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**KEYNOTE**

4:30 - 5:30 P.M. - FIRESIDE LOUNGE

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**Dr. Stefanie A. DeLuca**  
Associate Professor  
Department of Sociology  
Johns Hopkins University

Dr. Stefanie DeLuca holds a Ph.D. in Human Development and Social Policy from Northwestern University and a B.A. in Sociology and Psychology from the University of Chicago. Her research focuses on such areas as urban poverty, educational inequality, racial segregation, housing, neighborhoods, and social policy. She is co-author of the book, *Coming of Age in the Other America* (Russell Sage Foundation, 2016).
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**Awards**

4:15 - 4:30 P.M. - Fireside Lounge

Urban Studies Awards will be given out for Best Poster (two will go to undergraduate students and one to a graduate Student). The award for Best Paper is given to a graduate student for their research paper. All award winners receive a small monetary prize and free registration from the Urban Affairs Association (UAA) for next year’s 48th UAA Conference, April 4th - 7th, 2018 in Toronto, Canada.

The Award winning Best Paper will be published in e.polis, the online student journal of Urban Studies Programs. For information about previous winners please see the e.polis website: [https://uwm.edu/urban-studies/research/e-polis/](https://uwm.edu/urban-studies/research/e-polis/)
**GRADUATE STUDENT PRESENTERS**

**Deborah Blanks**, PhD Student, Urban Studies Programs  

**Gonçalo Borges**, MS Student, Sociology  
*The NGO Effect: Isomorphism and Global Scripts for the Local Poor.*

**Mahshid Jalalianhosseini**, PhD Student, Architecture  
*Revitalizing a Plaza: A Study on a Historically Significant Public space In Tehran.*

**Minji Kim**, PhD Student, Geography  
*Culture-led Urban Regeneration and Urban Tourism, and its Link to the Challenge of Gentrification: the Case of Seoul.*

**Milika Miller**, PhD Student, Urban Studies Programs  
*Evaluating the Impact of Performance Improvement Strategies.*

**Caitlin Taylor**, MS Student, Urban Studies Programs  
*Who Cares?: Lived Experiences of Home Care Aides in Milwaukee.*

**POSTER SESSION**

12:00 - 1:45 P.M. - FIRESIDE LOUNGE

**PANEL DISCUSSION**

3:00 - 4:00 P.M. FIRESIDE LOUNGE

**Danell Cross** is the interim executive director of Metcalfe Park Community Bridges Neighborhood Association and a founding member of the Metcalfe Park Community Action Team, a resident group that works on community engagement and connects community members to resources. She served as the coordinator of the Building Neighborhood Capacity Program in Metcalfe Park. Her mission is to support resident leaders and build partnerships where residents and partners work together to promote a safe, healthy, and vibrant community. She studied business management at Milwaukee Area Technical College and also graduated from the Neighborhood Leadership Institute, a community leadership and skills-building initiative.

**Nick DeMarsh** is co-founder of the Young Farmers Program and is also a master’s student in the UWM Urban Studies Program, where he is a MIED Fellow in the Center for Economic Development. He has been involved with environmental justice work in Milwaukee since 2007 and has worked at Sixteenth Street Community Health Center, Growing Power, Hunger Task Force, and Groundwork Milwaukee.

**Kelly A. Birren**, BA Student, Urban Studies Programs  
*From Riots to Renovation: A Policy Process of Sherman Park’s MERI Project.*

**Melissa Brown**, BA Student, Urban Studies Programs  
*A Comparison Between Executive Orders 9066, 13769, and 13780: the Socio-Political Factors That Led to Japanese Internment and Trump’s Travel Bans.*

**John Flaig** is a senior in the UWM Peck School of the Arts, Department of Film, Video, Animation, & New Genres. He also holds a degree in International Relations from Webster University in St. Louis.

**Deneine Powell** is the executive director of Groundwork Milwaukee and under her leadership Groundwork Milwaukee has launched several successful initiatives to promote green infrastructure and workforce development programming, and to expand the base of volunteers actively engaged in the stewardship of local green spaces. She has a bachelor’s degree in cultural studies and comparative literature from the University of Minnesota, and a master’s in organizational leadership from Marian University.
In 2016, UWM Film Student John Flaig made a documentary short about Groundwork Milwaukee’s Young Farmers Program. The film ‘Planting Seeds’ has been nominated to the 2017 Wisconsin Film Festival. The documentary tells the story about the young farmers' involvement in the broader effort to cultivate hope and unity in the Metcalfe Park Neighborhood. The documentary demonstrates that entrepreneurial urban agriculture provides youth with a platform to assume an important role in community transformation.

**Moderator**

Renee Scampini, PhD Student, Urban Studies Programs

**Panelists**

Danell Cross  
*Interim Executive Director, Metcalfe Community Bridges Neighborhood*

Nick DeMarsh  
*Co-founder of Young Farmers, Groundwork Milwaukee*

John Flaig  
*UWM Senior Student, Filmmaker*

Deneine Powell  
*Executive Director, Groundwork Milwaukee*
**POLITICAL REALM & GOVERNMENT**

**Moderator:** Peter Burress, PhD Student Urban Studies Programs

**Discussant:** Thomas Gentine, PhD Student, UWM History

**Peter Burress**, MS Student, Urban Studies Programs  
*The Common Identity of Civic Applications.*

**Thomas Gentine**, PhD Student, UWM History  
*Vel Phillips: Redefining Gender Roles, While Fighting to Breakdown Racial Barriers in the City of Milwaukee.*

**NEIGHBORHOOD & COMMUNITY**

**Moderator:** Tathagato Chakraborty, PhD Student Urban Studies Programs

**Discussant:** Isabella Rieke, MS Student, Urban Studies Programs

**Isabella Rieke**, MS Student, Urban Studies Programs  
*... but I’m afraid*: Muslim International Students and the US Presidential Election 2016.

**Toni Johns**, MS Student, Urban Studies Programs  
*The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Black Studies Movement: Funding, Philosophy and Student Activism, 1968-1971.*

**Moderator:** Shuayee Ly, PhD Student Urban Studies Programs

**Discussant:** Arijit Sen, Associate Professor Architecture & Urban Studies Programs

**Tathagato Chakraborty**, PhD Student, Urban Studies Programs  
*“We All Gotta Drink the Water”: Discordant Discourses in the Remediation of Milwaukee’s Lead Service Lines.*

**Jamison Ellis**, MS Student, Urban Studies Programs  
*Measured Expectations: An Examination of Organizational and Community Perspectives of Urban Agriculture in Milwaukee’s Harambee Neighborhood.*

**Katherine Kocisky**, PhD Student, Urban Studies Programs  
*Cultivating Sense of Place & Efforts at Social Justice Through Environmental Volunteer Work in Milwaukee.*