**General Questions**

What readings have been influential in thinking your dissertation topic?

How does housing relate to affordability?

What are some of the key concepts and readings that you’d include in a syllabus on urban inequality and what do they tell us about the urban inequality?

**Patterns, Trends, and Definitions**

What are some different ways to think about inequality?

What are some of the different ways to measure inequality?

Describe the recent trends in inequality since the 1900s.

How are “solutions” or means to address inequality thought about and what are some of them?

**Wealth and Inequality**

What is wealth, how is it measured, what are some methodological concerns, and what are some good data sources?

What does the literature say about relationship between homeownership and wealth accumulation?

What is the relationship of minorities and disadvantaged populations to wealth?

What effect did the housing crisis have on trends in wealth accumulation?

What does the literature say about intergenerational transfer of wealth?

**Urban and Spatial Inequality: Neighborhood Effects**

What are neighborhood effects and what is the role of space?

What are the three central questions that the neighborhood effects literature seeks to address?

What are some of the major methodological concerns confronting neighborhood effects literature and how are they being addressed?

What are some of the major critiques of the neighborhood effects literature?

**US Zoning and Housing Policy**

What is exclusionary zoning and what are some of its implications? Inclusionary zoning?

What has been the relationship of federal policy and zoning?

What is the relationship between housing regulation and affordability?

What are some changes to housing policy since 1968?