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«Give me a break!
I’m from Brooklyn, we’re not fancy»
A field and longitudinal study in Park Slope, New York City
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Presentation and discussion of a doctoral research project on institutions, housing and lifestyles in a north-American (super)gentrification process

Guest lecture organized by Giuliana Costa within the “Urban Sociology” course, International MA in Urban Planning and Policy Design – Politecnico di Milano

Abstract
In an attempt to make concrete linkages between neighborhood change and the boundary-making paradigm, this field and longitudinal study of a New York City’s neighborhood, addresses the influences of displacement, housing-abandonment and resettlement in Super-gentrification processes on 1) the types of institutions that emerged to represent different class interests; 2) the types of social groups that came to inhabit the neighborhood; 3) the pattern of that evolution over time; 4) the particular goals, values, and morals that such community organizations evolved; and 5) the social status displays carried out in cultured consumption in housing and leisure.

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