



# NEWS

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## MTA AND MIT WILL HOST AN OPEN HOUSE FOR ANGELINOS INTERESTED IN CITY PLANNING

**WHAT:** LA is facing urban growth equivalent to the size of Chicago in the next 20 years. We must train visionary planners to address our future urban challenges. Massachusetts Institute of Technology Department of Urban Studies and Planning (DUSP) in collaboration with the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) will be hosting an open house for Angelinos interested in pursuing a degree in City Planning. The Open House will have as its theme "Planning for a New Los Angeles," and will feature a discussion of the major transportation, housing, labor, and education planning initiatives in our metropolis. Invited guests include Los Angeles City councilman Alex Padilla, and Con How, director of Los Angeles City Department of Planning. MIT is one of the worlds top research institutions, and has been pivotal in the development of many leading urbanist. The Department of Urban Studies and Planning has five focus areas: City Design and Development; Environmental Policy Group; Housing, Community, and Economic Development; International Development and Regional Planning; and Planning Support Systems. The DUSP Chair and other faculty members will be present as well as alumni from Los Angeles area to answer questions regarding the academic program, current research projects, and available scholarships and grants.

**WHEN:** Thursday, May 4, 2000  
6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

**WHERE:** MTA Gateway building  
One Gateway Plaza  
"West Patio"  
Los Angeles

**WHO:** Bish Sanyal, Chair, DUSP, Mark Schuster, DUSP  
Alex Padilla, Councilman City of Los Angeles  
Con How, Director City of L.A. Department of Planning,  
Abel Valenzuela, UCLA Assistant Professor  
Chi Mui, Chinatown Activist  
Diego Cardoso, MTA Director Pedestrian/Urban Environment  
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