

**“Crises, Prospects and Responses: Local, Regional, National, and Global”**

**September**

14 William Mass and Georges Grinstein, RESD and Computer Science, UMass Lowell

**“Open Indicators: New Tools for Data Visualization and Analysis from the Local to the Global”**

21<sup>1</sup> Teresa Ghilarducci, Professor of Economics and Director of Schwartz Center for Economic Policy Analysis, New School for Social Research

**“The Plot Against Pensions, the Plan to Save Them, and Why It Matters for Everyone”**

28 Ann Eldridge Malone, Executive Director, Alliance to Defend Healthcare

**“Healthcare Reform in Massachusetts and US: Covering Everyone Well While Cutting Costs”**

**October**

5 Geoff Beckwith, Executive Director, Massachusetts Municipal Association

**"The Reform Imperative: Changing State & Local Policy to Reflect the New Fiscal Reality"**

12 Columbus Day (University closed)

19 Paul Ryan, College Lecturer in Management and Project Leader on Industrial Clusters, Research Centre for Innovation and Structural Change, National University of Ireland

**"Cluster Strategies and Responding to the Crisis in Ireland"**

26<sup>1,3</sup> Gerald Epstein, Professor of Economics and Co-Director of Political Economy Research Institute, University of Massachusetts Amherst

**"Preventing Future Financial Meltdowns: What's Needed? What's Likely?"**

**November**

2<sup>3</sup> Perry Mehrling, Professor of Economics, Barnard College of Columbia University

**"Credit Crisis of 2007 to ?: Fundamental Causes and Policy Responses"**

9<sup>2</sup> Cynthia Enloe, Professor, International Development, Community and Environment, Clark University

**“Gender, Militarization, and Development: At Home and Abroad”**

16 Tea Petrin, Chair of the European Commission's European Cluster Policy Group and Professor of Economics, University of Ljubljana

**"Responding to the Crisis: The role of business clusters"**

23 Joe Kriesberg, President, Massachusetts Association of Community Development Corporations

**“Building Communities: Continuity and Crisis”**

30<sup>1</sup> Robert Farrant, RESD, UMass Lowell

**“Global Economy - Local Woes: Lowell and the Great Recession of 2008 - 2009”**

**December**

7 Michael Hilliard, Professor of Economics, University of Southern Maine

**"Labor Law Reform in Historical Context: American Employer Exceptionalism"**

Buffet lunch is provided. All seminars are at noon. **On Sept. 21, Oct. 23, Nov. 30 the seminars will be at the UML Inn and Conference Center, 50 Warren Street, Lowell, MA.** For directions go to

<http://www.uml.edu/maps/new/> click on “Residence Halls” then “Inn and Conference Center”

**On all other dates the seminars are in RESD Seminar Room 500 O’Leary 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, 61 Wilder Street.**

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<sup>2</sup> Co –sponsored by the Center for Women and Work

<sup>3</sup> Co –sponsored by the Economics Department Other co-Sponsorships are pending

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