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

To introduce Ph.D. 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 three-day workshop to prepare students to apply to and succeed in doctoral programs. Students from traditionally under-represented groups are encouraged to apply.*

Workshop events will be held on the USC campus, in the heart of Los Angeles, July 17-20, 2016. 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 https://priceschool.usc.edu/predoctoralworkshop/

APPLICATION DEADLINE: APRIL 29
NOTIFICATION OF APPLICATION STATUS: WEEK OF MAY 9
PROGRAM DATES: JULY 17 – 20, 2016

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

THIS WORKSHOP WILL INCLUDE:
- Networking with public policy and planning scholars
- 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
- Chances to meet students from across the country

INVITED WORKSHOP FACULTY MEMBERS INCLUDE:
- Emma Aguila, Assistant Professor, USC Sol Price School of Public Policy
- Raphael Bostic, Professor and Chair, Department of Governance, Management and the Policy Process, USC Sol Price School of Public Policy; Former Assistant Secretary, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
- Robynn Cox, Assistant Professor, USC School of Social Work
- Annette Kim, Associate Professor, USC Sol Price School of Public Policy; Director, Spatial Analysis Lab
- Manuel Pastor, Professor, Sociology and American Studies & Ethnicity, USC Dornsife College of Letters, Arts & Sciences; Director, USC Program for Environmental and Regional Equity (PERE); Co-director, USC Center for Study of Immigrant Integration (CSII)

“What this workshop has really given me the tools to fight the battles I need to fight to become an academic.”

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