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**EDUCATION**

**Doctor of Philosophy, Geography: Urban and Regional Economic Development and Planning,**  
University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Greensboro, N.C. December 2007

Dissertation: *Newly Incorporated Municipalities (NIMs) in the United States, 1990 – 2010: Socio-Economic Differences Between NIMs and Cohort Cities.* Advisor: Keith G. Debbage. Committee: Ruth DeHoog, Zhi-Jun Liu, Susan Walcott.

**Master of Public Affairs,**  
University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Greensboro, N.C. May 1998

**Bachelor of Arts, Political Science and History,**  
Elon University, Elon, N.C. **Cum Laude**, Rhodes Scholar Nominee (1996), May 1996

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**RESEARCH INTERESTS**            Local Government Boundary Change, Sustainable Urban Development, and Urban Policy

**REGIONAL INTERESTS**            North America, South Asia, Sub-Saharan Africa

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**ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

**07/13 – Current**    **Associate Professor of Geography**, Department of History, Politics and Social Justice, Winston-Salem State University, Winston-Salem, N.C.

**08/08 – 06/13**    **Assistant Professor of Geography**, Department of Social Sciences, Winston-Salem State University, Winston-Salem, N.C.

**08/07 – 05/08**    **Instructor**, Department of History and Geography, Elon University, Elon, N.C.

**08/04 – 05/07**    **Graduate Teaching Assistant**, Department of Geography, University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Greensboro, N.C.

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## PUBLICATIONS

### **BOOK CHAPTERS (1)**

2014 Smith, R.M., Ge, Y., Hartmann, R., Dong, X. and Chang, Y. "Chapter 7: Megaregions of China and the U.S.". In Hartmann, R. and Xinyue Ye (Eds.) *A Comparative Geography of China and the U.S.* Springer Press.

### **REFERRED JOURNAL ARTICLES (14)**

- 2016 Smith, R.M. and Afonso, W. "Fiscal Impact of Annexation Methodology on Municipal Fiscal Health in North Carolina: 1990 – 2010". *Growth and Change*, DOI 10.1111/grow.12157.
- 2015 Smith, R.M. "'Green' Building in India: A Comparative and Spatial Analysis of the LEED-India and GRIHA Rating Systems". *Asian Geographer*, 32:2, 73-84.
- 2015 Waldner, L. and Smith, R.M. "*The Great Defection: How New City Clusters Form to Escape County Governance*". *Public Administration Quarterly*, 39:2, 171-219.
- 2015 Smith, R.M. "Examining the Geography of Newly Incorporated Municipalities (NIMs) in Micropolitan North Carolina, 1990 – 2010". *Southeastern Geographer*, 54:4, 384-405.
- 2014 Smith, R.M. "Planning for Urban Sustainability: The Geography of LEED-Neighborhood Development (LEED®-ND™) Projects in the United States". *International Journal of Urban Sustainable Development*, 7:1, 15-32.
- 2014 Rice, K., Waldner, L. and Smith, R.M. "Why New Cities Form: An Examination into Municipal Incorporation in the United States, 1950 – 2010". *Journal of Planning Literature*, 29:2, 140-154.
- 2013 Waldner, L., Rice, K. and Smith, R.M. "Temporal and Spatial Dimensions of Newly Incorporated Municipalities". *Geographical Review*, 103:1, 59-79.
- 2012 Smith, R.M. and Willse, J.T. "An Intra State Analysis of Annexation Activity in North Carolina by Method of Annexation". *State and Local Government Review*, 44:3, 185-195.
- 2012 Smith, R.M. "An Examination of Municipal Annexation Methods in North Carolina, 1990 - 2009". *Southeastern Geography*, 52:2, 164-182.
- 2012 Smith, R.M. and Fennell, A. "Local Government Boundary Change in Brunswick County, North Carolina: 1990 – 2010". *The North Carolina Geographer*, 19, 4-19.
- 2011 Smith, R.M. "City Limits?: The Impact of Annexation Activity on Municipal Incorporation in North Carolina: 1990 – 2008". *Southeastern Geography*, 51:3, 422-442.

- 2011 Smith, R.M. and Debbage, K. "Spatial Distribution of Newly Incorporated Municipalities (NIMs) and Related Socio-Economic Characteristics: A National Comparison to Cohort Cities". *Urban Geography*, 32:4, 568-588.
- 2008 Smith, R.M. "Municipal Incorporation Activity and the Clustering of New Municipalities in North Carolina: 1990 – 2008", *The North Carolina Geographer*. 16, 24-35.
- 2006 Smith, R.M. and Debbage, K. "Where are the Geographers? Newly Incorporated Municipalities (NIMs) in the South". *The Geographical Bulletin*, 48:2, 109-121.

#### **SCHOLARLY REVIEWS AND OTHER PUBLISHED ARTICLES**

- 2015 Smith, R.M., "Lessons from South Africa: Creating a more sustainable urban future", *Winston-Salem Journal*, 9 July, 2015.
- 2015 "The Role of Green Buildings in Sustainability Production: Example of Inci Aku Industrial Battery Factory, Turkey". Review for *Asian Geographer*.
- 2015 "Who Belongs in the Neighborhood? Negotiating Social Inclusion and a Sense of Belonging in Planning for Urban Social Sustainability". Review for *Geographical Review*.
- 2015 Smith, R.M., "State legislature should help, not hinder, cities", *Winston-Salem Journal*, 6 May 2015.
- 2015 "Subprime Mortgages and Foreclosures in Northeast Florida". Review for *Southeastern Geographer*.
- 2014 "Municipal Incorporation in the United States". Review for *Urban Studies*.
- 2014 "Industrial Employment Change in the Spine of the Piedmont Megapolitan Area, 2000 – 2009". Review for *Southeastern Geographer*.
- 2013 Smith, R.M., "What the Triad can learn from urban India", *Winston-Salem Journal*, 26 August 2013, A15.
- 2013 "Social Capital and the Number of Governments within a County: A Potential Problem with Social Capital". Review for *Local Government Studies*.
- 2012 "The Geography of Nonearned Income in the Piedmont Megapolitan Region". Review for *Southeastern Geographer*.
- 2005 Debbage, K.G. and R.M. Smith, "Splitsville", *Greensboro News and Record*, 16 October 2005, H1.
- 1999 Dube M. and R. Smith, "Don't Dream It, See It", *Planning*, July 1999, 20-22.

## ARTICLES UNDER REVIEW OR IN PREPARATION

### *Under Review (2)*

Smith, R.M. and L. Walder, "Cities of Color: Municipal Incorporation of Minority Communities in the United States", article submitted to *State and Local Government Review*, under review.

Smith, R.M. and B. Bereitschaft. "Sustainable Urban Development? Exploring the Locational Attributes of LEED-ND Projects in the United States through a GIS Analysis of Light Intensity and Land Use", article submitted to *Sustainability*, under review.

### *In Preparation (3)*

Richardson, C., R.M. Smith and J. Sloop, "The Impact of Designated Highway Corridors on Residential Housing Values: The Case of the Northern Beltway in Forsyth County, North Carolina". Submission due July 2016.

Smith, R.M., P. Pathak and G. Agrawal, "India's 'Smart' Cities Mission: An Examination into India's Newest Urban Development Policy". Submission due August 2016.

Smith, R.M. Municipal Incorporation Activity in the United States: Procedures, Patterns and People. The Urban Book Series with Springer International Publishing AG, Cham. Submission due August 2017.

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## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED LECTURES

- 2016 Smith, R.M., P. Pathak and G. Agrawal, "India's 'Smart' Cities Solution: An Examination into the Spatial Dynamics of India's Newest Planned Urban Areas", 2016 Urban Affairs Association Annual Conference – San Diego, CA, March 19, 2016.#
- 2016 Smith, R.M. "Exploring Urban Development Policy in India through an Examination of 'Planned' Cities and 'Smart' Cities Programs", 2016 New Directions in Asian Studies: An Interdisciplinary Conference from the UNC System - Chapel Hill, NC, February 26, 2016.
- 2015 Smith, R.M. "Examining Race and Place Through Municipal Incorporation Activity in the United States, 1990-2010", University of Cape Town, Department of Political Studies, Cape Town, South Africa, June 8, 2015.
- 2015 Smith, R.M. "Cities of Color: The Incorporation of Majority-Minority Communities in the United States, 1990 – 2010", 2015 American Association of Geographers Annual Conference – Chicago, IL, April 22, 2015.

- 2015 Smith, R.M. "Planning for Urban Sustainability: Investigating LEED-ND", Department of Geography Colloquium, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Blacksburg, VA, March 20, 2015.
- 2014 Smith, R.M. "Instant Cities: Newly Incorporated Municipalities (NIMs) in North Carolina", 2014 North Carolina American Planning Association Conference – Durham, NC, October 3, 2014.
- 2014 Smith, R.M. and L. Waldner, "The Great Defection: How New City Clusters Form to Escape County Governance", Southeastern Conference on Public Administration (SECOPA) 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference – Atlanta, GA, September 2014. (Presentation by L. Waldner).
- 2014 Smith, R.M. "Understanding India in a Global Context: Urban Issues", Integrating India into the Liberal Arts: An Interdisciplinary Symposium – Winston-Salem, NC, September 19, 2014. #
- 2014 Smith, R.M. "Exploring the Green Rating for Integrated Habitat Assessment (GRIHA) in India: 'What gets measured, gets managed'", 2014 American Association of Geographers Annual Conference – Tampa, FL, April 10, 2014. #
- 2014 Smith, R.M. "Green Building in India: Examining LEED-India and GRIHA", 2014 Southeast Conference of the Association for Asian Studies – Duke University, Durham, NC, January 18, 2014.
- 2013 Smith, R.M. "The Fiscal Impact of Annexation Methodology on Municipal Finances in North Carolina", 2013 SEDAAG Conference – Roanoke, VA, November 25, 2013. #
- 2013 Smith, R.M. "Urban Sustainability in India: LEED and GRIHA", Fall 2013 Department of Social Sciences Colloquium: India: Learning, Teaching & Research – Winston-Salem, NC, October 22, 2013.
- 2013 Smith R.M. "Urban Sustainability Strategies in the United States: An Examination into the LEED-Neighborhood Development Program", 2013 ICRIER-HUDCO Seminar Series on Urbanization and the Competitiveness of Cities – New Delhi, India, August 2, 2013.
- 2013 Smith, R.M. "Exploring the Genesis of Newly Incorporated Municipalities (NIMs)", 2013 Urban Affairs Association Conference – San Francisco, CA, April 5, 2013.
- 2012 Smith, R.M. "An Examination of the Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant Process in the Piedmont Triad of North Carolina", 2012 Applied Geography Conference – Minneapolis, MN, October 11, 2012.
- 2012 Smith, R.M. "Sustainable Urbanism: An Investigation into Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design - Neighborhood Development (LEED-ND) Projects within the United States", 2012 American Association of Geographers Annual Conference – New York, NY, February 26, 2012.

- 2011 Smith, R.M. "Sustainable Urbanism in North Carolina: Combining Smart Growth, New Urbanism and Green Buildings", 2011 North Carolina American Planning Association Conference – Charlotte, NC, October 6, 2011.\*
- 2011 Smith, R.M. "Sustainable Urbanism: Smart Growth, New Urbanism, and Green Buildings", Fall 2011 Department of Social Sciences Colloquium - Winston-Salem, NC, October 20, 2011.
- 2011 Smith R.M. "Municipal Annexation in North Carolina: A Review of Existing Conditions and Future Considerations", 2011 Urban Affairs Association Conference - New Orleans, LA, March 18, 2011.
- 2010 Smith, R.M. "City Limits? The Impact of Annexation on the Frequency of Municipal Incorporation in North Carolina", 2010 SEDAAG Conference - Birmingham, AL, November 22, 2010.
- 2010 Smith, R.M. "Geography at HBCU's (Panel Discussion)", 2010 AAG Conference - Washington, DC, April 14, 2010.
- 2010 Smith, R.M. "City Limits: The Impact of Annexation on the Frequency of Municipal Incorporation in North Carolina", Spring 2010 Department of Social Sciences Colloquium - Winston-Salem, NC, March 25, 2010.
- 2009 Smith, R.M. "Municipal Incorporation Activity and the Clustering of New Municipalities in North Carolina: 1990 – 2008", 2009 SEDAAG Conference - Knoxville, TN, November 23, 2009.
- 2009 Smith, R.M. "Newly Incorporated Municipalities in the United States 1990-2000: Socioeconomic Differences Between NIMs and Cohort Cities", 2009 AAG Conference - Las Vegas, NV, March 22, 2009.\*
- 2008 Smith, R.M. "Local Government Boundary Change in North Carolina", 2008 SEDAAG Conference - Greensboro, NC, November 24, 2008.\*
- 2008 Smith, R.M. "Municipal Incorporation in North Carolina: Patterns and Implications". Alamance County City-County Association, August 27, 2008.
- 2008 Smith, R.M. "Toward a National NIM Typology", 2008 AAG Conference - Boston, MA, April 18, 2008.\*
- 2007 Smith, R.M. "Newly Incorporated Municipalities (NIMs) in the United States 1990-2000: Socioeconomic Differences Between NIMs and Cohort Cities", 2007 UNC-Greensboro GTU Honor Society Induction Ceremony, November 8, 2007.
- 2006 Smith, R.M. "Where are the Geographers? A Preliminary Examination of Newly Incorporated Municipalities (NIMs) and other forms of Boundary Change", 61<sup>st</sup> Joint Conference of SEDAAG and MAD - Morganton, WV, November 21, 2006.

\* indicates that session was organized and chaired by Dr. Smith.

# indicates that session was chaired by Dr. Smith.

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### CONTRACTED REPORTS AND COMMUNITY INITIATIVES

- 2015 *"Our Neighborhood Plan": The Waughtown and MLK Initiative*, S.G. Atkins Community Development Corporation, Co- Principal Investigator
- 2014 *Caswell County Comprehensive Plan*, Piedmont Triad Regional Council, Principal Investigator
- 2013 *2014-2018 Consolidated Housing and Community Development Plan for Winston-Salem/Forsyth County, North Carolina*, City of Winston-Salem, NC, Community Outreach Facilitator
- 2012 *Community Development Corporation Strategic Issues Identification*, Winston-Salem Funders Collaborative, Principal Investigator
- 2010 *MLK Jr. Dr. Corridor Overlay Study*, S.G. Atkins Community Development Corporation, Principal Investigator
- 2010 *Burlington Annexation Study*, City of Burlington, Principal Investigator
- 2008 *Davidson County Land Development Plan*, Piedmont Triad Council of Governments, Principal Investigator
- 2007 *Greensboro/Guilford County – Burlington/Alamance County: Economic Analysis and Land Use Study*, Greensboro Partnership and Alamance County Chamber of Commerce, Research Assistant
- 2007 Smith, R.M. "Preserving our Past...Promoting our Future", Graham Merchant's Association, September 10, 2007.
- 2006 *An Analysis of Urban Incentive Programs*, Downtown Greensboro Incorporated, Principal Investigator
- 2006 *Asheboro Strategic Planning Initiative*, Piedmont Triad Council of Governments, Consultant
- 2006 *Alamance County Land Development Plan*, Piedmont Triad Council of Governments, Principal Investigator
- 2005 *Piedmont Triad Regional Bike Plan*, Piedmont Triad Council of Governments, Principal Investigator

2005 *Geographic Information Systems Workshop*, North Carolina Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts, Consultant

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#### GRANTS AND AWARDS

- 2016 Research Initiation Program Grant, “Exploring Urban Extensions in the United Kingdom: Sustainable Urban Development or Sprawl?”, WSSU
- 2016 Course Development Grant, “India’s Smart Cities Mission”, Carolina Asia Center (CAC), UNC-Chapel Hill
- 2015 Travel Grant, 2016 Urban Affairs Association Conference in San Diego, CA, Carolina Asia Center, UNC-Chapel Hill
- 2015 Course Development Grant, African Studies Center, UNC – Chapel Hill
- 2015 International Faculty Development Grant for Seminar in South Africa, Office of International Programs, WSSU
- 2015 Travel Grant, 2015 AAG Annual Meeting in Chicago, IL, Professional Development Committee, WSSU
- 2014 Travel Grant, 2014 AAG Annual Meeting in Tampa, FL, Professional Development Committee, WSSU
- 2012 *Piedmont Triad Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Project (“Piedmont Together”)*, Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Community Engagement Manager
- 2011 Silver Award in Recognition of Exceptional Accomplishments in Sponsored Programs, The School of Graduate Studies and Research, WSSU
- 2011 First Time Awardee, The School of Graduate Studies and Research, WSSU
- 2010 *WSSU Geoscience Initiative*, National Science Foundation Grant, Winston-Salem State University, GEO Program Grant Manager,
- 2010 - *Online Course Development Grant (GEO 2312)*, Division of Lifelong Learning, Winston-Salem State University
- 2009 – Stand Alone Geographer (SAGE) Travel Fellowship, 2008 SEDAAG Annual Conference, Greensboro, NC



- 2009 - *Online Course Development Grant (GEO 2311)*, Division of Lifelong Learning, Winston-Salem State University
- 1998 *Graham Historic District National Register Nomination Grant*, North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources, Principal Investigator
- 1997 *Wastewater Treatment Plant Hazard Mitigation Grant*, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Principal Investigator
- 1997 *Alamance Creek Hazard Mitigation Grant*, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Principal Investigator
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### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- 2016 – *Democratic Education: 100 Years beyond Dewey*, Civic Engagement Institute, NC Campus Compact, High Point, NC, February 9, 2016.
- 2016 – *Workshop on Intercultural Skills Enhancement (WISE)*, Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, NC, February 4 – 5, 2016.
- 2015 – *Lessons from South Africa: Experiments in Urban Sustainability*, International Faculty Development Seminar, Council on International Educational Exchange (CIEE), Cape Town, South Africa, May 30 – June 10, 2015.
- 2015 – Faculty Institute on Teaching and Assessing General Education Outcomes, Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning, Winston-Salem State University, February 2015
- 2014 – *High Impact Education Practices*, Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning, Winston-Salem State University, Fall 2014.
- 2014 – *Integrating India into the Liberal Arts: An Interdisciplinary Symposium*, Winston-Salem State University
- 2013 – UNC/India Summit, UNC General Administration, Chapel Hill, NC
- 2013 – *Online Course Development (GEO 3336)*, Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning, Winston-Salem State University
- 2012 – *Integrating India into the Liberal Arts*, Office of International Program, Winston-Salem State University, NEH Humanities Initiative Grant
- 2012 - *What's New in Blackboard 9.1*, Academic Technologies, Winston-Salem State University
- 2011 - *General Education Course Development Workshop*, Office of Academic Affairs, Winston-Salem State University

2009 – *O’K Fellows Institute*, O’Kelly Library

2009 – *Course Redesign with Technology*, Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETL), Winston-Salem State University

2009 – *Web 2.0 Tools*, Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETL), Winston-Salem State University

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### COURSES TAUGHT

**GEO 2111** Introduction to Geography; **GEO 2312** Geography of North America; **GEO 2313** Environmental Geography; **GEO 2315** Introduction to Geographic Information Systems; **GEO 3311** Urban Geography; **GEO 3336** World Economic Geography; **GEO 131** The World’s Regions; **GEO 301** Urban Geography - World Patterns; **GEO 302** Urban Geography – Land Use; **GEO 320** Tourism Planning and Development; **GEO 374** Urban Geography – World Cities; **GEO 378** Political Geography of Urban America; **IDS 2301** Introduction to Urban Studies; **JUS 4342** Technical Analysis; **POL 116** Local Government Games and Simulations; **POL 385** Grantwriting Workshop; **LLS 1376** Urban Explorations

### Thesis Advising

Master’s Thesis Committee – C. Martineau, Master’s of Geography, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Blacksburg, VA.

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### URBAN GEOGRAPHY/PLANNING EXPERIENCE

- 09/01 – 08/04**      **Assistant Director of Planning Services**, Planning & Community Development Department, City of Burlington, N.C.
- Managed daily development activities within the City
  - Supervised Planning Division staff
  - Developed department budget, annexation reports, and ordinance amendments
  - Served as Chairman of Technical Review Committee
  - Managed & researched the development of new ordinances and plans including: tree preservation requirements and watershed regulations
  - Assisted Director of Planning in economic development efforts.
- 08/99 – 09/01**      **Community Development Planner**, Division of Community Assistance, State of North Carolina, Winston-Salem, N.C.

- Provided technical planning assistance to local governments within the 12 county Piedmont Triad region of North Carolina.
- Developed and managed downtown projects, long-range plans, strategic plans, capital improvement plans, zoning and subdivision regulations.
- Implemented State of North Carolina “Smart Growth” Initiative
- Facilitated workshops, retreats, seminars, and community forums.

**09/97 – 08/99**

**Planner**, Planning Department, City of Graham, N.C.

- Developed strategic and long-range plans for the City of Graham.
- Managed Graham Downtown Visions project.
- Served as technical advisor for Board of Adjustment, Historic District Commission, and Planning & Zoning Commission.

### **UNIVERSITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

- S.G. Atkins Community Development Corporation, Board Member, 2013 - Current
- Winston-Salem Sustainability Resource Center, Board Member, 2012 - 2015
- Urban Studies Coordinator, Department of Liberal Studies, 2014 - Current
- Department of History, Politics, and Social Justice Search Committee, Member, 2015 – 2016.
- Alliance for Sustainable Communities (ASC) Committee, Chair, 2015 - Current
- University Governance Committee, 2014 - Current
- Liberal Studies Faculty Search Committee, Chair, 2014 - 2015
- Community Based Participatory Research Group, CETL, 2014 – Current
- Mid-Career Faculty Group, CETL, 2014 - 2015
- Urban Studies Program Exploratory Committee, Chairman, 2011 - 2013
- New Freshmen Faculty Advisor, Department of Social Sciences, 2011 - 2014
- Department of Social Sciences Academic Standards and Curriculum Committee Member, 2010 – 2014
- Professional Development Committee (Alternate Member), Department of History, Politics and Social Justice, 2014 - Current
- Website Coordination Committee Member, Department of Social Sciences 2010 - Current
- Social Sciences Journal, Production Editor 2010 - Current
- WSSU Sustainability Committee Faculty Member 2009 - 2013
- GIS Day organizer, 2008 - Present
- Advisor to Justice Studies Majors, 2009 - 2011
- Faculty Senate (Alternate Member) 2010 – Current
- Academic Standards and Curriculum Committee (Alternate Member) 2009 - 2010

### **PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS**

American Institute of Certified Planners - # 017452 (2002 – 2007)

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS & HONORS**

American Association of Geographers  
American Geographical Society (2012 - 2013)  
Gamma Theta Upsilon, International Geographical Society (April, 2005)  
Isabella Cannon Leadership Fellows Graduate (May, 1996)  
North Carolina Geographical Society (2009 – 2013)  
Omicron Delta Kappa (February, 1996)  
Pi Gamma Mu (April, 1995)  
Pi Sigma Alpha (May, 1995)  
Political Geography Specialty Group  
Southeastern Conference of the Association of Asian Studies (2013-2015)  
Southeast Division of the American Association of Geographers  
Urban Affairs Association  
Urban Geography Specialty Group  
WSSU Faculty Research Fellows at UNC in African Studies (2015-Present)  
WSSU Faculty Research Fellows at UNC in Asian Studies (2015 – Present)

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