WOMEN, THE CITY AND DEVELOPMENT

Urbanization, gender and the Global South (GenUrb)

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What is GenUrb?

- Who do we think of when we imagine the city and urbanization? How does that affect how we understand poverty, migration and women?
- Six year project focusing on seven cities to understand how women’s claim to the city is being shaped by urbanization, through the changing nature of poverty
- Cochabamba, Georgetown, Delhi, Shanghai, Ibadan, Cairo, Mumbai, Ramallah
- Centers policy and public education as approaches to understanding and impacting
- SDGs 5 and 11 inform the work

Research question

How does increasing urbanization in the Global South impact the feminization of poverty and women’s claim to the city?

Research problems

- Organization of various papers and research collected over the project’s three year term
- Social media management (Twitter) --- engaging and relevant content needed
- Maintenance of project’s website (content and design)
- Special issue contribution – managing papers and finding information from various journals

SDGs 5 & 11

- Sustainable Development Goals launched in 2015 by UN after MDGs ceased. Comprised of 17 goals with 231 indicators.
- SDG 5: Gender equality. Informs project’s focus on women across gender spectrum
- SDG 11: Sustainable cities and communities. Serves as a framework for understanding how cities can grow in a way that accommodates the needs of a wide range of people now and in the future.

Solutions and methodology

- Employed Zotero for organization of papers; cross-referenced to create tagged folders so researchers could easily access resources
- Streamlined SharePoint for collaborative work on research submitted for special issue on women and urbanization
- Website: utilized Muffin Builder
- Sought out relevant articles for Twitter page
- Formatted book chapters per publication house guidelines
- Organized journal guidelines for special issue