

Urban Affairs Association Annual Meeting

March 20-23, 2002 Boston Park Plaza Hotel

CALL FOR PAPERS

“WHAT'S RIGHT ABOUT CITIES AND AN URBAN WAY OF LIFE”

You are invited to submit proposals for the Annual Meeting of the Urban Affairs Association to be held in Boston March 20-23, 2002. Our theme is “What’s Right About Cities and an Urban Way of Life.” Many of us are drawn to this field because of our concern for and commitment to urban places in our culture and economy. Yet we all know that cities aren't perfect and that not everyone is well served by the current structure of urban life. Nevertheless, city structures have and will continue to shape our lives politically, socially and economically. We look forward to a conference program that excites our imagination and reminds all of us about “what is right about cities.”

The program in Boston is going to pay attention to all the ways in which cities and an urban way of life serve the interests of diverse peoples and promote a pluralist and democratic society. We want to explore the lessons we have learned and highlight the work of private as well as public and nonprofit organizations in addressing urban needs. Specifically, what positive lessons can be learned from decades of urban policy and renewal? What positive contributions have individuals and private and nonprofit organizations made? What promising new approaches are being undertaken to address the problems confronting cities and urban life?

In this dialogue, we want to insure the inclusion of perspectives outside North America and therefore, encourage the participation of our colleagues outside the U.S. and Canada.

We welcome proposals for papers, panels, colloquies and breakfast roundtables sessions. We anticipate a higher than usual response to this Call for Papers and preference will be given to those proposals that (1) address the conference theme, (2) incorporate a comparative perspective and/or (3) provide a historical context to current urban issues. Possible session topics or tracks (in no particular order) include:

- Urban Policy
- Social Policy/Welfare Reform
- Immigration
- Ethnicity
- Regionalism
- Governance
- Sustainability
- Economic Development
- Community Development
- Globalization
- Comparative
- Housing
- Transportation
- Education
- Children and Families
- Community
- Leisure and Tourism
- Technology
- Urban Theory
- Arts and Culture

Proposals for Papers, Panels, Colloquies and Roundtables will be accepted until September 4, 2001.

All proposals should be submitted to the Urban Affairs Association, Graham Hall, University of Delaware, Newark, DE 19716. Proposals may be submitted via mail or email (as Word attachments). Our email address is uaa@udel.edu

Check out the UAA web site for further information and guidelines: www.udel.edu/uaa