to address the outcomes of these issues and construct effective solutions for the social problems of our cities.

The first morning session will allow us to share methods and techniques of urban research and further our understanding of how to investigate urban issues, both inside and outside academe. The second morning session and the afternoon sessions will showcase students' recent research projects, providing an excellent opportunity to further the urban discourse among students, faculty, and our special guests.

The forum will conclude with a keynote address from Dr. Douglas Rae, the Richard S. Ely Professor of Organization and Management and Professor of Political Science at Yale University. Dr. Rae is the author of *City: Urbanism and Its End*.

Thank you for being a part of this year's forum. Your participation and contribution are invaluable to the event's success.

**Jacob Avery, Forum Committee Chair**

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(Session Four Cont.)

**4A -**

*Pitfalls and Prosperity in Public Housing*

• W183

Discussant: Marc Levine, Professor of History

Moderator: Elizabeth Moen, Masters Student, Urban Studies

*Communication Breakdown: Resident Organization Meetings in Elderly/Disabled Public Housing Developments*

**Eric Gass**, Doctoral Student, Urban Studies

*The Post World War II Veterans Housing Crisis: A Failed Vision for Public Housing*

**Phyllis Santacroce**, Doctoral Student, Urban Studies

*HOPE VI: The Social Impact of Renovating Severely Distressed Public Housing*

**Staci Young**, Doctoral Student, Urban Studies

## Keynote Address

**Dr. Douglas Rae**

Richard S. Ely Professor of Organization and Management & Professor of Political Science  
Yale University

Douglas Rae, born and educated in the Midwest, received his BA from Indiana University in 1962 and his PhD in 1967 from the University of Wisconsin. He served briefly on the faculty of the Maxwell School at Syracuse University, before joining the Yale political science department in 1967. He is a former chairman of that department, and now holds the Richard Ely Chair in the Yale School of Management. He has published widely, including the prize-winning *Political Consequences of Electoral Laws* (Yale University Press, 1967), *Equalities* (Harvard University Press, 1981), and a stream of scholarly articles in leading academic journals. His most recent book, *City: Urbanism and its End* (Yale University Press, 2003) has attracted wide attention.

(Session Three Cont.)

**3B -**

*Historical Milwaukee: Baseball and Byways*

• W183

Discussant: Frank Wilson, Associate Professor of Sociology  
Moderator: Matt Melendes, Masters Student, Urban Studies

*The Home of the Braves? How the loss of a Major League Baseball Franchise Impacted the City of Milwaukee*

**Scott Canevit**, Doctoral Student, Urban Studies

*From Social Destruction to Economic Revitalization: Following Former Mayor John Olof Norquist's Evolving Attitude on Freeways in Milwaukee, 1970-2004*

**Kimberly Stephenson**, Doctoral Student, Urban Studies

## Student Panels

### Session Four

**2:35 to 3:50 p.m.**

**4A -**

*Dynamic of Social Theory and Social Analysis*

• W181

Discussant: Kent Redding, Assistant Professor of Sociology  
Moderator: Dillon Young, Masters Student, Urban Studies

*City and Its 'Class' Roots: Transformation in Manuel Castell's Conception of Class*

**Ozgun Avci**, Doctoral Student, Urban Studies

*The Scholarly Development of Social Control: A Historical Examination*

**Scott Canevit**, Doctoral Student, Urban Studies

*Gun Shows: A Social Network for Extremists?*

**Paul Rivas**, Doctoral Student, Urban Studies

## Forum Overview

**8:30 to 9:00 a.m.**

Forum Registration, Continental Breakfast, and Conversation  
W191

**9:00 to 10:00 a.m.**

Concurrent Tools and Topics Panels  
Session 1A in W181 and Session 1B in W183

**10:00 to 10:10 a.m.** Break

**10:10 to 11:10 a.m.**

Concurrent Student Panels  
Session 2A in W181 and Session 2B in W183

**11:15 to 12:00 p.m.**

Special Address: Don Sykes, USP Alumnus  
W191

**12:00 to 1:10 p.m.**

Lunch  
W191

**1:10 to 2:25 p.m.**

Concurrent Student Panels  
Session 3A in W181 and Session 3B in W183

**2:25 to 2:35 p.m.** Break

**2:35 to 3:50 p.m.**

Concurrent Student Panels  
Session 4A in W181 and Session 4B in W183

**3:50 to 4:00 p.m.** Break

**4:00 to 4:15 p.m.**

Presentation of Scott Greer Awards  
W191

**4:15 to 5:15 p.m.**

Keynote Address: Dr. Douglas Rae  
*Urbanism and Its End*  
W191

**5:15 to 6:00 p.m.**

Reception  
W191

## Tools & Topics

### Session One 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.

**1A -**  
Publication Strategies  
• W181

Avelardo Valdez, Urban Studies Alumnus  
Joseph Rodriguez, Moderator, Associate Professor of History

**1B -**  
After USP: Inside and Outside the Ivory Tower  
• W183

Edward Olson, Urban Studies Alumnus  
Lisa Berger, Ph.D. Candidate in Urban Studies  
Margo Anderson, Moderator, Director of Urban Studies Programs

## Student Panels

### Session Two 10:10 to 11:10 a.m.

**2A -**  
Past and Present Perspectives on Childcare and Curriculum  
• W181

Discussant: Stacey Oliker, Associate Professor of Sociology  
Moderator: Phyllis Santacrose, Doctoral Student, Urban Studies

*Privatization of Child Welfare Services: Its Effect on Helping Children in Foster Care Achieve Permanency and in Preventing Children from Being Placed in Care*

**David J. Nealon**, Masters Student, Urban Studies

*The Creation of the Milwaukee Public Schools, 1846-1860*

**Jim Nelson**, Doctoral Student, Department of History

(Session Two Cont.)

**2B -**  
Transnational Employment in the 20th Century  
• W183

Discussant: Meredith Reitman, Assistant Professor of Geography  
Moderator: Lynn Gransee, Masters Student, Urban Studies

*Commuter Alien Labor in the North American Transnational Metropolis: Cross-Border Employment in Cross-Border Cities—Detroit/Windsor 1885-1900 and El Paso/Juarez 1954-1965*

**Martin Christiansen**, Masters Student, Department of History

*Work Expectations of Latino Immigrants in Service Sector Work: Urban vs. Suburban Spaces of Work*

**Amber Cooper**, Masters Student, Department of Sociology

## Student Panels

### Session Three 1:10 to 2:25 p.m.

**3A -**  
Political, Cultural, and Economic Processes of the City  
• W181

Discussant: Jennifer Jordan, Assistant Professor of Sociology  
Moderator: Bethany Poprocky, Masters Student, Urban Studies

*The Brilliant Failure of Upton Sinclair and EPIC*

**Nicholas Katers**, Masters Student, Department of History

*Urban Redevelopment Models: How Can They Be Used to Rebuild Communities?*

**Kristi Luzar**, Master Student, Urban Studies

*Urban Political Ecology, Consumption Fund, and Environmental Justice: An Analysis of Plastic Bag Waste Problem in Nairobi, Kenya*

**Jeremia Njeru**, Doctoral Student, Department of Geography

**For more information on the forum, please contact  
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