

Urban Studies Programs

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► **Director's Corner –**

Greetings from Urban Studies for 2004!

Each year at this time, we compile the news about goings on here at UWM, our students, current and new, and our alumni and friends around the community and around the world. It's always a great pleasure to put together in one place the news of Urban Studies. So on to the business at hand.

We start with our most precious resource: our students. Since our last newsletter, Steve Byers, Michael Grover, Patrick Falvey, Florence Kyomugisha, Michael Martin, Mark Mulder and Mark Shelley have earned their PhD in Urban Studies and Amanda Ahrndt, Carolyn Keller and Marcus White have earned MS degrees. See inside with details of their doctoral dissertations and MS papers. We also have a wonderful new class of incoming students; they have provided a bit of background for us all on p. 4. Not be left behind, on p. 6, our current students bring us news of their work and research.

As usual, USP faculty have had a busy year as well. We've had some comings and goings. This fall Meredith Reitman, new PhD in Geography from the University of Washington, will join the Geography and Urban Studies faculty at UWM. Rina Ghose (Geography) and Rhonda Montgomery (Sociology and Social Work) have joined the USP faculty as well. Rina is a specialist in Geographic Information Systems, particularly in what she calls "public participation GIS." Rhonda specializes in gerontology and long term family care and holds the Bader Chair in Gerontology in the Helen Bader School of Social Welfare.

► **Symposium on Milwaukee History:
 Current Understanding and Future Research
 October 7 - 8, 2004**

This fall, several dozen scholars will convene at UWM to examine the history of Milwaukee and the metropolitan region. Conference organizers Victor Greene and Margo Anderson hope to launch a long term project to evaluate and synthesize the academic scholarship on the history of Milwaukee and its metropolitan area. The conference will coordinate with related projects at UWM and in Milwaukee. The Second Annual Convention of the Urban History Association will meet in Milwaukee, Oct. 8-10, 2004 (see <http://www.unl.edu/uha/conf.html>). The Center for 21st Century Studies, UWM's postdoctoral research institute in the humanities, is devoting its 2003-2005 research projects to the theme, Geographies of Difference (see <http://www.uwm.edu/Dept/21st/theme0305.shtml>). The conference, the Fourth Floor Conference Center of the Golda Meir Library, is free and open to the public. For further information see the Urban Studies website.

On the "goings" front, we wish Robert Self (History and Urban Studies) the best in his new position in the History Department at Brown University in Providence, Rhode Island. We particularly thank him for the fine job he did chairing our Lectures Committee for the past two years. Good Luck, Robert! For a West Coast guy, both in education and in research, we paraphrase Horace Greeley's old saw: Go East Young Man!

There have been big changes on campus and in Milwaukee this year as well. Last summer, Chancellor Nancy Zimpher resigned to become President of the University of Cincinnati. New Chancellor, Carlos Santiago, economist, most recently from the University at Albany, SUNY, starts in a few weeks. Tom Barrett was elected Milwaukee mayor in April. Even that perennial Milwaukee personality, Bo Black, left Summerfest. Don Smiley is the new Executive Director. And the Brewers are actually above .500!

See inside for the news about our alums, Greer Award winners, the Student Forum, the October Symposium on Milwaukee History and other programs planned for next year. And there's more. The Urban History Association meets in Milwaukee in October. The national meeting of the American Society for Public Administration comes to Milwaukee next April. Read on....

Margo Anderson, July 2004

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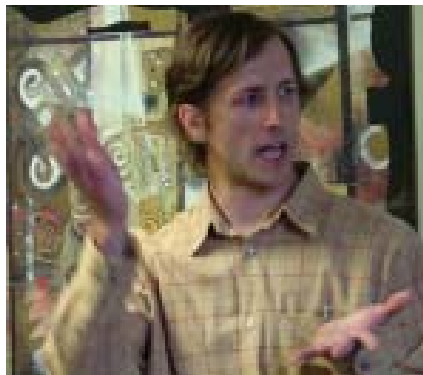
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Social Research and Urban Life

Ninth Annual Student Forum

The Student Forum was held on April 24, 2004 in the Student Union and was a great success (as usual!). Sixteen students presented the results of their research during the course of the day. One hundred people attended John Logan's keynote lecture, "Choosing Segregation in America's Public Schools." Thanks for a smooth running and intellectually stimulating day go to the fine work of the Student Forum Committee, this year chaired by doctoral student, Kimberly Stephenson.





Pam Fendt

Post Graduate Contribution to Urban Affairs

Pamela Fendt is a senior policy analyst at the Center for Economic Development at UWM where she has worked since completing her Masters degree in Urban Studies in 1996. The Center's two main activities are conducting applied policy research and providing technical assistance to community-based organizations involved in economic development activities. Pam's research is also frequently quoted on national media including ABC World News Tonight, the New York Times, Chicago Tribune, Dallas Morning Sun, Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, Newsday, Newsweek, and several other newspapers and radio. In 2004 she received the Academic Staff Regents Award in Excellence; in 2002 the Public Service Award from the Wisconsin Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers, and in 2000 she received the President's Award from the Northeast Milwaukee Industrial Development Corporation.



Darlene Weis

Postgraduate Achievement in Advancing Understanding of
Urban Social Institutions

Darlene Weis, who received her Masters of Science in Nursing from Marquette University in 1964 and her Ph.D. in Urban Social Institutions from UWM in 1988, is an Associate Professor at Marquette University.

While a professor at Marquette, current projects require Dr. Weis to spend time working abroad. In 2000, Dr. Weis has served on the America International Health Alliance (AIHA), Primary Health Care (PHC), Nursing Steering Committee for Russia, and the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS). The committee is made up of 4 nurses from the US and 5 from Russia and the CIS. The committee has conducted workshops on clinical nursing skills in Georgia, Azerbaijan, Armenia, Russia, Ukraine, and Kazakhstan. For her outstanding dedication and hard work she has received

several honors and awards including the Community Service Award, City of Greenfield, WI, 1991 and 1999; Outstanding Nursing Scholar - Sigma Theta Tau International-Delta Gamma, Milwaukee, WI, 1993; Faculty Development Award for Research Presentation at Nursing Conference in Seoul, Korea and Taipei, Taiwan, ROC, 1989. Dr. Weis has also been published in numerous professional journals and presented papers at more than 50 conferences both at home and abroad.



Lynn Gransee

Best Student Paper - 9th Annual Student Forum

"The Social Construction of a 'City Within the City' - Milwaukee's Elderly."

Lynn Gransee received her bachelor's degree in Psychology from UWM and worked in the State Division of Child and Family Services before starting her master's degree in Urban Studies in 2001. She has also earned a Graduate Certificate in Women's Studies, served as the Student Forum coordinator in 2002, and is planning to pursue doctoral studies in USP after completion of the MS degree.

STUDENT PAPER HONORABLE MENTIONS

Eric Gass – "Race, Health Insurance, and Hospital Admissions"

Chris Lazarski – "Civil Defense and Urban Renewal: Mayor Zeidler's Milwaukee 1948-1960"

Nchinda Zacharia Nchinda – "The Emerging Urban Space in Libreville and Douala: 1884-1914"

NEW STUDENTS 2004



Master's Program

Wes Albinger
Diane Burnham
Michael Farr
Jeremy Happel
Margaret King
I-Hui Lin
Andrew Lutz
Joshua Papia
Salimah Rashada
Dillon Young

Doctoral Program

Ozgur Avci
Jennifer Castillo
Eunice Ritland
Jeannine Rowe
Michelle Wojcik
Renee Zakhar

Diane Burnham received a Milwaukee Idea Economic Development fellowship and will begin this Fall. Information about the MIED fellowship program, is located at: <http://www.uwm.edu/Milwaukee/Idea/CEO/mied/index.html>.

Michael Farr "I graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater in December of 2000 with a BA in Sociology. Since graduation I have spent six months in Australia on a work exchange program. I spent most of my time there in Sydney. I have been working in the Restaurant business since graduation and in reaching a near management level, I realized that I would like to further my studies instead. I chose the Urban Studies Program because it offers a great diversity in course work, and I feel that this diversity is a key approach to solving problems. My career goals will be to work for a non-profit or city government organization in working to assist the economically challenged. I have already taken The Internal Structure of the City with Judith Kenny and I really enjoyed the course. I look forward to meeting and working with all of you in the program, and I'll see you in the fall."

Jeremy Happel "I am pursuing grad study at UWM because I want to be involved with public policy and government in a large urban area. As a native Wisconsinite, I want to help shape the future of my state and it's most important city. For the past two years I have been working as a historic preservation consultant with Mead & Hunt, Inc. in both Madison and Minneapolis. We work extensively with WisDOT, Mn/DOT, and county and municipal governments throughout the Midwest. My work has taught me a great deal about government regulations, but it has its limits. Hopefully, a graduate degree from the USP will allow me to become involved with public policy and the decision making process in Milwaukee and Wisconsin in general."

I-Hui Lin "I am from Taiwan, an island country. I received my bachelor's degree in Land Management in 2003, in which I have learned issues of land using both in urban and rural areas and application of GIS to those issues. For graduate study, I intend to pursue related issues of urban development/redevelopment. For studying in US, I not only aim for academic learning but also wish to learn more about US, of course mainly English, and get along well with other members in USP family!"

Ozgur Avci "My undergraduate education was in the field of Business Administration from Middle East Technical University in Turkey. I am currently finishing my master's degree in Political Science this summer. I believe that urban studies in Turkey suffers the absence of a theoretical framework and shallow empiricism. Therefore, I am especially keen on making contribution in urban studies in my country enhancing my theoretical knowledge and learning more about the advanced studies and research carried out abroad."

Eunice Ritland "I am currently in the sociology masters program and will graduate in December. I am working on my masters paper which concerns mobilizations strategies used by the anti-Iraq war movement. My interest areas are community development, social change/social justice, social movements. I will most likely focus on community development and/or historical/comparative perspectives on urban social movements during my time in the doctoral program. I plan to start the program in Spring 2005. I went to UW-Green Bay for my BA and majored in Social Change and Development with minors in Urban and Regional Studies and Sociology. After I get the PhD I hope to pursue a career in social change, either in a government service position or with a nonprofit."

Jeannine M. Rowe, MSW, is a recipient of the UWM Center on Age & Community Scholarship for the 2004-05 academic year. This scholarship will support Ms. Rowe's doctoral work in the Urban Studies Program. Her academic interests include aging-related social issues in the urban environment and how they impact individuals and their families. Ms. Rowe is an Assistant Researcher in the Office of Applied Gerontology located in the Helen Bader School of Social Welfare where she works under the guidance of Dr. Rhonda Montgomery. Her current projects include collaborating on the development of an assessment instrument that will assist providers and guide their work with family caregivers and collaborating on research in caregiving burden.

Dillon Young "I received my undergraduate degree Minnesota State University, Mankato in History and a minor in Urban Studies. Along with attempting to get my masters in Urban Studies, I am also attending the Library and Information Sciences for a MLIS degree. My goals in my career is to become a public librarian or a Public Library director in a major metropolitan area."

NEW STUDENTS

Carrie Costello "Changing Clothes: Gender Inequality and Professional Socialization" forthcoming, *National Women's Studies Association Journal*; and "Cosmetic Genital Surgery Performed upon Children" in Robert Perrucci, Kathleen Ferraro, JoAnn Miller, Paula C. Rodriguez Rust, eds. *Solutions: Agenda for Social Justice 2004* (Knoxville: TN: Society for the Study of Social Problems), pp. 81-86.

Chris DeSousa received a HUD Urban Scholars Postdoctoral Fellowship Project for a project on "Increasing Residential Development Activity on Urban Brownfields: An Examination of Redevelopment Trends, Developer Perceptions, and Future Prospects." He also received a small grant from the UWM Helen Bader Institute for Non-Profit Management for the project on "The Role of Nonprofit Organizations in the Greening of Urban Brownfields: a Comparative Examination of Management Approaches and Outcomes."

Rina Ghose has recently published articles in *Urban Geography*, *URISA Journal*, and *Geospatial Today*. Her article, "Investigating Community Participation, Spatial Knowledge Production and GIS Use in Inner City Revitalization," appeared in the *Journal of Urban Technology*, vol. 10, no. 1 (2003): 39-60.

Victor Greene's (History/USP Professor Emeritus) new book is out: *A Singing Ambivalence: American Immigrant Songs Between Old World and New, 1830-1930* (Kent State University Press, 2004). His article, "Dealing with Diversity: Milwaukee's Multi-Ethnic Festivals and Urban Identity," will appear in the *Journal of Urban History* in 2005. Victor was elected to be on the Executive Board of the Immigration and Ethnic History Society and appointed to the joint OAH-IEHS John Higman Travel Awards Committee.

Faculty

Study Abroad Course Held on International Sustainable Development

This past June, Chris DeSousa led a class of 13 students to Toronto, Canada for a class on Sustainable Cities. The course examined measures undertaken by public, private and non-profit institutions to improve the social, economic and environmental sustainability of a city outside of the United States. The first part of the course was in Milwaukee where students explored the evolution of our urban environmental crisis and the emergence of the sustainable city. The second part of the course combined early morning class meetings and late-morning/afternoon field visits throughout Toronto. Guest speakers came from the Department of Geography, the Program in Planning, and the Institute for Environmental Studies at the University of Toronto. The students, from a variety of UWM degree programs, undertook field-based activities at a number of public, private, and non-profit institutions where they learned about the range of policy, program and management measures developed and implemented in Toronto. Among the students was USP doctoral student, Ruben Anthony: "I was extremely impressed with how Toronto has managed to build a "multi-modal" transportation network. They have also done a great job in maximizing the use of space in Toronto. Developers have decided to build vertically, as result of there being limited space to expand their horizontal boundaries. The most surprising aspect of Toronto was its "Multi-Culturalism". I have never been to a place more culturally diverse."

Ann Greer's research was featured in an article about "10 scholars who help make Milwaukee a brighter place" in the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* on March 9th. Headlined as one of ten "Beautiful Minds," the article highlighted Ann's "25 years studying medical care in Europe and North America... and her expertise [showing] how advances in medicine are absorbed."

Doug Ihrke has had articles published in *Journal of Urban Affairs, Nonprofit Management and Leadership, Journal of Health and Human Service Administration*, and the *American Review of Public Administration*. He also published two book chapters.

Steve Meyer recently published "Workplace Predators: Sexuality and Harassment on the US Automotive Shop Floor, 1930-60" in *Labor: Studies in the Working-Class History of the Americas*, Vol. 1, No. 1 (Spring 2004). He is working on a paper "Sex and the Motor City: The Bachelor Culture of Detroit Auto Workers, 1910-1940" for the fall Newberry Labor History Seminar. Steve will be the History Department Chair in the fall.

Amanda Seligman presented a paper, "Considering Tocqueville, Alinsky, and Putnam: Community-Based Organizing in Twentieth-Century Chicago," at the Chicago Historical Society and the Davis Center of Princeton University in February.

William Velez (with René Antrop-González and Tomás Garrett) published results of their study of high achieving Puerto Rican high school students in an article, "Donde están los estudiantes puertorriqueños académicamente exitosos?" *Myriad* (2004), pp. 16-23.

Frank Wilson *Race, Class, and the Postindustrial City* (Albany, NY: SUNY Press 2004).

NEWSMAKERS

Robert O. Self



American Babylon: Race and the Struggle for Postwar Oakland
(Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2004)

HARRY W. SCHWARTZ BOOKSHOPS

February 17, 2004

LIVE AT SCHWARTZ

UWM Assistant Professors Discuss
RACE RELATIONS

Kent Redding



Making Race, Making Power: North Carolina's Road to Disfranchisement
(Champaign: University of Illinois Press, 2004)

NEW Faculty



Rhonda Montgomery

(PhD University of Minnesota/Sociology)
Areas of Interest: Aging and Adult
Development, Family Relations, Health Care
Deliver, and Policy Analysis



Rina Ghose

(PhD University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee/Geography)
Areas of Interest: Geographic Information Science,
Urban Geography, South Asia



Meredith Reitman

(PhD University of Washington/Geography)
Areas of Interest: spaces of whiteness, racialized
belonging in the workplace, labor market inequality
workplace, labor market inequality

NEWSMAKERS continued

Anne Banda presented a paper "Constructing an Urban Cultural Institution: The New Bibliothèque nationale du Québec a Montréal," at the International Studies Association annual convention in Montreal, in March.

Paul Rivas received the Scholar-in-Residence grant from the UW System Institute on Race and Ethnicity. Paul also presented a film/lecture series on skinheads for the Institute this past spring. He also presented a work in progress "WWW.Hate: A Content Analysis of Ku Klux Klan Websites" at the American Association of Behavioral and Social Sciences in Las Vegas in February.

Phyllis Santacroce has completed a chapter for the forthcoming legal treatise, *Wisconsin Methods of Practice*. This book will be used by practitioners throughout the state and covers all areas of law in Wisconsin. Her chapter, "Termination of Parental Rights," is a comprehensive overview of termination law in the State of Wisconsin. The book is scheduled to be published in October 2004.

Kimberly Stephenson is currently working this summer with the WisDOT as a Program & Planning Analyst Senior for WisDOT Transportation office in Waukesha. Kim is working to identify strategies for future outreach for the rebuilding of southeast Wisconsin's freeway system and working on Environmental Justice on projects such as the Marquette Interchange. For the upcoming academic year Kim will be a teaching assistantship for the Department of Africology.

Michael Bonds (PhD, 98) *Race, Politics, and Community Development Funding: The Discolor of Money* (Haworth Press, Inc., 2004).

Pam Fendt (MS, 96) received a 2004 Regents Academic Staff Award for Excellence. Pam works as a senior policy analyst at the UWM Center for Economic Development. Pam also received a Scott Greer award this year, see page 3.

Kelly Patterson (PhD, 02) "A Longitudinal Study of African American Women and the Maintenance of a Health Self Esteem", *Journal of Black Psychology*, forthcoming August 2004.

Amanda J. Ahrndt (MS, 5/04)
Major Professor: Eleanor Miller
Paper: Erving Goffman's Sociology of the Body

Steve Byers (PhD, 5/04)
Major Professor: Joe Rodriguez
Dissertation: Diverse Community, Diverse Newspapers: How Milwaukee's Black Press Reflected Its Diversity, 1968-2002

Patrick Falvey (PhD, 5/04)
Major Professor: Ann Greer
Dissertation: Care Management in Complex Organizations: Intraorganizational Relationships and the Legitimization of Integrated Healthcare Delivery Systems

Michael Grover (PhD, 5/04)
Major Professor: Margo Anderson
Dissertation: The End of Politics: The Rise and Fall of the Eastside Housing Action Coalition (ESHAC), 1970 -1995

Carolyn Keller (MS, 12/03)
Major Professor: Joe Rodriguez
Paper: Maintenance or Transition? Urban History and Bilingual Education in Milwaukee and Waukesha

Florence Kyomugisha (PhD, 8/03)
Major Professor: Margo Anderson
Dissertation: African-American Women at Risk of HIV: Their Attitudes and Beliefs about Heterosexual Relationships

Michael Martin (PhD, 12/03)
Major Professor: William Velez
Dissertation: Latino Segregation in U.S. Metropolitan Areas: Historical Trends and Causes 1980-2000

Mark Mulder (PhD, 12/03)
Major Professors (Co-Chairs): Victor Greene & Joe Rodriguez
Dissertation: A Dissonant Faith: The Exodus of Reformed Dutch Churches from the South Side of Chicago

Nealon (Mark) Shelley (PhD, 5/04)
Major Professor: Dale Jaffe
Dissertation: The Invisible Vietnamese: Ethnic Community and Assimilation in Milwaukee

Marcus White (MS, 12/03)
Major Professor: Margo Anderson
Paper: The Church and Social Justice in South Africa: From Apartheid to Current Issues

UPCOMING REGIONAL AND NATIONAL CONFERENCES OF INTEREST TO URBANISTS:

15TH Conference on the Small City and Regional Community, September 30 and October 1, 2004
University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, Stevens Point, Wisconsin
Theme: "Managing Local Government in Times of Unrelenting Pressures"
http://www.uwsp.edu/polisci/smallcity/Call_for_Papers.htm

The Second Biennial Urban History Conference, October 7-10, 2004
University Center for Continuing Education, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
<http://www.aspanet.org/conferences/index.html>

66th ASPA National Conference, Milwaukee, Wisconsin – April 2-5, 2005
Conference Theme: "Advancing Public Service Performance: Innovations in Research and Practice"
<http://www.aspanet.org/conferences/index.html>




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USP COMING EVENTS

- August 23, 2004 Project & Teaching Assistantship Orientation
10 AM (Bolton 768)
- August 23, 2004 New Student Orientation
11 AM (Bolton 768)
- August 23, 2004 LUNCHEON – EVERYONE INVITED!
12 PM (Bolton 768)
- October 1, 2004 Fall Social
5 PM (Hefter Center)
- May 7, 2005 Student Forum – 10th Annual!
Keynote: Dr. Douglas Rae

Richard S. Ely Professor of Organization and Management and Professor of Political Science at Yale. His new book, *City: Urbanism and Its End*, is generating widespread attention. He asks about (and the provides) “a new understanding of the modern city, its challenges, and why old ideas about urban renewal won’t work.”

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