

URBAN AFFAIRS ASSOCIATION

34TH Annual Meeting - March 31-April 3, 2004

Washington Marriott Hotel Washington, DC

“Context Matters: Shaping Urban Policy Locally, Nationally and Internationally”

CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

*****DEADLINE---OCTOBER 1, 2003*****

You are invited to submit proposals for papers, panels, colloquies and roundtables to the 34th Annual Meeting of the Urban Affairs Association. This year's theme, “Context Matters: Shaping Urban Policy Locally, Nationally and Internationally,” provides a somewhat different focus given both the setting of our conference in the U.S. capital, and the new fiscal and global pressures that are making cities more challenging and complex environments in which to live and work. One important contributing factor to this increased complexity is the construction of multiple social, economic and political “realities.” Each city, (state, region and nation) provides a context that is interpreted and experienced in a variety of ways by different constituencies. As the “official” city, the “residential” city, and the “tourist” city, Washington, D.C. exemplifies the multi-dimensional character of urban centers and the policy challenges embedded within different “visions” of a city.

Given the importance of cross-national policy learning, we strongly encourage proposal submissions from our international colleagues. A special welcome is extended to members of the European Urban Research Association (EURA). The Program Committee will produce a “proceedings” on a compact disk. Authors will be expected to submit their papers via e-mail by March 1, 2004. Detailed instructions for submissions will be available at the UAA website listed below.

Information on the 2004 Conference

The UAA Annual Meeting attracts over 400 urban scholars from a wide range of social science disciplines, and from institutions across the globe. This year plenaries are planned to engage major policy research organizations such as Brookings, and the Urban Institute, as well as policy advocacy groups such as the National League of Cities and the International Union of Local Authorities.

Proposal Deadline: October 1, 2003

We anticipate a large demand for participation. Proposals received after the deadline will be considered on a “space-available” basis. Due to space constraints, participants are limited to involvement in a maximum of two sessions.

Proposal Submission

We invite proposals that address the conference theme and any of the broad array of urban affairs subjects found at past UAA conferences. Detailed instructions on proposal submission can be found at: www.udel.edu/uaa under Annual Meetings. All proposals should be submitted to Margaret Wilder, Program Co-Chair, via e-mail (as Word attachments) at mwilder@udel.edu. Proposals will be reviewed by the conference program committee, and potential participants will be notified of its decision no later than December 1, 2003.

Registration and Hotel Information

It is UAA policy that all participants must register for the conference. The UAA Governing Board will establish registration rates before October 1, 2003. Last year’s rates ranged from \$150 (for students) to \$350 for non-members.

Participants are responsible for their own hotel accommodations. Negotiated room rates are \$179 (single/double) plus tax (about 14.5%). Suites are available for \$350 plus tax. Room reservations can be made by calling 1-800-228-9290 or at www.marriott.com. Be sure to indicate that you are with the Urban Affairs Association! Reservations received after March 10, 2004 are subject to space and rate availability.

Questions about conference registration should be directed to Tanya Tilghman at tilghman@udel.edu

The *Journal of Urban Affairs* invites submissions of all manuscripts from the conference. Selected papers from the conference will appear in the Spring 2005 issue of the journal and additional papers will be considered for future issues of *JUA*. Inquiries about journal submissions should be directed to Scott Cummings (Editor) at jua@slu.edu.

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