

**University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
College of Letters and Science
Urban Studies Programs**

Ph.D. Program in Urban Studies

Addendum to the Application to the UWM Graduate School

Instructions

The following question is an obligatory part of the application to the Ph.D. Program in Urban Studies at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. It invites you to elaborate upon the reasons statement required by the UWM Graduate School. You should feel free in answering this question to draw upon that statement. You will want, however, to take advantage of the opportunity this question affords to go more fully into your reasons for taking up the academic study of urban affairs and to describe your intellectual ambitions in the field.

Please send your essay, which should be approximately 1,000 words in length, directly to the USP office along with your writing sample. The "Reason for Graduate Study" should be submitted to the Graduate School with the other application materials.

Question

Your application to the doctoral program in urban studies at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee signals a desire to study from multidisciplinary perspectives, the diverse phenomena of urban life at the highest academic level. When and how did you decide to become an urbanist? What kind of urbanist do you envision yourself becoming? In answering this question, please indicate how training in history, sociology, and related social sciences will contribute to your development as an urbanist.