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2016-2017 Georgia Seminar



(l-r: Expressway Opening, Marta Proposal, Peachtree Center Marta Station)

The Too-Busy City: Atlanta and Urbanity

(begins September 29, 2016)

Between World War II and the present Atlanta grew by leaps and bounds, becoming a national, and later an international city. Even as Atlanta's supporters marveled at its meteoric rise, critics worried about its suburban sprawl, stifling congestion, and commitment to social equity. Using media accounts and selected planning documents, our seminar will examine critical developments in Atlanta's history including the creation of Atlanta's expressway network, the establishment of MARTA, and its hosting of the 1996 Olympic Games. After exploring the factors that contributed to its dramatic expansion, the seminar will conclude with a consideration of the politics and projects that will shape Atlanta's future in the twenty-first century.

The seminar will be moderated by **Dr. Edward Hatfield**, Instructor of History at Kennesaw State University, and will meet at **The Fox Center** from **6:30pm to 8:00pm** for **four consecutive Thursday evening** sessions during the 2016 fall semester: **September 29, October 6, 13, 20**. Everyone from the Atlanta community is welcome and invited to join us for this free seminar. For further information or to reserve seating on a "first-come basis," please email the Fox Center at foxcenter@emory.edu, or call 404.727.6424.

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