

**PN**
[Plannersnetwork.org](http://Plannersnetwork.org)

INSIDE THIS ISSUE

- Become a member
- Join a local chapter
- Share news and resources
- Read the magazine
- Discuss the issues
- Participate in the conference

**PN NEWS**
**PN MEMBER UPDATES**
**NEW & RENEWING**
**PUBLICATIONS**
**EVENTS**
**CALL FOR PAPERS**
**ON-LINE RESOURCES**
**JOBS**

Please send in your updates to [newsletter@plannersnetwork.org](mailto:newsletter@plannersnetwork.org). Send in news about yourself and your work, notices about jobs, events, publications, and grants of interest to progressive planners (maximum 100 words please). Have a message or opinion you want to get out? Write it up (maximum 250 words; longer pieces may be considered for the magazine) and send them in as well.

## PN NEWS

### 2011 Planners Network DisOrientation Guide - Call for Participation Proposal deadline: December 15th, 2010.

Carla Klassen, Molly Johnson, Yuseph Katiya and Amy Siciliano have started the exciting task of updating the Disorientation Guide. For those unfamiliar with the guide, it reflects many of the issues and challenges each generation of would be-planners encounters as they begin in the field. The Disorientation Guide, (available from [here](#)), is one of PN's most popular resources, downloaded over 1,500 times last month alone! In fact, many of us were introduced to Planners Network through the guide. It has been used in the classroom, as well as in communities, both a resource and organizing tool. Importantly, it acts as a counterweight to the planning status quo.

We have an expected publication date of Fall 2011 and are actively looking for contributions. This is a great opportunity to get your ideas and actions in wider circulation while also contributing to progressive planning education.

Similar to the 2004-2005 version, the 2011 edition will reflect the diversity of PN voices and include a variety of articles, resources and practical tools. We are particularly interested in making the 2011 edition more interactive and multimedia friendly. Possible content/topic ideas might include:

- A photo-essay, graphic story, or short video of a planning-related project you are working on.
- An article on bridging the planning vs. community activism divide.

- A reflection on the particularities of planning in your town/region/country
- Urban greenwashing: What does urban sustainability mean to progressive planners?
- Diversity in the classroom/in the field.
- Why I went to planning school after being a....
- Why I dropped out of planning school to become a....
- The most influential planning course you took and why.
- Progressive planning for practitioners: How do you survive at your job?
- The life, death and rebirth of a PN chapter: A short essay on your PN-Chapter (history, events, accomplishments, plans for the future challenges etc...)
- An annotated list of progressive planning resources. This may include books, films, websites, blogs, organizations etc...
- Top ten planning issues facing cities in the next 100 years and why.
- Short interviews with community activists, educators and/or planning practitioners.
- Other ideas?

We welcome collaborative submissions, and are especially interested in hearing about issues, people and places underrepresented in planning literature. Final submissions will range from 500-1500 words, or 1-2 pages of images, depending on the topic of your proposal and will be due mid-February. To get a sense of the range of submissions and style of writing have a look at the previous Disorientation Guide.

Please send a short proposal (2-3 sentences/50-100 words) outlining your idea to [disorientationguide2011@gmail.com](mailto:disorientationguide2011@gmail.com). We will accept proposals until December 15th, 2010.

Finally, if you would like to help-us with copy-editing, layout, web design (who wants to design the cover?), and/or general brainstorming, please get in touch. If you any questions on the project do not hesitate to contact us at the email address above.

## Just Metropolis - Call for Papers

Thank you again for contributing your ideas to our Towards a Just Metropolis: From Crises to Possibilities conference. We received much positive feedback on that event, including requests to publish some of the great papers, investigations, and stories that were presented in various formats at the conference.

We have set up an exciting publishing collaboration to create a permanent record of what transpired and to reach new audiences. Five different publications are involved: **Progressive Planning Magazine**, **The Berkeley Planning Journal**, **Justice Spatial/Spatial Justice**, **S.A.P.I.EN.S.**, and **Places Magazine**. The effort is being coordinated by **New Village Press**, the imprint of ADPSR and a co-sponsor of the conference.

We are happy to invite you to be part of this project. Whether you presented a paper, chaired a panel, or just attended the conference and felt inspired to write something on a relevant topic, we'd love to hear from you. We ask you to send us a 250-word abstract of your proposal by **November 15, 2010**.

Please, visit our updated website - [www.justmetropolis.org](http://www.justmetropolis.org) - to learn more about this project, to review the guidelines for each of the five publications involved, and to submit your abstract.

We really look forward to hearing from you!

We really look forward to hearing from you!

Thank you,

Stefania De Petris  
New Village Press (Project Coordinator)  
[stefania@newvillagepress.net](mailto:stefania@newvillagepress.net)

### Update from PN Montreal Chapter:

With the **Alternative Policy Institute of Montreal (IPAM)**, PN Montreal co-sponsored a seminar by **Peter Marcuse** on September 16, 2010 at **Concordia University**. The theme of the seminar was “**Social Justice and the City: What Is It? Who Really Wants It?**” and the event was a huge success, attended by over 130 people. The audience was diverse and consisted of students, academics, heads of community organisations and citizens at large. It received local media coverage.

In addition to the formal seminar, Professor Marcuse had an informal workshop with student and community organizers on September 15, 2010. This workshop was held at McGill University and co-sponsored by the Community-University Research Alliance/Making Megaprojects Work for Communities and the McGill School of Urban Planning. For more information about PN Montreal, contact Yuseph Katiya at [yusephkatiya@gmail.com](mailto:yusephkatiya@gmail.com).

## PN MEMBER UPDATES

**PNer David Turcotte** is principal investigator on a HUD funded Healthy Homes Demonstration Program grant to conduct environmental health assessments within the homes of low-income families with asthmatic children, develop interventions to address identified health and safety hazards, and evaluate health outcomes. David co-authored an article that recently appeared in the journal Networks and Spatial Economics titled, **What Foreclosed Homes Should a Municipality Purchase to Stabilize Vulnerable Neighborhoods?**

**PNer Clement Lau** has been promoted to the position of **Departmental Facilities Planner at the Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation**. His major responsibilities include: reviewing proposed residential subdivisions and determining their parkland obligations; serving as the Department’s representative on the County’s Subdivision Committee; and preparing park and recreation plans for unincorporated areas of the county. He previously worked for the Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning and the consulting firm of Cotton/Bridges/Associates in Pasadena, California.

### From PNer Jason Blackman:

I have recently as started a new position with [Tradeworks Training Society](#), an organization that provides job-related skills training, counseling and work opportunities in Vancouver’s Downtown Eastside. Over the next six months, I will be coordinating the startup of a new social enterprise and I would very much like to connect with other PNers working in this emerging field, send me an email if you’d like to connect: [mjason.blackman@gmail.com](mailto:mjason.blackman@gmail.com).

## NEW & RENEWING MEMBERS

Laura Adler  
Chris Benner  
Martin Blanchard  
Richard Borbridge  
Audra Brecher  
Amy Bzdak  
Sarah Cullingham  
Louise Dunlap  
Spencer Edwards  
Ingrid Heilke  
Tarry Hum  
Candice Hung  
Kelsey Jones-Casey

Pete Kane  
Tara Krueger  
Daniel Lewis  
Graham Macdonald  
Laura MacNeil  
Sara Margolis  
Thane Maxwell  
Aaron McKeon  
Jackie Mercer  
Marla Nelson  
Mark Olson  
Anthony Robalik  
Debra Rolfe

Peg Seip  
Amy Siciliano  
Elizabeth Siletti  
Robert Silverman  
Maxwell Sokol  
Lauren Standke  
Philip Tegeler  
Adrian Torres  
David West  
Andrew Williams-Clark  
Jordan Yin

## PUBLICATIONS

**“Reluctant Rural Regionalists”** (2009), by Peter V. Hall and Pamela Stern, is published in the *Journal of Rural Studies* 25: 67-76. Click [here](#) for the full article.

**“National Study of Nonprofit-Government Contracting: State Profiles”** (October 2010), by Elizabeth T. Boris, Erwin de Leon, Katie L. Roeger and Milena Nikolova, is published by Urban Institute. For the full report, visit [here](#).

**“The Latent and Sequential Costs of Being Poor: An Exploration of Housing, Poverty & Public Policy”** (2010), by Joanna Duke-Lucio, Laura R. Peck and Elizabeth A. Segal is available from [here](#).

**“Balancing Affordability and Opportunity: An Evaluation of Affordable Homeownership Programs with Long-term Affordability Controls”** (October 2010), by Kenneth Temkin, Brett Theodos and David Price, is a new publication by the Urban Institute. To access the full report, visit [here](#).

**“The Preservation Guide: Federal Housing and Homelessness Plans -- Potential Tools in the Affordable Housing Preservation Toolbox”** (April 2010, 65 pp.) is a report by the National Low Income Housing Coalition. To download the full report click [here](#).

**“More Transit = More Jobs”** (September 2010, 30 pp.), By Todd Swanstrom, Will Winter and Laura Wiedlocher, has been published by Transportation Equity Network. For more information, visit [here](#).

**“Uncensored: American Family Experience with Poverty and Homelessness”** (2010, 25pp. Vol. 1, Issue. 2) is a new publication from the Institute for Children, Poverty and Homelessness. To request a free copy or to download, visit [here](#)

**“What the Housing Crisis Means for State and Local Governments”** (October 2010), by Kim Rueben and Serena Lei, is a report by Lincoln Institute of Land Policy. For the full article, visit [here](#).

**Community Development Journal**, Free online access to the Journal, Community Development, for 2 months! Sign-in at [www.informaworld.com](http://www.informaworld.com). Click on the ‘Got a Voucher?’ link and enter this code: VRCOD10001F77D.

### **Journal of Planning Theory and Practice**

The following articles are featured in the current edition of Planning Theory and Practice, which centres on the theme of change:

- Andy Inch's 'Culture Change as Identity Regulation' explores the impact of this on the identities of public servants in general, and planners in particular.
- 'Private Influence Preceding Public Involvement' is a hard-hitting investigation of the impact on urban development of new public-private partnerships, written by Raine Mantysalo and Inger-Lise Saglie.

The negotiation process is also a central concern of Haeran Shin's groundbreaking paper, titled 'Can One Actually Say What One Wants?' challenges the idea that participation alone is enough to ensure that marginalized groups are heard.

Can a thought change the world? Discourse analysis would certainly suggest that ideas themselves have a kind of power and energy that has agency in real life. In this spirit, Loris Servillo investigates the **impact of the concept of 'territorial cohesion' on spatial planning**, exploring the idea as a cultural construct that has defined stakeholder behaviour and policy-making at an international level in a variety of complex ways.

## EVENTS

**November 8-9, 2010. World Town Planning Day Online Conference.** This year's focus is Integrating Food Systems into the Planning Process ([Website](#)). Registration closes on November 5, 2010 at Midnight EST.

**November 19, 2010. Community Planning and Development in Puerto Rican and Pan-Latino New York: Problems and New Approaches for Teaching and Practice.** A dialogue for educators, professionals, activists and students in urban and community planning. Hunter College School of Social Work, 79th St. & Lexington Ave., Manhattan #6 train to 77 St.

**Schedule:** 9:30 am Coffee and registration;

**10-12 Panel:** Problems with current professional training and practice; 12-1 pm Lunch provided;

**1-3 Panel:** New approaches and challenges in Pan-Latino New York.

**Panelists:** Eddie Bautista, NYC Environmental Justice Alliance  
Miranda Martínez, Brooklyn College  
Ricardo Soto-López, Hunter UAP Alumnus, 1989  
Leonardo Vazquez, Rutgers University

**Moderators:** Tom Angotti and Edwin Meléndez, Hunter College

Open to all RSVP: Mario Quijano, [marioquijano11@yahoo.com](mailto:marioquijano11@yahoo.com)

Sponsored by Hunter College Center for Community Planning and Center for Puerto Rican Studies. Made possible by a grant from the Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE).

**July 18-21, 2011. Global Studies Conference.** Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The Global Studies Conference and the Global Studies Journal are devoted to mapping and interpreting new trends and patterns in globalization. The conference serves as an open forum for exploring globalization from many perspectives in a wide variety of locations ([Website](#)).

## CALL FOR PAPERS

**International Graduate Student Research Conference on Latin America and the Caribbean: Creative and Critical Perspectives**

In November 2008, the Centre for Research on Latin America and the Caribbean (CERLAC) held its first International Graduate Student Research Conference. This conference attracted over 70 presenters from Canada, the US, Europe and Latin America who presented in 20 thematic panels over a two day period. Expert faculty discussants helped ensure rich debate and provided timely feedback, and selected papers were published in the CERLAC Working Paper series. With the intention of continuing the conversations begun in 2008, we are inviting submissions for a second graduate student conference to be held 11-12 March 2011.

In recognition of the diversity within the region, creative and critical paper, panel and alternative presentation proposals are welcome on any aspect of study of Latin America and the Caribbean as a whole and/or its constituent parts. This conference represents an outstanding opportunity to recognize and explore emergent innovative research by graduate students in all disciplines including (but not limited to) the social sciences, humanities, fine arts, environmental studies, law and business. We also seek contributors whose work can open fruitful dialogues and exchange across traditional disciplinary boundaries.

CERLAC is an interdisciplinary research unit that works to build academic and cultural links between these regions and Canada; to inform researchers, policy advisors, and the public on matters concerning the regions; to assist in the development of research and teaching institutions that directly benefit the peoples of the regions; and to promote scholarship and knowledge production on issues of relevance to the regions. From its founding in 1978, CERLAC has been the preeminent regional research body in Canada, with over 100 Fellows based in Canada and internationally, and a broad network of institutional partners throughout the Americas.

### *Contact/Submissions:*

- Individual Submissions: Download application form [here](#): The form includes a request for a list of 5 carefully chosen keywords, and a 250-word (maximum) abstract for papers, panels or alternative presentations.
- Panel Proposals: Download form [here](#): We also encourage applicants to submit thematic panel proposals as a way to bring colleagues together to discuss current research and to advance a particular field.
- Languages: We are accepting submissions in English, French, Portuguese and Spanish.

The deadline for the submission of abstracts and panel proposals is November 15; those planning to present in alternative formats (e.g. film, dance, visual arts, music, etc.) are encouraged to contact us earlier. Inquiries and completed application forms may be sent to [lacsconf@yorku.ca](mailto:lacsconf@yorku.ca).

Applicants will receive confirmation of acceptance by mid-January. Presenters will be asked to submit their papers by March 1, 2011.

- For conference website visit [here](#).
- For more information about CERLAC visit [here](#).
- For details regarding the previous (2008) Graduate Student Research Conference, visit [here](#).

## Urb-VO, ([Website](#))

Promotes the use of audiovisual means in the milieu of urbanism. There are several short films featured on the website with the concept of urbanism.

## National League of Cities

([Website](#))

The National League of Cities is the oldest and largest national organization representing municipal governments throughout the United States. Its mission is to strengthen and promote cities as centers of opportunity, leadership, and governance.

## JOBS

### CALIFORNIA

#### Faculty Position in Housing

University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)

Los Angeles, CA

The UCLA Department of Urban Planning invites applications for a tenure-track faculty position in housing beginning July 1, 2011. We seek bold and innovative thinkers who show intellectual leadership in addressing the housing challenges and inequalities faced by diverse populations in cities and regions. The appointment is expected to be at the rank of assistant professor, although applicants at other levels may also be considered. A Ph.D. in Urban Planning or a related field is required.

The UCLA School of Public Affairs - home to the departments of Public Policy, Social Welfare, and Urban Planning as well as five research centers - and its sister schools and centers, including the UCLA Ziman Center for Real Estate, provide an outstanding intellectual setting. Southern California is one of the world's major metropolitan areas, with rich cultural, social, intellectual and recreational offerings.

While applications will be accepted until the position is filled, all materials should be submitted by **December 10, 2010** to be guaranteed full consideration. Send hard copies of a (a) letter of application, (2) resume/c.v., (3) names and contact information for three academic referees, and a (4) single representative article or conference paper to: Ms. Marsha Brown, Department of Urban Planning, School of Public Affairs, University of California, Los Angeles; Los Angeles, CA 90095-1656. Please reference tracking number 1184-1011-01.

UCLA offers an attractive salary and benefits package, including a housing assistance program for new faculty members. Salary is commensurate with education and experience. For more information about the department, please visit our [website](#). AA/EOE.

### IDAHO and COSTA RICA

#### PhD Research Assistantship Regional Planning and Sustainable Communities

University of Idaho and CATIE - Costa Rica

**PhD Assistantship Announcements:** Interdisciplinary PhD Research Assistantships in Landscape Ecology and Ecosystem Service Science, Entomology, Regional Planning and Sustainable Communities, Social Systems and Resilient Livelihoods, and Environmental and Natural Resource Economics of the Chorotega Biological Corridor, a crucially important Mesoamerican landscape.

Up to five Ph.D. research assistantships will be available to join a collaborative team working on ecological, socio-economic, and institutional aspects of sustainable production, conservation, and sustainable rural livelihoods within the Hojancha region of Costa Rica. The linked dissertation projects will work in a region that faces a variety of natural resource management problems and where land use changes affect, positively or negatively, the provision of ecosystem services for which increasing demand exists.

With funding from the National Science Foundation's Integrative Graduate Education and Research Traineeship program (IGERT), fellows will pursue disciplinary research important for the overall theme, and work together to identify and address interdisciplinary issues critical for effective policy development, institution building, management planning, and implementation. The team will interact with members of five other IGERT-funded student/faculty teams pursuing similar objectives in other ecosystems in Costa Rica and Idaho in which sustainability and conservation in the face of changing conditions and pressures are desired.

**PhD Assistantship in Regional Planning and Sustainable Communities:** Seeking a highly motivated and qualified student with a background in urban and regional planning, anthropology, geography, law or political science to pursue the study of how the social, cultural, economic and/or political-legal and institutional frameworks affect rural livelihood and land use dynamics and how public and private decision-making affect sustainable forms of regional and local development.

Research will focus on a combination of the following or related topics: 1) understanding how complex contextual cultural, economic, social, institutional, and/or governance variables affect land-use decisions and political dynamics; and 2) evaluating the feasibility and appropriateness of alternative regional planning and governance approaches to shift the trajectory of decisions to meet both conservation and socio-economic development goals at multiple local and regional scales. Familiarity with case study design, mixed methods, and geospatial applications for scenario-building and NVIVO will assist the team address multiple resource values while responding to economic and climate change scenarios at various rural to urban and regional scales. The student will closely collaborate with the student working on Social Systems and Resilient Livelihoods (see below).

In addition, the student will conduct collaborative research to examine interdisciplinary aspects of ecological and social resilience in the dynamic, human-dominated landscape that constitutes the Hojancha region with team members in fields such as entomology, landscape ecology, ecosystem service science, rural sociology, and environmental and natural resource economics. Contact Sandra Pinel ([spinel@uidaho.edu](mailto:spinel@uidaho.edu)), Dietmar Stoian ([stoian@catie.ac.cr](mailto:stoian@catie.ac.cr)), and Roger Villalobos ([rvillalo@catie.ac.cr](mailto:rvillalo@catie.ac.cr)).

For further information, visit [here](#).



## KENTUCKY

**Open Rank - Tenure Professor or Associate or Tenure Track Assistant Professor - Urban and Public Affairs and Director, or Associate Director (Policy Research) of the Kentucky State Data Center**  
University of Louisville  
Louisville, KY

The Department of Urban and Public Affairs (UPA) at the University of Louisville invites applications for a tenure or tenure track appointment to serve as Director or Associate Director of the Kentucky State Data Center. In addition the appointment will serve as a faculty member in the department. Tenure and rank are negotiable and dependent upon qualifications. The position is a 12-month appointment and is expected to begin July 2011. The Kentucky State Data Center is the state's official liaison to the U.S. Census Bureau and also conducts basic research in public policy, evaluation, planning, etc. The Director of the State Data Center supervises general policy research and oversees the Federal-State Cooperative Program for Population Estimates. The appointee will have a 1-1 teaching load.

Qualifications for the position include: Ph.D. in demography, economics, geography, sociology, public policy, political science, statistics, urban planning or a related field; experience in areas of policy research in a collaborative academic setting; a record of grant and contract funding; excellent written, oral, and interpersonal communication skills; a record of academic, peer-reviewed publications suitable to the appointed rank or granting of tenure; an aptitude for working collaboratively with state and local governments, various organizations, the U.S. Census Bureau, and the academic community. An acquaintance with demography is desirable.

Review of applications will begin October 7, 2010 and continue until the position is filled. Applicants should apply via the University of Louisville Human Resources [website](#) for job opening #24804. Also send a cover letter, curriculum vitae, names and contact details for three potential references, to: Patty Sarley ([plclea01@louisville.edu](mailto:plclea01@louisville.edu)), Department of Urban and Public Affairs, University of Louisville, 426 W. Bloom Street, Louisville, KY 40208. Questions about the position may be directed to Professor H.V. Savitch at [hank.savitch@louisville.edu](mailto:hank.savitch@louisville.edu) or 502/852-7929. AA/EOE.

## NEW YORK

**Assistant/Associate Professor of politics and Advocacy**  
Milano The New School for Management and Urban Policy  
New York, NY

The New School seeks to fill a three-year renewable term faculty position in its Politics and Advocacy program. This position is housed in Milano, The New School for Management and Urban Policy, which is currently integrating with the University's Graduate Program in International Affairs.

The focus of this position is on teaching advanced professional skills in issue- and organization-centered advocacy in a political environment. The position includes

collaborating with the Center for New York City Affairs, an applied policy research institute housed within the school, and offering courses in other degree programs in the school and division. Responsibilities include teaching both undergraduate and graduate courses, advising students, and providing intellectual leadership for the program.

The successful candidate will have an understanding of the inter-connectedness of the for-profit, nonprofit, and public sectors. The areas of research in which we are interested include: State and local politics and government; lobbying and government relations; development and management of electoral and/or issue campaigns; the politics of policy implementation; media and public opinion; citizen or labor organizing; and/or issue advocacy. We seek a pool of candidates experienced in the possibilities and complexities of advocacy in a diverse democracy.

*Qualifications:* Applicants should hold either a Ph.D. in a relevant field or equivalent professional experience in politics or advocacy.

All applications must be completed online at The New School's Human Resource's [website](#). Please attach a cover letter, C.V., and the names of three referees who will be writing recommendation letters. (Note: only three attachments are accepted on the online site). Please send all additional materials BY MAIL to: Professor Andrew White, Chair Search Committee, The New School, 72 Fifth Avenue, Sixth Floor, New York, NY 10011.

### **Assistant Professor of Environmental Policy and Sustainable Management - Milano** The New School for Management and Urban Policy New York, NY

The New School seeks to hire a tenure track Assistant Professor in the Environmental Policy and Sustainable Management Program at Milano, The New School for Management and Urban Policy, which is currently integrating with the University's Graduate Program in International Affairs. This position is part of a new master's degree program, planned to begin in 2011-12, with two tracks, environmental policy (public policy and ecological impact) and sustainability management (organizational sustainability and ecological impact).

Responsibilities include teaching five courses per year to undergraduate and graduate students, advising students, and helping build and provide intellectual leadership for the program. The faculty member will also be affiliated with The Tishman Environment and Design Center, the interdisciplinary environmental research and education center at The New School and home to the undergraduate Environmental Studies Program. Candidates should have a strong background in environmental policy or sustainability management. Among the possible research interests are: sustainability strategy, environmental and resource economics, environmental assessment, and/or urban environmental policy or planning.

The ideal candidate would have a theoretical grounding in one of the following disciplines: organizational management, environmental policy, environmental economics, political science, sociology, or change management. As an interdisciplinary program that bridges theory and practice, we welcome candidates whose research crosses disciplines, and who combine research with practice or advocacy, in public policy or environmental justice.

All applications must be completed online at The New School's Human Resource's [website](#). Please attach a cover letter, C.V., and the names of three referees who will be writing letters. Please have all additional materials sent BY MAIL to: Professor John Clinton, Chair Search Committee, The New School, 72 Fifth Avenue, Room 707, New York, NY 10011.

Review of applications will begin **December 1, 2010** and will continue until the position is filled. The starting date for the position is July 1, 2011.

## UTAH

### **Tenure-Track Position in Environmental Planning at the rank of Assistant Professor**

University of Utah, Department of City & Metropolitan Planning  
Salt Lake City, Utah

The University of Utah College of Architecture + Planning (cA+P) invites applications for a tenure-track position at the rank of Assistant Professor in the Department of City and Metropolitan Planning. Applicants should have expertise in Environmental Planning along with additional strengths in urban design, community engagement, visualization techniques, or public policy. The successful candidate will be expected to teach undergraduate and graduate courses and advance research and creative work. Minimum qualifications include a Ph.D. in planning or related field by June 2010, and a demonstrated potential for impactful research and publication.

The Department of City & Metropolitan Planning at the University of Utah offers an excellent opportunity for the qualified candidate. In the past four years, the department has recruited a stellar faculty, received accreditation from the Planning Accreditation Board, and augmented its significant Bachelors and Masters programs with a Ph.D. in Metropolitan Planning, Policy, and Design as well as a joint Master of Real Estate Development with the School of Business.

Qualified applicants should submit a curriculum vitae, letter of application including statements of pedagogical and research/creative objectives, and a list of three references (with mailing and e-mail addresses as well as phone numbers,). Review of applications begins January 1, 2011 and appointment is to start Fall 2011. Please address questions and full applications for this position to Professor Keith Bartholomew, Chair, CMP Search Committee, College of Architecture + Planning, University of Utah, 375 South 1530 East, AAC 235, Salt Lake City, Utah 84112-0370 (email: [bartholomew@arch.utah.edu](mailto:bartholomew@arch.utah.edu)). For more information, visit [here](#).

## WASHINGTON, DC

### **Two Positions: Data Coordinator/Research Assistant, and Senior Policy Analyst - The Brookings Institution**

Washington, DC

The Brookings Institution, a non-partisan public policy organization in Washington, D.C., seeks to fill the following positions in its Metropolitan Policy Program:

**Position #1: Data Coordinator / Research Assistant**

*Basic Function:* Primarily manages and organizes large datasets and network files; and identifies appropriate data sources and responds to statistical/analytical queries from senior research staff; Conducts statistical analysis for the Program's work on demographic, social and economic trends; Prepares tables, GIS maps, and graphic presentations on Program's research findings.

*Education/Experience Requirements:* Bachelors of Arts or Sciences in the social sciences or computer science. Minimum of two years experience in managing, organizing, and manipulating multiple large-scale datasets; experience maintaining efficient electronic file systems; general understanding of basic IT infrastructure, specifically the relationship between users, servers, and networked storage in addition to basic knowledge of network protocols; general understanding of computing hardware, specifically processing power and memory usage rates, is a plus; experience with SQL or other data manipulation scripts; and experience working with Visual Basic is preferred. Work experience in fast-paced, public sector office (e.g., government, non-profit, or policy/political organizations) strongly preferred. Deadline to apply is **November 12, 2010**.

*Knowledge Requirements:* Strong interest in metropolitan demographics, economics, and policy required; proficiency in Access, Excel, SAS, ArcGIS and PowerPoint required; knowledge of SPSS, STATA, and Keynote desirable; strong organization, high initiative, strong interpersonal skills, eye for detail, creativity and design, mature judgment; ability to work in a fast-paced environment; and clear writing skills preferred; Competence to undertake research assignments with little supervision.

For more information on this job announcement, visit [here](#).

## **Position #2: Senior Policy Analyst**

*Basic Function:* Helps develop, oversee, and execute major research and policy development projects focused on the emerging "next economy," created in the nation's metropolitan areas. Helps conceptualize and manage projects and project sections; conducts research; drafts summaries of findings; drafts brief, reports, and memos; helps review and edit papers; and generally helps author publications emanating from the policy program. Helps plan policy meetings and public events as needed. Serve as external research liaison to scholars and constituency groups, conducting outreach and fielding inquiries as needed. Masters and conveys core program frameworks and formats into projects with multiple internal and external partners.

*Education/Experience Requirements:* Masters degree in public policy, economics, government, or other related disciplines required. Also required: Six years of professional experience writing and researching in a metropolitan, state, or federal policy environment, especially aimed at translating research findings in a clear and compelling way to policy and lay audiences; Significant project management and editorial experience is critical; Must have worked in a fast-paced, policy-oriented environment; Practical work experience in public policy field preferred; Experience in public policy, journalism, or issue campaigns is also welcome; Competence to undertake research and writing assignments with little or no supervision required.

*Knowledge Requirements:* Exemplary writing, research, and editing skills required. Must be able to produce clear, rigorous, in-depth policy analysis as well as to simplify and synthesize complex research, statistical, or policy information and

simplify and synthesize complex research, statistical, or policy information and convert academic literature into accessible, policy relevant documents. Must be a quick learner on a wide variety of public policy and metropolitan issues. Needs to be able to excel in a fast-paced environment and meet tight deadlines when necessary. Experience “versioning” of in-depth materials into a variety of high-impact formats is important. Requirement of project management and ability to organize and supervise the work of others critical. Must be a team player who can collaborate well with others on joint writing assignments. Strong basic knowledge of software packages such as Microsoft Word, WordPerfect, Excel, and PowerPoint required. Deadline to apply is **November 12, 2010**.

For more information on the job announcement, visit [here](#).

## Planning Associate

### Casey Trees

#### Washington, District of Columbia

Casey Trees is looking for a Planning Associate to work with the Director of Planning + Design to help integrate tree canopy restoration, enhancement and protection measures into District plans and projects. Duties include attending planning meetings, helping to define community based tree canopy goals, helping to draft public comment, and tracking land use changes and development patterns that impact DC’s tree canopy.

*Responsibilities:* Review and track DC plans and projects and make connections to existing and potential tree canopy; Study and report on current land use patterns for residential, business and public property and develop ways to encourage tree canopy increases in each different type of site; Represent Casey Trees on planning related steering committees, advisory teams and working groups; Attend public community planning, master planning and visioning meetings and encourage participants to incorporate tree canopy into planning initiatives; Draft public comments related to DC plans and projects for the Director of Planning + Design; Assist in developing training programs and informational workshops for professionals involved in planning, land, and community development.

*Qualifications:* Bachelor’s degree in urban, environmental or community planning or related field or 2 years experience in planning; Experience in presenting to groups; A passion for and commitment to urban, community and sustainable planning; Excellent communication, organizational, and interpersonal skills; Ability to manage multiple projects in a fast-paced nonprofit environment; Proficiency with MS Office, including Word, Outlook and Excel, is essential and experience with GIS is a plus.

Starting on or after January 20, 2011, with benefits, paid holidays, a uniform allowance, and a starting salary range of \$40,000-45,000 (commensurate with experience).

Please email the following items to Maisie Hughes, Director of Planning + Design, at [jobs@caseytrees.org](mailto:jobs@caseytrees.org), with "Planning Associate" as the subject: Cover Letter; Résumé; Available start date; Three references. Closing Date: **December 1, 2010**.

---

Questions or Comments? Email us at [newsletter@plannersnetwork.org](mailto:newsletter@plannersnetwork.org)