



Dr. Christensen Publishes Volume Addressing Northern Urbanization



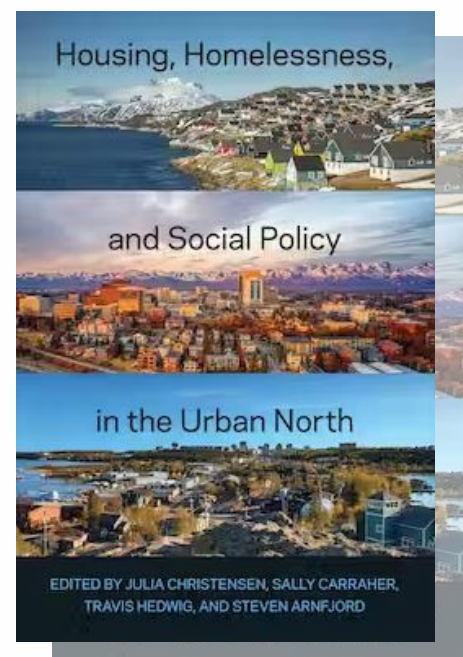
In January 2024, as author and editor, **Julia Christensen** published *Housing, Homelessness, and Social Policy in the Urban North* with colleagues Sally Carraher, Travis Hedwig, and Steven Arnfjord. The text gathers leading scholars in northern urban housing, “to examine the ways in which housing insecurity and homelessness provide a critical lens on the social dimensions of northern urbanization” (University of Toronto Press). Contributors explore how an overall understanding of urban forms and processes is informed by the experiences of northern towns and cities. Congratulations, Julia!

<https://utorontopress.com/9781487554200/housing-homelessness-and-social-policy-in-the-urban-north/>

Praise for *Housing, Homelessness, and Social Policy in the Urban North*

“ — A groundbreaking volume examining housing and homelessness across the circumpolar north, calling into question received ideas about how and why northerners experience homelessness and what to do about it. Includes both regional and thematic analyses to help readers think through connections across diverse geographies. A must-read for northern scholars and policymakers.

**Emilie Cameron, Associate Professor of Geography and
Environmental Studies, Carleton University**



SURP 827 in India

Planning students successfully accomplished an international planning project under the supervision of **Professor Ajay Agarwal** in December 2023. The students prepared planning guidelines for Auroville Access Road. The project was accomplished in collaboration with the Auroville Foundation. Auroville is a small town located at the outskirts of Pondicherry in southern India. Back on campus, the students presented their project to a full house on January 19, 2024.



A delegation from the High Commission of India (HCI) in Canada comprising the Acting High Commissioner, the Counsellor, and a Consular Officer visited Queen's campus on January 30, 2024. Professor Agarwal was instrumental in organizing this visit.



The high Commissioner reaffirmed his support for promoting academic collaboration between Indian and Canadian universities. Pictured above are the delegates with the Principal and several faculty members.

RACHEL BARBER ON AGE-FRIENDLY TRANSIT IN ELLIOT LAKE

PhD student (and former MPL student) **Rachel Barber** was in the news again for her research on Elliot Lake. ElliotLakeToday.com published a feature on February 2, 2024, discussing Rachel's research and key points from "On the Road to Healthy Aging: Takeaways from Elliot Lake's Public Transportation System," the Ontario Age-Friendly Communities Outreach Program's AFC Webinar hosted by Rachel on January 31, 2024. Read the full article here:

Elliot Lake bus service: New study finds good and not-so-good



Just Three SURPERS Doing Amazing Things in YYC

In a historic moment in Calgary AB on February 8, 2024, the Chair, Vice Chair, and Principal Planner of the **Calgary Planning Commission** were all identified as Queen's School of Urban and Regional Planning grads! (pictured from left to right: **Thom Mahler** MPL'89; **Teresa Goldstein** MPL'03; **Steve Jones** MPL'02)



Guest Speaker Event

February 12 | 10 am
Goodes Hall, Room 108

IN COLLABORATION WITH THE DEAN'S OFFICE, FEATURING:



Tsedale M. Melaku, Ph.D.

Assistant Professor of Management
Zicklin School of Business, Baruch College (CUNY)

**Author of *You Don't Look Like a Lawyer:
Black Women and Systemic Gendered Racism***

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From the Geography and Planning Equity Committee

Eos.org recently published an article by James Marshall Shepherd, Jacob Bendix, and Michael A. Urban, on the lack of diversity in physical geography. The piece outlines the importance of active engagement with prospective students, and advocates for the setting of measurable goals for improvement in recruiting and retaining students from historically marginalized groups. Please access the full article here:

[Increasing Racial and Ethnic Diversity in Physical Geography](#)

THE KINGSTON VINTAGE BALL

Put on your dancing shoes and don't wait to get your tickets for this great upcoming event, organized by Geography and Planning's own PhD candidate **Margot Smith!**

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Calendar

- **February 19:** Family Day
- **February 20 to 23 :**
Reading Week

