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#### PROFESSIONAL PREPARATION

- Bachelor of Science (Systems Engineering). University of Pennsylvania. May 1989
- Master of Science (Systems Engineering). University of Virginia. May 1993
- Master of Planning (Environmental Planning). University of Virginia. May 1994
- Ph.D. (City & Regional Planning). University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.
   September 1994 December 2000
  - O <u>Dissertation</u>: Planning for Sustainable Development: A Comparative Analysis of the Preparation Process and Content of Community Comprehensive Plans

### RECENT APPOINTMENTS

- Assistant Professor, Environmental Science Graduate Program. Interdisciplinary Program Appointment. The Ohio State University. May 2004-present
- Assistant Professor of City & Regional Planning. Austin E. Knowlton School of Architecture, The Ohio State University. January 2000-present
- Executive Director. 1000 Friends of Central Ohio, Columbus, Ohio. March 2002-December 2002

#### RECENT REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

- Conroy, Maria Manta; and Jennifer Evans-Cowley. 2005. Informing and Interacting: The Use of E-government for Citizen Participation in Planning. *Journal of E-Government* 1(3): 73-92.
- Conroy, Maria Manta; and Philip R. Berke. 2004. What Makes a Good Sustainable Development Plan? An Analysis of Factors that Influence Principles of Sustainable Development. Environment and Planning A 36:1381-1396.
- Conroy, Maria Manta; and Steven I. Gordon. 2004. Utility of Interactive Computer Based Materials for Enhancing Public Participation. Environmental Planning and Management 47(1): 19-33
- Conroy, Maria Manta. 2004. EcoCity Columbus: Using an Ohio State University Planning Class to Bring Sustainability Concepts to Columbus, Ohio. *International Journal of Sustainability in Higher Education* 5(2): 199-212.
- Conroy, Maria Manta. 2003. The Process of Planning for Sustainable Development: Dimensions, Comparisons, and Insights. *International Journal of Sustainable Development* 6(4):460-477.
- Berke, Philip R.; and Maria Manta Conroy. 2000. Are We Planning for Sustainable Development? An Evaluation of 30 Comprehensive Plans. *Journal of the American Planning Association* 66(1): 21-33.
  - Recipient of American Planning Association's Journal of the American Planning Association 2001 Award for Best Article.

- Conroy, Maria Manta. Forthcoming, 2005. Book Review of Barlett, P. F. and Chase, G. W. (Eds.) (2004) Sustainability on campus: Stories and strategies for change.
   Cambridge MA: MIT Press. 327 pp. Journal of Architectural and Planning Research.
- Conroy, Maria Manta. 2004. Book Review of Portney, K (2003) Taking sustainable cities seriously: Economic development, the environment, and quality of life in American cities. Cambridge MA: MIT Press. 284pp. *Journal of the American Planning Association* 70(2):238.
- Evans-Cowley, Jennifer; and Maria Manta Conroy. 2004. E-governance: On-line Citizen Participation Tools for Planners. American Planning Association PAS Report Number 525.
- Conroy, Maria Manta. 2002. Book Review of Chiras, Daniel D., John P. Reganold, and Oliver S. Owen. 2002. Natural Resource Conservation, Management for a Sustainable Future, Eighth Edition. Upper Saddle River, NJ: Prentice Hall. *Journal of Planning Literature* 17(1):68.
- Berke, Philip R.; and Maria Manta. 1999. Planning for Sustainable Development: Measuring Progress in Plans. Working Paper for the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy.

### OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Evans-Cowley, Jennifer; and Maria Manta Conroy (editors). 2005. E-Government and Planning: Key Citizen Participation Issues and Applications. John Glenn Institute for Public Service and Public Policy, http://hdl.handle.net/1811/519.
- Conroy, Maria Manta; and Jennifer Evans-Cowley. 2005. Introduction in *E-Government and Planning: Key Citizen Participation Issues and Applications*. John Glenn Institute for Public Service and Public Policy, http://hdl.handle.net/1811/519.
- Evans-Cowley, Jennifer; and Maria Manta Conroy. 2005. Incorporating Development Services in *E-Government and Planning: Key Citizen Participation Issues and Applications*. John Glenn Institute for Public Service and Public Policy, http://hdl.handle.net/1811/519.
- Conroy, Maria Manta; and Jennifer Evans-Cowley. 2005. Conclusion in E-Government and Planning: Key Citizen Participation Issues and Applications. John Glenn Institute for Public Service and Public Policy, http://hdl.handle.net/1811/519.
- Evans-Cowley, Jennifer S.; and Maria Manta Conroy. 2004. Bringing Planning to your Fingertips. *The Ohio Planner's News* 54(5):1, 3
- Evans-Cowley, Jennifer S.; and Maria Manta Conroy. 2004. Online Citizen Information Tools for Planners. *InfoText* 80:8-10.

## PUBLICATIONS SUBMITTED AND IN PROGRESS

- Evans-Cowley, Jennifer; and Maria Manta Conroy. Under Review. The Growth of E-government in Municipal Government. *Journal of Urban Technology*.
- Conroy, Maria Manta; and Jennifer Evans-Cowley. Under Review. E-participation in Planning: An Analysis of Cities Adopting On-line Citizen Participation Tools. *Environment and Planning C.*
- Conroy, Maria Manta. Under Revision. Moving the Middle Ahead: Challenges and Opportunities of Sustainability in the Midwest. *Journal of Planning Education and Research*.

- Conroy, Maria Manta; and Timothy Beatley. Under Revision. Getting it done: An
  exploration of sustainability efforts in practice. *Journal of Architectural and Planning*Research.
- Simpson, David; Evans-Cowley, Jennifer; and Maria Manta Conroy. In Progress. *Environment and Planning B*
- Conroy, Maria Manta. In Progress. Leading the Way to Smart Growth The role of leadership in smart growth efforts across the U.S. *Journal of Planning Literature*.
- Conroy, Maria Manta; and Jack L Nasar. In Progress. Running in Place: Exercise and its Relationship to the Built Environment. *Journal of the American Planning Association*.
- Conroy, Maria Manta; and Al-Izad Iqbal. In Progress. Factors influencing adopting sustainability efforts in the Midwest.

### PAPER PRESENTATIONS

- Moving the Middle Ahead: Challenges and Opportunities of Sustainability in the Midwest paper presented to the Annual Conference of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning, October 21-24, 2004, Portland, Oregon.
- Who Uses What Tools and Why: Planners, Participation, and E-Governance (with Dr. Jennifer Evans-Cowley) paper presented to the Ohio State University City and Regional Planning Program's Conference on E-governance: Developing on-line citizen participation tools, March 3-5, 2004, Columbus, Ohio.
- Sustainability and the "Average" City: An Exploration of Bringing Sustainability Concepts to Columbus, Ohio (with Dr. Timothy Beatley) paper presented to the Annual Conference of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning, November 21 24, 2002, Baltimore, Maryland.
- Planning for Sustainable Development: An Analysis of Factors that Influence Principles of Sustainable Development, paper presented to the Center for Urban and Regional Analysis, October 11, 2002, The Ohio State University.
- What Makes a Good Sustainable Development Plan? An Analysis of Factors that Influence Principles of Sustainable Development, paper presented to the Annual Conference of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning. November 8-11, 2001. Cleveland, Ohio.
- Planning for Sustainable Development: A Comparative Analysis of Community Planning Processes, paper presented to the Annual Conference of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning. November 2-5, 2000. Atlanta, Georgia.

### INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- "Planning and Sustainable Development" Ohio EPA Sustainable Redevelopment Training (June, 2004).
- "Stakeholder Analysis and Watersheds" Ohio Watershed Academy (February, 2003).
- "Sustainability and the "Average" City: An Exploration of Bringing Sustainability Concepts to Columbus, Ohio" City & Regional Planning Brown Bag Series (November, 2002).
- "Smart Growth and Ohio" Jennifer M. McSweeney Ohio Land Use Program (November, 2002).
- "Planning for Sustainable Development: A Comparative Analysis of the Preparation and Content of Community Comprehensive Plans" City & Regional Planning Brown

- Bag Series (February, 2001).
- "Public Participation and the Environment" Simply Living Annual Conference, The Ohio State University (October, 2001).

### RECENT FUNDED RESEARCH

- Maria Manta Conroy, with Dan Boron, Jessica Garrow, and Paul Harris. Planners Day in School. Funded by The Ohio State University Office of Outreach and Engagement (\$4,211).
- Peter M. Shane, Stephen R. Acker, Maria Manta Conroy, Jennifer Evans-Cowley, Steven I. Gordon, and Gerald M. Kosicki. Building Democracy through Online Citizen Deliberation. Funded by the Battelle Endowment for Technology and Human Affairs (\$59,741).
- Maria Manta Conroy and Steven I. Gordon. "Technology Enhanced Participation for Watershed Planning," 2005-2006. Funded by the US Geological Society (\$17,844).
- Maria Manta Conroy and Jennifer Evans-Cowley. "E-Government: Citizen Engagement in Public Planning," 2003-2004. Funded by the Battelle Endowment for Technology & Human Affairs (\$46,011).
- Maria Manta Conroy and Jennifer Evans-Cowley. "E-Government: Citizen Engagement in Public Planning," 2003-2004. Office of Continuing Education (\$2,000).
- Maria Manta Conroy. "Sustainability and the 'Average' City: An Exploration of the Pervasiveness of Sustainability Concepts in Communities in Central Ohio," 2002-2003. Funded by the Center for Urban and Regional Analysis at the Ohio State University (\$31,141).
- Steven I. Gordon and Maria Manta Conroy. "Linking Measures of Watershed Quality to Citizen Participation to Facilitate Watershed Protection," 2000-2001. Funded by The Ohio State University Environmental Policy Initiative (\$10,300).

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE AT THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

- CRP 643: American City Planning Since 1900 (class size: 55) Spring 2001, 2003, 2004, Fall 2004, 2005
- CRP 722: Introduction to Analysis & Use of Environmental Factors in City and Regional Planning (class size: 15)
   Winter 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005
- CRP 724: Introduction to Planning for Sustainable Development (class size: 15) Winter 2001, Fall 2001 (team taught), Spring 2002, Spring 2004, Fall 2004
- CRP 750: Resolving Social Conflict (team taught) (class size: 30) Fall 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005
- CRP 780: Workshop in Urban and Regional Planning Techniques (class size: 20) Fall 2000 (team taught), 2001
- CRP 794: Development Dispute Resolution (class size: 10)
   Winter 2004
- CRP 815/816: Case Studies in Urban Planning for Housing/ Seminar in Housing (international exchange class with the Technical University of Dresden (TUD), Germany) (class size: 12) Spring 2002
- CRP 821: Regional Planning Studio, Watershed Planning (team taught) (class size: 6)
   Spring 2001

#### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE

# Professional

- Peer reviewer for: Journal of the American Planning Association, Journal of Planning Education and Research, Journal of Planning Literature, Landscape and Urban Planning, Journal of Environmental Planning and Management, and Environment and Planning C.
- Special Issue reviewer for: *Environmental Practice* "Framing Intractable Environmental Disputes."
- Abstract reviewer: 2004 conference of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning (Environmental Track).
- Discussant and moderator: 2004 conference of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning (Sustainability: International Examples and Issues).
- Illinois-Indiana Sea Grant program reviewer (June 2003)
- EPA STAR grant fellowship reviewer (February 2001)

# University and Department

- Knowlton School of Architecture Digital Library Committee (2000-present)
- Graduate faculty representative (2001-present; approximately annually)
- Rural-Urban Task Force member (2001-present)
- Center for Urban and Regional Analysis member (2001-present)
- C&RP Award Committee (2000)
- C&RP Faculty Search Committee (2000)

### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- American Planning Association
- Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning
- Society for American City and Regional Planning History
- Affiliate, Ohio Center for Wetland and River Restoration