

San Francisco State University

DUSP Alumni Connection

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The Idea Edition

Special points of interest:

In Fall of 2008, the Urban Studies Program was instituted by San Francisco State University as a Department in the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences. Also as of Fall 2008, "Planning" was added to the title. The academic unit is now officially "Department of Urban Studies and Planning" or DUSP.

- We need your input for the first edition of the Newsletter.
- Send us a brief personal or professional submission to connect with fellow alumni
- Please respond by January 10, 2009 to: GWaddell@sfsu.edu

Upcoming Events:

- December 11, 2008 Alumni Brown Bag Talk featuring James Buckley, Citizen Housing Corporation. SF State downtown campus; 835 Market Street, Suite 515
- Tuesday, April 7, 2009 Annual Alumni Event 5-9pm Seven Hills Conference Center, SF State

Keep in Touch at the SFSU Alumni Website:

<http://bss.sfsu.edu/urbs/alumni.html>

Welcome to the "Idea Edition" of the SFSU Department of Urban Studies and Planning Alumni Connection

Dear Alumni,

My name is Gene Waddell and I have been asked by Dr. Ayse Pamuk, Chair of the Urban Studies and Planning Department at SFSU to initiate an alumni newsletter. I am a senior at SFSU and will graduate this Spring with a B.A. in Urban Studies and a minor in Geography. While I may look more like a senior citizen than a college senior, my experience at SFSU will allow me to start a new career in the near future.



Gene Waddell, Editor

Enough about me, let's talk about your newsletter. Our intention is to strengthen the connection between SFSU Urban Studies & Planning alumni and the Department. Please understand that the purpose of the newsletter is not focused on fundraising (although a donation is always welcome), but rather a conduit to showcase all members of the SFSU Urban Studies & Planning community. That said, we invite your comments and suggestions about the content of our newsletter. We anticipate publishing the first edition by the end of

January 2009. Our thoughts for each edition include a message from the Department Chair; and focus articles about alumni, faculty, and current students. The newsletter will also serve as bulletin board for upcoming department events, such as the Annual Alumni Event; public lectures; Department news; and opportunities for alumni, faculty, and students to connect. That said, we ask you to provide your ideas about what you would like to see in the newsletter. We also invite you to send us brief (no longer than 100 words) personal or professional submissions that you would like us to publish. Feel free to include a photo. Tell us about your career, business, interests, or any news items that you would like to share with fellow alumni. Let us know if you or your business can work with SFSU or our students for senior seminar projects, internships, or career opportunities. Please email your submissions for Volume 1 Edition 1 of our newsletter by January 10, 2009 to:

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