Our world is changing, and urban planning can lead the way. In an increasingly diverse and globalized world, urban planners work to create communities that are economically thriving, socially just, and environmentally sustainable. A doctoral degree in planning can prepare you to link new knowledge to issues that affect communities and policy-making worldwide.

To introduce planning doctoral study to selected outstanding students, the USC Sol Price School of Public Policy, in partnership with the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning, will host a four-day workshop to prepare students to apply to and succeed in doctoral programs. Students from groups that are under-represented on planning faculties are particularly encouraged to apply.*

The workshop will be on the USC campus, in the heart of Los Angeles, July 21-24, 2013. Registration and instructional materials will be provided at no cost, lodging and meals will also be provided at no cost, and travel stipends are available for students coming from outside of California. For more information, and to apply, visit http://priceschool.usc.edu/programs/phd/upd/predoctoralworkshop

APPLICATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, APRIL 26
NOTIFICATION OF APPLICATION STATUS: WEEK OF MAY 6
PROGRAM DATES: JULY 21 – 24, 2013

*Groups that are under-represented on planning faculties include: African-Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, and Native Hawaiian and other Pacific Islanders.

THIS WORKSHOP WILL INCLUDE:
- Networking with planning scholars from USC and other top national and international programs.
- Information sessions on:
  • Applying for Ph.D. study
  • Linking research and the community
  • Preparing yourself for doctoral study
  • and much more
- Mentoring sessions with senior scholars and graduate students in planning
- Chances to meet students from across the country

WORKSHOP FACULTY MEMBERS INCLUDE:
- **Ed Blakely**, Professor of Urban Policy at the United States Studies Centre, the University of Sydney; Former Executive Director, recovery management for City of New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina; Former Dean and Emeritus Professor, USC School of Urban and Regional Planning
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