

# INTERNATIONAL COURSE HIGHLIGHTS

Spring 2012

## \*\*\* PRE-REGISTRATION FOR SELECT COURSES \*\*\*

Wagner will be holding a pre-registration process for certain high-demand courses. The pre-registration process will allow you to request these courses without having to rush to place your registration request immediately after registration opens on Albert. In the pre-registration process, you will use an online request form instead of using Albert.

The pre-registration form will be available as of 9am, Monday, October 31, through 8am, Monday, November 7 at <http://wagner.nyu.edu/courses/>. It does not make any difference when during the pre-registration period you submit the form. Please read the important information and directions below.

The Spring 2012 pre-registration courses are:

1. NONCR-GP 108 Composing Your Career
2. PADM-GP 2135 Developing Human Resources
3. PADM-GP 2170 Performance Measurement
4. PADM-GP 2171 Program Analysis and Evaluation
5. PADM-GP 2201 Institutions, Governance and International Development (002 w/Natasha Iskander)
6. PADM-GP 2411 Policy Formation
7. PADM-GP 2875 Estimating Impacts in Policy Research
8. PADM-GP 4101 Conflict Management and Negotiation
9. PADM-GP 4112 Building Effective Teams
10. PADM-GP 4142 Tools for Managing Nonprofits: Compliance, Internal Controls and Ethics
11. URPL-GP 1603 Urban Planning Methods and Practice
12. URPL-GP 1605 Land Use Law
13. URPL-GP 2616 Colloquium on the Law, Politics, and Economics of Urban Affairs
14. URPL-GP 2666 Water Sourcing and Climate Change

Selection for seats in the pre-registration courses will be based on certain weighted factors, including how many semesters a student has remaining at Wagner, whether the course is a requirement for the student's specialization, etc. In cases where there are multiple sections of a course available, your section preference will also be part of the weighting. Beginning in Spring 2012, having previously attempted to pre-register for a course will also be a weighting factor (i.e., if you didn't get into the class in Fall 2011 and enter the pre-registration for the same course in Spring 2012 you will be given preference).

If there are enough seats in the course for all of the students in a tier to be enrolled, all of those students will be enrolled. If there are not enough seats for all of the students in a tier to be enrolled, students in that tier will be randomly ordered and placed in the course or on the waitlist according to that order.

Everyone who enters the pre-registration will be notified by Thursday, November 10 about whether they have secured a seat in a course, or their position on the waitlist (if appropriate). Students will be provided a private access code so that they may register for the course via Albert, when Albert registration opens on Monday, November 14. Students must register themselves, using the code, before Friday, November 18. Students will be manually placed on the waitlist by Wagner on Thursday, November 17. The courses in the list above will be open to all students for registration on Albert on November 18.

Pre-registration will not take into account schedule conflicts. If you secure a seat in conflicting courses, you must choose which course to take and which to forego.

If you have additional questions, email [wagner.academicservices@nyu.edu](mailto:wagner.academicservices@nyu.edu).

### \*\*\* IMPORTANT GENERAL NOTES \*\*\*

#### Check Albert for Updated Course Meeting Dates, Times and Course Changes

The course schedule is posted on [Wagner website](#) but it is important to always check Albert for the most updated information on courses. Albert may be updated daily, while the course schedules on the Wagner website are updated once per week.

#### January Intersession courses included in Spring 2012 schedule

Courses offered in January 2012 are included in the Spring 2012 schedule on the [Wagner website](#) (search for “January”), and as part of Spring 2012 on ALBERT.

#### Skills Courses

Most skills courses are 2-credit courses (4000-level courses).

#### Outside/University-wide Electives

To view the University-wide list of courses that has been pre-approved by the Wagner faculty and may be taken as electives, visit <http://wagner.nyu.edu/courses/otherlistings.php>. This is a helpful tool that allows you to see non-Wagner courses listed by topic area, for example international development, social policy, education policy, nonprofit management, and more. We have made every effort to update non-Wagner course numbers, but you may need to consult with the department to verify new course numbers. For instructions on how to register for non-Wagner courses, see: <http://wagner.nyu.edu/students/registration/outsideWagner.php>.

#### Pre-Term Workshops

Pre-Term Workshops are open to all current students. Registration is completed through Albert. For more information on Pre-Term, consult the website: <http://wagner.nyu.edu/current/services/preterm.php>

#### Courses by Semester

To view an outline of when courses are typically offered, visit <http://wagner.nyu.edu/courses/> and download the “Courses by Semester” documents for each program.

#### Composing Your Career

Dates and times for these workshops can be found in Albert and on the spring course schedule, <http://wagner.nyu.edu/courses/>. Students must submit pre-registration requests for the non-credit “Composing Your Career” workshops.

#### Core Course Waiver Exams

Students who do not qualify for an automatic course waiver (see waiver policies at: <http://www.nyu.edu/wagner/current/registration/waivers.php>) may write a waiver exam. The waiver schedule for May is posted on our website, and students can register online (at the link above). Waivers must be completed prior to the start of a student’s second semester.

#### SPSS Proficiency Exam

SPSS proficiency is a requirement for graduation. Students who waive Statistics (CORE-GP 1011) must demonstrate proficiency in SPSS by passing the SPSS examination (NONCR-GP 938) prior to starting Capstone or by completing PADM-GP 2902 Multiple Regression and Introduction to Econometrics. Register on Albert for the optional preparatory module (NONCR-GP 931) for the SPSS exam and for the exam (NONCR-GP 938). Students who take CORE-GP 1011 gain proficiency through their coursework.

#### Labs/Recitations for Quantitative Courses

Please note that the labs/recitations for the following courses are mandatory, but have been given separate course numbers beginning in Spring 2012:

Statistics	lecture: CORE-GP 1011;	laboratory: CORE-GP 111
Microeconomics	lecture: CORE-GP 1018;	recitation: CORE-GP 118
Financial Management	lecture: CORE-GP 1021;	recitation: CORE-GP 121
Multiple Regression	lecture: PADM-GP 2902;	recitation: PADM-GP 290

You must register the corresponding non-credit lab/recitation when you register for a lecture.

Please note that PADM-GP 2140 Public Economics and Finance has an optional recitation section (PADM-GP 140). It is not mandatory to register for this discussion when you register for the lecture, although it is highly recommended.

**\*\*\* SPRING 2012 COURSE INFORMATION \*\*\***

(In addition to the international courses on the following pages, there are course announcements listed on the MUP, PNP and Health course highlight documents found here <http://wagner.nyu.edu/courses/>)

**~ new courses ~**

**URPL-GP 4611 – Intelligent Cities: Technology, Policy and Planning (2 credits)**

**Anthony Townsend (see bio below)**

**Friday 9:15am – 10:55am (second half of semester)**

**Prerequisite: None**

Global urbanization is driving demand for an estimated \$40 trillion in infrastructure over the next two decades, and information technology spreading off the desktop and out of offices and homes into everyday objects. As these two trends collide, a broad range of stakeholders - the information technology industry, real estate developers, technology startups, citizens and civic leaders – are all looking for new opportunities to address both existing and emerging urban problems using “intelligent” systems. This course will cut through the thick hype around intelligent cities by discussing - what are intelligent cities really? Where, why and by whom are they being built? What are the intended and unintended potential consequences? What is the role of urban policy and planning in shaping their evolution? Students are expected to have some basic knowledge of fundamentals of urban planning. This is not a technology or engineering course – technical concepts will be explored during the lectures as needed to explain their significance in urban affairs.

**Dr. Anthony Townsend** is Research Director at the Institute for the Future, an independent research organization which conducts long-range technology forecasts. His research focus is on the impact of new technology on cities and public institutions, and the role of technology in economic development. Recent projects he has directed recently address several inter-related topics: the impact of urban data on the poor, national innovation strategy for a major emerging economy, technology and restructuring of large public organizations, and the role of science and technology parks in economic development. Anthony is actively involved in policymaking and economic development organizations around the world. He testified at a United States Senate hearing on "Research Parks and Job Creation" on December 9, 2009, and serves on the advisory board of the International Association of Science Parks ([www.iasp.ws](http://www.iasp.ws)). He has served on mayoral municipal broadband advisory boards in both New York City and San Francisco, and advises CIOs and economic development organizations in several global cities. Anthony holds a Ph.D. in urban and regional planning from Massachusetts Institute of Technology, a master's in urban planning from New York University, and a B.A. in urban studies with a minor in physics from Rutgers University.

**~ offered in spring 2012, after two year hiatus ~**

**URPL-GP 2666 – Water Sourcing and Climate Change**

**Instructor: [Iskander](#)**

**Wednesday 4:55 – 6:35pm**

**Prerequisite: PADM-GP 2201**

**~ course with international content added ~**

**PADM-GP 2411 – Policy Formation**

Instructor: [Gershman](#)

Tuesday 6:45 – 8:25 PM

Prerequisite: CORE-GP 1022

This course is offered every fall and spring, but this spring section will also include international content.

**~ courses with a new instructor for spring 2012 ~**

**PADM-GP 2202 – Politics of International Development**

Instructor for section 001 Monday 12:30 – 2:30 PM: Moncada (see bio below)

Instructor for section 002: [Gershman](#)

Prerequisite: PADM-GP 2201 and CORE-GP 1018, CORE-GP 1022

**Eduardo Moncada** is Assistant Professor / Faculty Fellow at the Wagner Graduate School of Public Service at New York University and Assistant Professor in the Department of Political Science at Rutgers University - Newark. His areas of interest include comparative urban politics, the political economy of development, and democratization. Eduardo completed his Ph.D. in Political Science at Brown University in 2011. His research has been supported by the American Society of Criminology, the Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship program, the Fulbright-Hays program, the Graduate Program in Development and the Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies at Brown University, the Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation, and the Program on Order, Conflict and Violence at Yale University. Eduardo completed a Master of Arts in Latin American Studies at the University of Miami and a Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies at Global College / Long Island University. His current book project focuses on the role of business actors in shaping local government responses to urban violence in Latin America.

**PADM-GP 2472 – Environmental Economics**

Instructor: Pienaar (see bio below) (M. Damon is not teaching in spring 2012 but will return next year)

Monday 4:55 – 6:35 PM

Prerequisite: CORE-GP 1018

**Elizabeth Pienaar** obtained her PhD from the Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics, University of California, Davis in 2009. Her research focuses on community-based conservation in Africa, environmental valuation, environmental attitudes, the conservation of endangered and threatened species, and sustainable development. She is a member of the Institute for Policy Integrity, New York University School of Law.

**PADM-GP 2203 – International Economic Development**

Instructor: Ebenstein (see bio below) (J. Morduch is not teaching in spring 2012 but will return next year)

Wednesday 2:00 – 3:40 PM (section 001)

Wednesday 6:45 – 8:25 PM (section 002)

Prerequisites: CORE-GP 1018, CORE-GP 1011

**Avi Ebenstein** received his Ph.D. in economics from University of California, Berkeley in 2007. His fields of interest include environmental economics, health economics, and economic demography. Dr. Ebenstein's past research examined the impact of fertility control policy in China on the sex ratio, and investigated policies that might address the "missing girls" phenomenon in Asia. He also explored linkages between declining fertility and increasing female labor supply in Taiwan and the United States in a comparative study. His current research examines the impact of globalization on labor market outcomes in developed and developing countries.

**PADM-GP 2216 – International Organizations: NGOs**

Instructor: Wolfe (see bio below)

Thursday 6:45 PM – 8:25 PM Friday

January 26, February 2 & 9; March 8, 22; April 12 and 19

Prerequisite: None

**Rebecca Wolfe** is a Senior Youth and Peacebuilding Advisor with Mercy Corps' Youth and Conflict Management team. Since joining Mercy Corps, she has developed and supported programs in various countries including Sri Lanka, Nepal, Afghanistan, Tajikistan, Kosovo, Kenya, Liberia, Philippines, Kashmir and Yemen. She also published the agency's Youth and Conflict toolkit in January 2011. In November 2009, Dr. Wolfe worked with USAID/Kosovo to develop their youth strategy. Before joining Mercy Corps, Dr. Wolfe taught at Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School for Public and International Affairs. She received her PhD in Social Psychology from Harvard University.

**~ course not offered in spring 2012 ~**

**PADM-GP 2472 – Protecting Rights and Promoting Development: Labor and Environmental Standards in the Global Economy**

**Instructor: Coslovsky**  
**Offered again in 2013**

**~ courses offered in January intersession (listed on spring schedule) ~**

**PADM-GP 2225 – Organizing for Human Rights Change**

**Instructor: [Schulz](#)**

**Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM**

**Meets January 10 - 12**

**Prerequisite: none**

**~ courses offered in an intensive model ~**

**PADM-GP 2216 – International Organizations: NGOs**

**Instructor: Wolfe (see bio below)**

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**January 26, February 2 & 9; March 8, 22; April 12 and 19**

**Prerequisite: None**

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**PADM-GP 2245 – Financing Local Government in Developing Countries (4 credits)**

**Instructor: [Smoke](#)**

**Friday 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM**

**Meets January 27 through March 2**

**Prerequisites: CORE-GP 1018, and CORE-GP 1022 or URPL-GP 2660**

For course descriptions (see “course listings”), course syllabi, course schedules and program checksheets, go to: <http://wagner.nyu.edu/courses/>