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Becoming Urban: Complexities in Contemporary Developing Cities



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SPEAKERS

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Much of the Chicago School's scholarship has focused on the process of "becoming urban": the process of becoming entangled in a set of urban networks, coming to identify with certain urban places, adopting urban norms and an urban outlook, and developing an acute sensitivity to social inequality. The process of urbanization in developing cities has differed markedly from the process that shaped European and North American cities a century earlier. Complexity is simply the way of life for these younger urban centers, with its agents uniquely adept at negotiating complexity in an organic and embodied way. This session will bring together scientists and anthropologists of the urban to facilitate an exchange of global perspectives and experiences of navigating the complexities of becoming urban.

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