Curriculum vitæ

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Carlos Balsas is an assistant professor in the Department of Geography & Planning at the University at Albany. He is an urban and regional planner trained in Europe and the U.S. Carlos has graduate degrees (MRP and PhD) in Regional Planning from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst and a licentiate degree in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Aveiro in Portugal. He has worked in multiple professional capacities in Portugal, Massachusetts, California and Arizona. His main research interests are urban revitalization and resilience, urban governance, non-motorized transportation planning, mega-event development, city and culture, and international planning. He has published books on commercial urbanism and city center revitalization and written papers for refereed journals, edited volumes, conference proceedings, dictionaries and encyclopedias. He has lived, worked and presented his work in various countries in Europe, North and South America and Asia. Prior to his current appointment, Carlos Balsas was an assistant professor at Arizona State University. His teaching portfolio includes a whole array of undergraduate and graduate courses in urban and regional planning, planning theory and ethics, planning studios, metropolitan governance, sustainable transportation planning, digital communities and urban development, study abroad, plan implementation, community development, bicycle and pedestrian planning, and global urbanism and culture. He has served on Masters and PhD advisory committees and performed professional service in the U.S. and in E.U. countries. Several of his introductory and advanced planning studios have won planning awards in the United States. His work has been published in many academic periodicals, including: Cities, Finisterra, International Journal of Transportation Science and Technology, Journal of Urban Design, Journal of Latin American Urban and Regional Studies, Local Economy, Planning Practice and Research, Portuguese Studies Review, Sociedade e Território, Third World Planning Review and Transport Policy.