

Conference Schedule

Friday March 9, 2007

Joukowsky Forum

Watson Institute for International Studies, 111 Thayer Street

10:00- 11:30 am: Health Panel

- Panelists: Karen Eggleston, Yanzhong Huang, Salmaan Keshavjee
- Moderated by Patricia Symonds

Short Coffee Break

11:45 am-12:45 pm: Crime Panel

- Panelists: Kecia Johnson and Arturo Alvarado Mendoza
- Moderated by Paul Gilbert

12:45-1:30 pm: Lunch (provided on site)

1:30-2:30 pm: Keynote Speech by Setha Low

- Introduction by Amy Barad

2:30-4:00 pm: Housing Panel

- Panelists: John Logan, Weiping Wu, Marianne Fay
- Moderated by Patrick Heller

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Description of speakers

Keynote

Setha Low is a professor of environmental psychology, anthropology and women's studies and director of the Public Space Research Group at the Graduate Center of the City University of New York. Her most recent books are *The Politics of Public Space* (edited with Neil Smith, 2006), *Rethinking Urban Parks: Public Space and Cultural Diversity* (with D. Taplin and S. Scheld, 2005) and *Behind the Gates: Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness in Fortress America* (2003). She is currently studying private governance in coops and gated communities in New York City and writing a book titled *Toward an Anthropological Theory of Space and Place*. The title of her keynote lecture is "Fear, Privatization and the State: Gated Communities in the United States, Latin America, and China."

Health

Karen Eggleston, an assistant professor of economics at Tufts University, has focused her research on health economics in China, particularly health sector reform in Chinese urban areas. Eggleston has examined different aspects of health care delivery as well as interactions between health care institutions, such as hospitals, in developing cities. In addition to her position at Tufts, Eggleston is a research associate at the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, where she earned her Ph.D. in public policy in 1999. Eggleston will address the role of government and market in health care service delivery in developing and transitional economies. She will draw upon her recent empirical research on public and private hospitals in China, as well as previous collaborative research on other parts of East Asia and Central and Eastern Europe.

Yanzhong Huang is assistant professor and director of the Center for Global Health Studies at the John Whitehead School of Diplomacy and International Relations, Seton Hall University. He has written extensively on global health governance, health security and health politics in China. He is a term member of the Council on Foreign Relations, a member of the National Committee on US-China Relations and a member of the Security Experts Council of the Gerson Lehrman Group. His talk will evaluate the potential impact of the next flu pandemic on social, political and economic stability in urban areas. The assessment is based on the analyses of the historical impact of the flu pandemics, the evolving nature of the avian flu virus, the social context in which the pandemic unfolds and the existing level of preparation for the next flu pandemic.

Description of speakers

Health (Continued)

Salmaan Keshavjee is a physician and anthropologist who holds positions in the Division of Social Medicine and Health Inequalities at Brigham and Women's Hospital and at Harvard Medical School. Working with Partners In Health, a nonprofit organization that seeks to bring health care resources to developing and impoverished areas around the world, Keshavjee has been involved in the implementation of drug-resistant tuberculosis treatment programs in Peru, Russia and Lesotho. He will speak about the delivery of care for TB in urban Peru and Russia. He will focus on how models built in one context can be culturally and geographically adapted to other contexts in which these diseases are prevalent.

Crime

Kecia Johnson studies crime and deviance in the United States. Also focusing on social inequality, Johnson looks at the socioeconomic roots of crime as well as the collateral consequences of mass incarceration. She is currently an assistant professor in the University at Albany's sociology department and is an affiliate professor in women's studies. The title of her talk is "No Harm, No Foul? Wage Penalties to Incarceration and Racial Disadvantage among African American, Latino and White Men."

Arturo Alvarado Mendoza is currently a Cogut visiting professor at the Watson Institute at Brown University. He comes to Brown as a distinguished research professor and sociologist based at the Centro de Estudios Sociológicos at El Colegio de México. His areas of interest are human rights, judicial reform and public security in Mexico and, more broadly, across Latin America. He will present a study of crime in the metropolitan area of Mexico City.

Housing

Marianne Fay is a lead economist in the Office of the Chief Economist for Eastern Europe and Central Asia at the World Bank. Prior to that, she was the lead economist for the Finance, Infrastructure, and Private Sector Development Department of the Latin America and the Caribbean Region. She has studied the role of infrastructure and urbanization in development and, more recently, on urban poverty issues. Her interest in the topic of housing centers on its role as an asset for the urban poor. The focus of her presentation will be the urban poor in Latin America and the issue of poverty as it relates to housing.

John Logan is professor of sociology and director of the Spatial Structures in the Social Sciences (S4) initiative at Brown University. He came to Brown in the fall of 2004, after 24 years at the University at Albany, where he served as chair of the department of sociology, director of the Lewis Mumford Center and director of the Center for Social and Demographic Analysis. The focus of his talk will be housing segregation and the position of immigrants in the housing market in Los Angeles and Amsterdam.

Weiping Wu is an associate professor of urban studies, geography and planning at Virginia Commonwealth University and has been a consultant to the World Bank. Wu conducts research and publishes widely in the areas of urban economic geography; local innovation and university-industry linkage; migrant housing and settlement; and China's urban development. The title of her talk is "Finding a Home in Urban China: Migrant Housing and Residential Mobility." She will talk about patterns of settlement and residential mobility for migrants in China's largest cities and their sources of information and assistance in residential moves.