

## **Neighborhood Development (PDD 664) – NEW COURSE**

Fall 2008

4 credit hours

Tuesday evenings

Professors Keating and Krumholz

This course will analyze community organizations engaged in neighborhood development. The emphasis will be community development corporations (CDCs) in Cleveland's neighborhoods. In view of the foreclosure crisis caused by predatory and subprime lending facing many Cleveland neighborhoods, the focus will be on patterns of housing foreclosure and abandonment, their impact on urban neighborhoods, and the organized efforts of CDCs to combat this problem. In addition, students will learn about the efforts of the city of Cleveland, the Cleveland Housing Court, Cuyahoga County, the state of Ohio, Re-Build Ohio, the federal government, and the National Vacant Properties Campaign to prevent further lending abuses and prevent as many borrowers from losing their homes as possible. The class will hear from speakers from CDCs and other involved organizations and will tour heavily affected Cleveland neighborhoods. This course will count toward the Housing and Neighborhood Development specialization in the MUPDD degree program.