

43rd Annual Urban Affairs Association Conference

Building the 21st Century City: Inclusion, Innovation, and Globalization

[With special tracks on Media & Urban Life, and Urban Issues in Asia and the Pacific Rim]

San Francisco, California

The Fairmont Hotel

April 3-6, 2013

We invite you to submit a proposal for participation in the 2013 Urban Affairs Association Conference. UAA conferences are attended by scholars and practitioners from a variety of disciplines and are noted as a welcoming context for a diverse array of perspectives.

Call for participation:

http://urbanaffairsassociation.org/pdfs/2013_call.pdf

Deadline for submission of proposals is October 1, 2012

*Join us as we explore the challenges and **SUCCESSES** of urban populations and places!*

Conference Theme

The urban context represents a multiplicity of social, economic, and political challenges, as well as great successes. This year's conference theme focuses on highlighting urban successes facilitated by governments, individual residents, neighborhood groups, non-profits, and others across the globe. Issues raised by the conference theme are those that are relevant to the San Francisco context and other urban cities. These 21st century issues are broadly framed as:

Inclusive Cities – Successes and Challenges in Diversity and Inclusion

Who has access in richly diverse cities? How is that access gained? When faced with exclusion, how can/have marginalized groups penetrate local institutions and have a voice in larger society?

Innovative Cities – National and International Partnerships/Collaborations

In what ways have cities used the technology within their borders and across their regions to improve quality of life for their citizens? What are some successful outcomes of innovative strategies that have been transferred from one context (i.e., local, regional, or national) to another?

Global Cities

How have cities taken advantage of their role in the international economy to improve quality of life in the future? How have the successes and failures of nations shaped policy practices in other nations – socially, economically, politically, and environmentally?

New Urban Challenges

What are some 21st century challenges, at the local, regional, national, and/or the global level, that have arisen as policymakers, practitioners, and individuals work to improve the lives of urban populations?

Special Conference Tracks

Urban Issues in Asia and the Pacific Rim

This track covers a variety of urban issues affecting urban populations and places in Asia and/or the Pacific Rim such as governance, poverty, sustainable development, environmental degradation, and technological innovations, to name a few. See Track Call at: http://urbanaffairsassociation.org/pdfs/2013_AsiaPacificRimTrack.pdf

Media and Urban Life

This track captures the diverse perspectives of scholars and practitioners from a variety of fields (e.g., communication, journalism, urban affairs, public policy, law, political science, sociology, criminal justice, architecture, and city/regional planning) as they explore the intersection between media and urban life – i.e., physically, political, and socially. See Track Call at: http://urbanaffairsassociation.org/pdfs/2013_BurdTrack.pdf

Visit the UAA website (<http://urbanaffairsassociation.org/>) for general conference information.

In addition to exploring the topics that frame the conference theme and special tracks, we encourage proposals that focus on the broad array of research topics typically found at UAA conferences:

- Arts, Culture, Media
- Disaster Planning for Urban Areas, Disaster Management, Emergency Preparedness, Cities and Security
- Economic Development, Redevelopment, Tourism, Urban Economics, Urban Finance
- Education, Schools, Universities
- Environmental Issues, Sustainability, Urban Health, Technology and Society
- Globalization, International Urban Issues
- Governance, Intergovernmental Relations, Regionalism, Urban Management
- Historic Preservation, Space and Place
- Housing, Neighborhoods, Community Development
- Human/Social Services, Nonprofit Sector
- Immigration, Population and Demographic Trends
- Infrastructure, Capital Projects, Networks, Transport, Urban Services
- Labor, Employment, Wages, Training
- Land Use, Growth Management, Urban Development, Urban Planning
- Poverty, Welfare, Income Inequality
- Professional Development, The Field of Urban Affairs
- Public Safety in Urban Areas, Criminal Justice, Household Violence
- Race, Ethnicity, Gender, Diversity
- Social Capital, Democracy and Civil Society, Social Theory, Religion and the City
- Urban Design, Urban Architecture
- Urban Indicators, Data/Methods, Satisfaction/Quality of Life Surveys
- Urban Politics, Elections, Citizen Participation
- Urban Theory, Theoretical and Conceptual Issues in Urban Affairs

Important Dates:

Proposal Deadline: October 1, 2012

Proposal Decision Date: Acceptance or rejection notices will be sent by November 19, 2012

To submit an abstract or session proposal, log onto:

<http://urbanaffairsassociation.org/conference/conference2013/submit-proposal/>