# University of Illinois at Chicago College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs

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"without excluding other scientific and classical studies and including military tactic, to teach such branches of learning as are related to agriculture and the mechanic arts<u>, and to urban design and innovation</u>, in such manner as the legislatures of the States may respectively prescribe, in order to promote the liberal and practical education of the industrial classes in all people seeking access to the several pursuits and professions in life."





In 1995, UIC created the College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs "... to improve the quality of life in metropolitan Chicago and other urban areas...."









Like no other university college in the country, CUPPA is organized not only to <u>understand</u> intractable urban problems but also to propose options and <u>experiments</u> for advancing growth and equality and enhancing the human condition in metropolitan regions of the world.



# **Nine Interdisciplinary Research Centers:**

- Center for Urban Economic Development (CUED)
- Great Cities Institute (GCI)
- Institute for Policy and Civic Engagement (IPCE)
- Institute for Research on Race and Public Policy (IRRPP)
- Nathalie P. Voorhees Center for Neighborhood and Community Improvement
- Science, Technology and Environment Policy Laboratory (STE)
- Survey Research Laboratory (SRL)
- Urban Data Visualization Lab (UDVL)
- Urban Transportation Center (UTC)



### **Enrollment:**

Bachelor of Urban Affairs (n=63) Master of Public Administration (n=169) Master of Urban Planning and Policy (n=208) PhD in Public Administration (n=27) PhD in Urban Planning and Policy (n=31)

> **Diversity of Student Body:** Underrepresented Minorities ~ 40% Undergraduates from IL 95% International Students 7.5% Total Out of State 23%



"I chose the **UPA major** because I want to understand urban poverty and get a holistic view of how cities work. ...After I complete my UPA degree, **I will begin dental school at UIC.** I am pursuing a career that will allow me to confront health disparities in Chicago and our nation."



Yale Cho, Palatine, IL



## **Faculty Reach**

Faculty research productivity in top 7-16% nationally.

Departmental reputations, according to US News and World Report and Planetizen, place both departments in top 15% nationally.



## **Partnerships:**

Latino Policy Forum, WBEZ, Chicago Wilderness, Zurwa Community Center Opportunities Committee, Mercy Housing Lakefront, Chicago Legal Aid for Incarcerated Mothers, Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning, Metropolitan Planning Council, Urban Serving Universities, LIFT Fund, Environment and Natural Resources Committee, China Ministry of Housing & Urban Development, Mayors Zoning Reform Task Force, Mayors TIF Task Force, Center for Neighborhood Technology, American Planning Association, The Resurrection Project, Civic Federation, IL Department of Transportation – METSI, Lawndale Christian Development Corporation, A Long Walk Home, Ravenswood Community Development Council, Growing Home, IL Housing Council, Community Development Trust, LISC, Metro Strategies, Civic Consulting Alliance, IL Housing Development Authority, Federal Home Loan Bank of Chicago, Council of Great Lakes Governors, US Equities Realty, Resolute Consulting, IFF, Thompson Reuters, Transportation Security Administration...



### Economic Development: \$2.7M

Funding Provided by

- Ford Foundation
- Rockefeller Foundation
- Brookings Institution
- Polk Bros Foundation
- Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity



Howard Wial



Sharon Mastracci



Nik Theodore



Joshua Drucker





## BIG DATA: \$2.5M

### Funding Provided by

- National Science Foundation
- National Institutes of Health





Nebiyou Tilahun

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## Transportation and Environment: \$7.6M

Funding Provided by

- US Department of Transportation
- Illinois Department of Transportation
- Chicago Transit Authority
- National Science Foundation
- Indiana Illinois Sea Grant
- *CN*



Kazuya Kawamura

Steve Schlickman



Paul Metaxatos



Moira Zellner



Martin Jaffe





Urban Social Policy: \$2.7M

Funding Provided by

- JP Morgan Chase,
- Office of Economic Assistance, Department of Defense
- Department of Housing and Urban Development
- Chicago Housing Authority



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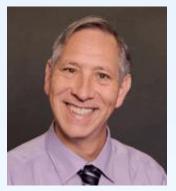




#### Government Finance: \$1.1M

#### Funding Provided by

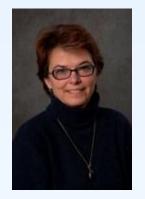
- John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation
- Chicago Community Trust
- Lincoln Institute of Land Policy
- National League of Cities



David Merriman



#### Rachel Weber



#### Rebecca Hendrick



#### Phil Ashton



#### Michael Pagano









# EDUCATING FUTURE THOUGHT LEADERS, IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN URBAN AREAS

- 1. Recruit active, engaged, innovative students, faculty, and staff because the urban problems of today will become magnified tomorrow as the world's population becomes increasingly urban.
- 2. Broaden the resource portfolio of the college to best accomplish the mission and needs of the college.
- 3. Disseminate and broadcast the impact of the College's work so that its national and international visibility is raised.
- 4. Never lose sight of the vision: raising living standards, improving equity and inclusion, improving the quality of life, and enhancing the human condition, which is an increasingly urban condition.







