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中國城市研究網絡



## **The Next Generation of Urban China Research**

Brown University, Providence RI  
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Additional details and copies of the papers will be available on the UCRN webpage:  
<http://mumford.albany.edu/chinanet/ucrn2015>

**Thursday, May 7.** Arrival in Providence, lodging for invited participants is arranged at the Biltmore Hotel, 11 Dorrance Street (Phone: 401-421-0700, Toll Free: 800-294-7709, Fax: 401-455-3050, Email: [info@providencebiltmore.com](mailto:info@providencebiltmore.com)).

### **Friday, May 8**

**8:00-10:00 Registration:** Joukowsky Forum, Watson Institute for International Affairs, 111 Thayer Street.

Presenters may send their powerpoint file in advance ([chinanet2015@brown.edu](mailto:chinanet2015@brown.edu)) or bring the file on a thumb drive to the registration desk. This is a good time for one-on-one meetings between presenters and the senior scholars who have provided them with advice about their papers – either at the Biltmore over breakfast or at the Watson Institute. There is a lounge on the second floor just above the Joukowsky Forum.

**10:00 Welcome:** John R. Logan and Zai Liang, Directors of UCRN

### **10:30 Gender, education, and class relations**

**President: Yanjie Bian, University of Minnesota and Xi'an Jiaotong University**

The Influence of Hukou and College Education in China's Labor Market. **Yang Xiao**, Institute for Empirical Social Science Research, Xi'an Jiaotong University, China. Adviser: Yanjie Bian

- Discussant: Zai Liang, University at Albany, SUNY

Making the Danwei a Big Socialist Family: Transforming Urban Gender Relations in Mao-Era China (1949-76). **Yige Dong**, Department of Sociology, Johns Hopkins University. Adviser: Joel Andreas

- Discussant: Kristin Stapleton, University at Buffalo, SUNY



**12:00-1:00 Lunch break and meetings with mentors**

**1:00 Perceptions of inequality**

**Presider: Michael White, Brown University**

Objective and Subjective Status Inconsistency in Urban China. **Yu Han**, School of Sociology and Political Science, Shanghai University, China. Adviser: Wenhong Zhang

- Discussant: Yanjie Bian, University of Minnesota and Xi'an Jiaotong University

Residential Segregation and Psychological Integration in Shanghai. **Lin Liu**, School of Sociology and Political Science, Shanghai University, China. Adviser: Wenhong Zhang

- Discussant: Youqin Huang, University at Albany, SUNY

**2:30 Housing as a resource**

**Presider: Si-ming Li, Hong Kong Baptist University**

The Changing Meaning of Homeownership and the Persistence of Power: Temporal Patterns of Housing Tenure during China's Urban Transformation, 1989-2011. **Qiang Fu**, Department of Sociology, Duke University. Adviser: Nan Lin

- Discussant: Wenhong Zhang, Shanghai University

"Rigid Demand" Divested: Towards an Anthropological Reading of Housing Affordability. **Mengqi Wang**, Department of Anthropology, Brandeis University. Adviser: Elizabeth Ferry

- Discussant: Deborah Davis, Yale University

**4:00-4:15 Tea break**

**4:15 Planning the urban future**

**Presider: Deborah Davis, Yale University**

An Emerging Selective Regime in Fragmented Authoritarianism: Urban Redevelopment under the 'Three Old' Policy in Guangzhou, China from 2008. **Bin Li**, School of Geography, Earth and Environmental Sciences, University of Birmingham. Adviser: Lauren Andres

- Discussant: Weiping Wu, Tufts University

Negotiating the Power to Plan: Spatial Planning and Property Rights in Peri-Urban China. **Nick Smith**, Department of Urban Planning and Design, Harvard University. Adviser: Eve Blau

- Discussant: Eric Fong, The Chinese University of Hong Kong and University of Toronto

**5:45-6:30 Break**

**6:30 Dinner for invited participants (The Dorrance Restaurant, 60 Dorrance Street)**



**Saturday, May 9**

**9:00 Contesting place**

**Presider: Youqin Huang, University at Albany, SUNY**

Gentrification from Within: Globalization, Heritage Industry, and the Political Economy of Urban Space in Shanghai. **Non Arkaraprasertkul**, Department of Anthropology, New York University Shanghai & Harvard University. Adviser: Michael Herzfeld

- Discussant: Jianfa Shen, The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Land-use Contestations on a Chinese University Campus. **Chun-Yi Sum**, Department of Anthropology, Boston University. Adviser: Robert Weller

- Discussant: Daming Zhou, Sun-Yat Sen University

**10:30 Tea break**

**10:45 Linking rural and urban China**

**Presider: Matt Gutmann, Brown University**

The Emergence of a New Mode of Rural Governance Driven by Rural Programs: A Case Study from Nanjing, China. **Mingrui Shen**, Department of Geography and Resource Management, The Chinese University of Hong Kong. Adviser: Jianfa Shen

- Discussant: Yuan Ren, Fudan University

Economic Coexistence and Cultural Separation: A Case Study of Changdu's Urbanization in Tibet, China. **Xin Wang**, School of Sociology and Anthropology, Sun Yat-sen University, China. Adviser: Daming Zhou

- Discussant: Steven F. Messner, University at Albany, SUNY

Urbanization of Rural Migrants and the Making of Urban Villages in Beijing. **Yang Zhan**, Anthropology Department, Binghamton University. Adviser: Carmen A. Ferradás

- Discussant: John R. Logan, Brown University

**12:45 Closing comments**

**1:00-2:30 Lunch meeting of UCRN advisory board and steering committee**