Walls that Divide: Out There and In Here

A Presentation and Conversation with

Professor Scott Bollens

School of Social Ecology

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Noon-1:00 p.m.
Cross-Cultural Center

Professor Scott Bollens will examine diversity and division from two perspectives: (1) as a researcher looking at deeply divided urban areas across the world over the past 17 years; and (2) as a teacher of race and ethnicity courses to undergraduate UCI students of diverse family and ethnic backgrounds.

Scott Bollens is UCI Professor of Urban Planning and the Warmington Chair in Peace and International Cooperation. He studies the intersection of cities and nationalist conflict and has interviewed more than 240 individuals in the cities of Beirut, Jerusalem, Belfast, Johannesburg, Nicosia, Sarajevo and Mostar (Bosnia), and Basque Country and Barcelona (Spain). He is author of the new book, City and Soul in Divided Societies (London and New York: Routledge, 2012), and has previously written Cities, Nationalism, and Democratization (2007), On Narrow Ground (2000), and Urban Peace-Building in Divided Societies (1999).

The event is part of the Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity’s Campus Conversations Series which aims to provide the campus community with opportunities to engage in dialogues about contemporary topics related to equal opportunity and diversity.

Event is free and open to the community. If you have questions or need further information, please call (949) 824-5594 or oeod@uci.edu. To learn more about OEOD, go to: www.oeod.uci.edu.

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