

NEWSLETTER



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School of Architecture Planning and Preservation
Maryland's Built Environment School

MRED in South Africa



Durban



Cape Town



Nelson Mandela University

During the last two weeks in July, Director **Maria Day-Marshall** and Assistant Director **Tanya Bansal** traveled to South Africa with five members of the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials (NAHRO) representing public housing authorities in Maryland, California, Texas, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. The purpose of the trip was to explore public housing research and practice partnerships between South African institutions and the US, to explore opportunities to exchange information on social and affordable housing best practices, and to engage on academic exchanges in the area of real estate development.

The delegation was hosted in South Africa by **Lawrence Ramashamole**, Chief Executive Officer, Housing Authority of East London, and led by **Elizabeth Glenn**, South Africa Professional Exchange Manager for the Maryland Association of Housing and Redevelopment Agencies. The group journeyed to four cities including Johannesburg, Cape Town, Port Elizabeth and Durban at which they met with social housing and other government officials, and visited informal, formal and squatter housing settlements. The trip also included meetings with representatives from Nelson Mandela University, University of KwaZulu-Natal and Durban University of Technology, all of whom were enthusiastic about the prospect of establishing partnerships with the University of Maryland and interested in professional





Johannesburg



Isithumba Village in KwaXimba

Professor Bansal in India



This summer, **Tanya Bansal**, Assistant Director and Clinical Assistant Professor, visited architecture schools in India. She interacted with department chairs, faculty and students at the Maharishi Markandeshwar University (MMU), Ambala, Regional Institute of Management and Technology University (RIMT), Mandi Gobindgarh, and the Lovely Professional University (LPU), Jalandhar, all in Punjab, India. The purpose of the visit was to educate architecture students about the real estate development process in the United States, and to discuss with the faculty opportunities for collaboration between them and the University of Maryland.



September Happy Hour

Colvin Fall Lecture Series The Future of Retail





The Lobby Bar at The Hotel at the University of Maryland

College Park, MD

September 24, 2019 | 5 PM - 8 PM

Back to school happy hour at College Park! Mark your calendar for September 24th. Join us at The Lobby Bar at The Hotel at the University of Maryland from 5:00 pm-8:00 pm for complimentary appetizers, cash bar and lots of networking! This event is open to all alumni, current MRED students and friends. Hope you can make it! Please RSVP to **Carrie Chard** at cchard@umd.edu

RSVP

Mark your calendar for the Colvin Institute's Fall Lecture Series on October 9! SiteWorks' President, **Nick Egelanian**, will present publicly available data points to argue that Amazon is not killing retail, and it is also not anywhere close to becoming a dominant player in the grocery industry.

Considered a leading expert on retail and the shopping center industry, **Nick Egelanian** pioneered the segmentation of retail into Commodity & Specialty sub-groups as the author of the retail chapter of the Urban Land Institute's Professional Real Estate Development: The ULI Guide to the Business, 3rd Edition in 2012. Egelanian served as VP of Real Estate and New Store Development for Crown Books and FAO Inc/Zany Brains before forming SiteWorks Retail Real Estate Services in 1992. As President of SiteWorks, Egelanian has worked with retail clients and advises owners and developers throughout North America. He is also an adjunct professor for the Master in Real Estate Development Degree (MRED) at the University of Maryland.

