New Orleans Political Economy Workshop  
September 10, 2010  
Stibbs Room, LBC 203

9:00-9:15 – Welcome

9:15-11:00 – Policy and Political Economy
  • Kevin Fox Gotham - Disaster is in the Response: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Political Economy of the Post-Katrina Public Assistance
  • Aaron Schneider – New Orleans: Political Economy of Public Money
  • Vern Baxter - Rent, Real Estate, and Flood Mitigation in New Orleans East
Discussants: Tom Langston and James Alm

11:00-11:15 – Coffee

11:15-1:00 – People and Political Economy
  • Beth Fussell and Abel Valenzuela – Getting a Construction Job in Post-Katrina New Orleans: Race, Nativity, and Luck
  • Marla Nelson and Renia Ehrenfeucht - Opportunities and Tensions of a Post-Katrina “Brain Gain”
  • Stefano Barbieri and John Edwards - Post-Katrina New Orleans: Inequality and Schooling
  • Hesham M Abdel-Rahman - Infrastructure Investment and Skill Distribution in a System of Cities
Discussants: Nora Lustig and Melissa Harris-Lacewell

1:00-2:30 – Lunch

2:30-4:15 – Past and Present and Political Economy
  • Christian Roselund and Brian Marks – Longite Petro-Populism and the New Orleans Public Services Regime
  • Brian Greening - The Plan and the Product: Re-envisioning New Orleans through the Lens of the Superdome in the 1960’s
  • Thomas Adams - “Coonasses,” Roughnecks, and Capitalisms: The Interdependent and “Amoral” Economies of Petroleum and Fishing in 20th Century Coastal Louisiana
Discussants: Mark Vail and Steve Striffler

4:15-4:30 - Coffee

4:30-5:00 – Wrap-up and Future Plans