



Urban Research Program

2008 Seminar Series

Professor John Rennie Short

Going For Gold:

Globalisation, The Summer Games and Urban Makeovers

This seminar examines the relationship between the increasing globalisation of the Summer Olympics and the affect on host cities. The impact of the Games on city structure, selling the Games to urban communities, and the opportunities and dangers for the city are critically discussed. Locally these have taken on a new significance since Premier Bligh's recently announced support for a bid from the Gold Coast to host the 2018 Commonwealth Games.

John Rennie Short is Professor of Public Policy at the University of Maryland. He is an expert on urban issues, environmental concerns, globalisation, political geography and the history of cartography.

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Friday 3rd October 2008

2.00 p.m. - 3.30 p.m.

Gold Coast campus - G31 (Arts and Education 2) Room 3.17