



**Postdoctoral Research Position in Comparative Urbanism
Job Vacancy Announcement**

Arizona State University's School of Human Evolution and Social Change (formerly the Department of Anthropology) seeks a recent Ph.D. for a postdoctoral research position to begin in early 2010. The scholar will assume a leadership role in a collaborative, transdisciplinary research project on comparative urbanism titled "Urban Organization through the Ages: Neighborhoods, Open Spaces and Urban Life." The project, which is currently in the second year of a five-year operation, seeks to explain the origins of modern urban life through a research project that is transdisciplinary, cross-cultural, global and deeply historical. The project directors, who are faculty members in the fields of archaeology, geography, political science and sociology, are using comparative research methods to analyze ancient, preindustrial and modern cities on key issues concerning neighborhoods and open spaces. The postdoctoral scholar will become a member of the research team with a major role in research design, the collection and analysis of data and write-up. We expect this person to make significant intellectual contributions to the project, to work with the project directors on integrating disciplinary perspectives and to supervise a team of student assistants and volunteers. More information about the project can be found at: <http://latelessons.asu.edu/urban>.

The ideal applicant will have a broad and creative intellectual approach to social research and a track record of publications and grants. Applicants should have research experience in urbanism and training in a relevant discipline, such as archaeology, urban history, human geography, sociology or socio-cultural anthropology. Scholars whose experience and skills combine more than one of the following will be given preference: transdisciplinary research; comparative methods; historical research; database construction and management; statistics; GIS.

This position is funded through 2012. Applications will be considered beginning immediately and continuing until the position is filled. Applicants should e-mail a cover letter explaining their qualifications and interest along with a Curriculum Vitae and names/contact information for three references to:

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Information about the school can be found at <http://shesc.asu.edu>. A background check is required for employment. Arizona State University is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer committed to excellence through diversity. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply.