

CfP for Session on “Urban Networks” at the XXVIII Sunbelt Conference, June 26-July 1, 2018 at Utrecht University

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As the majority of people now live in cities, cities are a key location for many social and economic activities, which can frequently be examined through a network lens. Urban networks exist at a range of scales, from neighborhood-level social networks among people, to city-level transportation networks, to global-level economic networks between cities. Additionally, urban networks are studied by network scientists from a range of disciplinary perspectives including geography, sociology, physics, and engineering. The study of "urban networks" has grown rapidly in the last decade and had led to both specialized conferences and journal special issues. This rapid growth in the size, scope, and scale of urban network research has left the area invigorated, but without a clear agenda for future work. This session will showcase an interdisciplinary range of substantive and methodological work on urban networks, with the aim of identifying future directions for this field.

One or more sessions at the 2018 International Network for Social Network Analysis (INSNA) Sunbelt Conference will focus on Urban Networks. The conference will take place June 26 – July 1 in Utrecht, Netherlands. Abstracts for 20-minute paper presentations can be submitted at <https://sunbelt.sites.uu.nl/abstract-submission/>. Submissions are due 1 February 2018, and authors of accepted papers will be notified by March 2018. Please contact [zpneal@msu.edu](mailto:zpneal@msu.edu) with questions about the session.

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- Submitting to a forthcoming special issue of Networks and Spatial Economics
- Submitting to a forthcoming special issue of Journal of Urban Affairs