PAA BUSINESS

Letter from the President

On behalf of the PAA 2009 Program Committee, we are pleased to present the Preliminary Program for the 2009 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America. The meeting will be held in Detroit from Thursday April 30 to Saturday May 2, 2009 at the Marriott Renaissance Center.

The creation of the program for the annual meeting of the PAA is the product of the research interests of our membership. Following last year’s meeting, PAA members submitted over 140 suggested sessions for the 2009 meeting. Based on these suggestions, investigation of the most popular sessions (as measured by the volume of submissions) at recent meetings, and informal canvassing of PAA members, the PAA Program Committee assembled a list of 92 regular sessions that were listed in the Call for Papers posted on the website in July. The program committee endeavored to create broad topics for sessions and, to the extent possible, recruited members to serve as session organizers who had not been in this role in the last two years.

More than 1,960 submissions came into the PAA Meeting website. The real heroes of program planning are the session organizers who read and evaluated the submissions under quite a tight deadline. With 92 regular session organizers, the mean number of first-choice papers per organizer is over 21, but many organizers had more than 50 submissions: Ann Blanc, Elizabeth Cooksey, Jacinda Dariotis, Ryan Edwards, Karl Eschbach, Kathy Ford, Jennifer Glass, Linda Gordon, Michelle Hindin, Jon Hussey, Nancy Luke, Zoe Matthews, Stefanie Mollborn, Suzanne Ryan, Zeba Sathar, Christopher Seplaki, Arjumand Siddiqi, Matt Stagner, Quincy Stewart, Megan Sweeney, Lowell Taylor, and Eliya Zulu. Jon Hussey deserves special mention for handling almost 100 submissions! The PAA Program Committee is grateful for the extra effort that was required.

For session organizers who received many more good papers than could be accommodated in a single session, over 85 additional “overflow” sessions were added to the program. Four additional sessions were created from abstracts and papers submitted directly to the President or that were routed to her by the organizers. There are approximately 70 posters in each of the seven poster sessions. In all, we are able to accommodate over 1200 of the submissions in the 2009 PAA program. The preliminary program includes over 2100 participants (including co-authors of multiple authored papers). It is hard to imagine a more productive and participatory scholarly association.

All of this is possible because hundreds of PAA members spend countless volunteer hours working as members of the program committee and as session organizers. THANK YOU! We also appreciate the willingness of PAA members to serve as discussants and session chairs. We owe debts of gratitude to Germán Rodríguez who is the creator of the machinery behind the PAA Meeting website and database, and Jodie Lee, who assisted Harris on many of the myriad details involved in organizing the program. Special thanks go to Philippe Migrenne, who devoted enormous energy to the many issues that arose with the submissions and organizer judging. Philippe, Germán, Chang Chung, and Jodie—thank you for your dedication and service!

There are 11 invited sessions on a variety of special topics. In light of our impending decennial census, Linda
Gage and the PAA Committee on Population Statistics organized two sessions on “Plans for the 2010 Census” and “The Future of Survey Research.” Chris Bachrach organized an exciting panel on “The Emergence of Health Trajectories in Childhood.” A sterling international panel was organized by Amy Tsui on “What Population Research Can Contribute to the Achievement of the Millennium Development Goals.” The program includes three jointly-sponsored invited sessions that were organized by the PAA International Outreach Committee chaired by John Casterline and our international partner population associations: “International Perspectives on Fertility” organized by Barry Edmonston from the Canadian Population Society (CPS); “Mexican Youth in Mexico and the U.S.” organized by Rebeca Wong on behalf of the Mexican Population Association (SOMEDE); and “Fertility, Contraception, and Reproductive Health in Latin America,” organized by Suzana Cavenaghi of the Latin American population association (ALAP). Karen Mason organized an invited session hosted by the PAA Development Committee on “Whither Demography and the PAA” to discuss the future of the PAA. Bill Frey invited several reporters who cover the demographic beat for their respective newspapers, including the Wall Street Journal, USA Today, and The Detroit News in a panel “Demographers and the Press.” Finally, we have an outstanding line-up for a signature session on “50 Years of the Detroit Area Study.”

As in recent years, there will be LCD projectors and overhead projectors in all sessions. Presenters (or session organizers) are responsible for bringing a laptop computer with their PowerPoint presentations to connect to the LCD projector. The PAA program will continue until 2:20 pm on Saturday afternoon.

Sessions will be 110 minutes and some sessions will include two discussants in order to maximize feedback to paper authors. Unless otherwise directed by the session chair, authors should plan on no more than 12-15 minutes for their presentation. This will leave time for introductions, transitions, discussants, audience questions and comments. As with last year, poster sessions will group posters by broad topic area – fertility, marriage, children, health etc. We hope that this will help specialists who visit poster sessions to find the posters in their specialty areas, as well as group together poster authors with similar interests.

Detroit is a unique city with numerous attractions and a rich demographic history. Located North of Canada, Detroit is a major port city on an international waterway, and the Marriott Renaissance Center, home to the PAA 2009 Meeting, is situated on the Riverfront. From numerous museums and galleries to sports arenas and shopping centers, visitors are surrounded by history, fascinating architecture, and entertainment in the Detroit Metro. Countless restaurants and bars offer cuisine of every style and flavor, such as Polish, Middle Eastern, German, Italian, Latin American and everything in between! For those who are interested, there are three large casinos in downtown Detroit and another one across the Detroit River in Windsor, Ontario (bring your passport!). The Greektown entertainment district and Casino is very close to the convention hotel. The Detroit Tigers baseball team will play at nearby Comerica Park during the PAA meeting, and the Detroit Red Wings hockey team may be in the Stanley Cup playoffs defending their national championship title in Joe Louis Arena as well.

Of many exciting outings recommended to PAA attendees, there are two events planned for Saturday that require reservations. A kayaking adventure along the Detroit River provides a guided tour highlighting the redevelopment of Brownfield sites along the water edge. Members who are interested in learning more about revitalization efforts along the Riverfront will be interested in the Wheelhouse Detroit Bicycle Tour. Riders will cycle through beautiful historic residential districts, to Belle Isle, and past many points of interest. Plan to join an early evening bus ride on Thursday when Ren Farley will narrate a special edition of his Detroit tour,
tailored for the demographer in all of us with supporting
census data and other Detroit-area statistics.

Registration details about the events and other fun ac-
tivities are located on the PAA Website (http://www.
popassoc.org).

We look forward to seeing you in Detroit.

Best wishes for a happy new year,

Kathleen Mullan Harris, President
Robert A. Moffitt, Vice-President

2009 NOMINEES ANNOUNCED

The PAA Nominating Committee – Frances Goldscheider
(chair), Jere Behrman, and Elizabeth Thomson – pro-
aposes the following slate of candidates for the 2009 elec-
tion. Additional candidates may be nominated according
to the procedures outlined in Article IV of the PAA by-
laws, available on the website, www.popassoc.org. Sub-
mits petitions signed by at least ten PAA members, along
with the required biographical data information by May
8, 2009, to Ann E. Biddlecom, Secretary-Treasurer, PAA,
8630 Fenton Street, Suite 722, Silver Spring, MD 20910.
The biographical information form may be obtained from
the PAA office.

Nominees for PAA Offices:
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David A. Lam, University of Michigan
Paul Schultz, Yale University

Vice President – Elect
Noreen J. Goldman, Princeton University
Wendy D. Manning, Bowling Green State University

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John D. Iceland, Pennsylvania State University
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Judith Ann Seltzer, University of California-Los Angeles
Jennifer Van Hook, Pennsylvania State University

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Alaka M. Basu, Cornell University
Eileen M. Crimmins, University of Southern California
Mark D. Hayward, University of Texas at Austin
Cynthia B. Lloyd, Population Council
Michael S. Rendall, RAND Corporation
Steven Ruggles, University of Minnesota
Michael J. White, Brown University

Publications Committee
Robert A. Hummer, University of Texas at Austin
Beth J. Soldo, University of Pennsylvania

GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS UPDATE

February 2009

On January 20, 2009, President Obama was sworn into
office, ushering in not only a new Administration, but
also a new political era. Also in January, the 111th Con-
gress began its work with overwhelming Democratic
majorities leading both chambers, giving the Obama
Administration a rare opportunity to act on its legisla-
tive priorities.

H.R. 1, American Recovery and Reinvestment
Bill of 2009

In light of the crumbling economy and staggering job
loss statistics, the Administration made passage of an
economic stimulus package its top priority. After weeks
of deliberations, the House and Senate passed H.R. 1,
the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA)
of 2009. The President signed the bill into law on Feb-
ruary 17, 2009.

According to White House, the purpose of the ARRA is
to:
(1) preserve and create jobs and promote economic
recovery
(2) assist those most impacted by the recession
(3) provide investments to increase economic effi-
ciency by spurring technological advances in sci-
ence and health
(4) invest in transportation, environmental protection,
and other infrastructure that will provide long-term
economic benefits
(5) stabilize state and local government budgets, in or-
der to minimize and avoid reductions in essential
services and counterproductive state and local tax
increases
The law contains several provisions affecting federal agencies important to the PAA:

**National Institutes of Health (NIH)**

In recognition of the health and economic impacts of biomedical and behavioral research, the final version of the law included $10.4 billion for the NIH. The funds must be spent over two years and cannot be added to the agency’s future funding base. Given these unique circumstances, NIH is developing alternative plans for distributing these funds. After the bill was signed, NIH Acting Director Raynard Kington met with stakeholders at a public briefing to outline the nascent spending categories, which are summarized below.

- $8.2 billion set aside to support scientific research priorities
  - $7.4 billion will be transferred to the Institutes and Centers and Common Fund (CF), based on a percentage-based formula.
  - $800 million to the Office of the Director (OD) (not including CF). Some of this funding, for example, could be used to support Challenge Grants, a new program designed to focus on health and science problems where progress can be expected in two years.
- $1 billion to support Extramural Construction, Repairs, and Alterations.
- $300 million for Shared Instrumentation and other capital equipment.
- $500 million to fund high priority repair, construction, and improvement projects on the NIH campus.
- $400 million for Comparative Effectiveness Research (CER).

At the February stakeholder briefing, Dr. Kington said the agency would select projects from among recently peer-reviewed, highly meritorious R01s and similar mechanisms capable of making “significant advances in two years.” NIH may also fund new R01 applications that have “a reasonable expectation of making progress in two years.” The agency will support other ongoing projects through “targeted supplements.” Finally, approximately $100 to $200 million, at a minimum, will be used to support the NIH Challenge Grant program. The number of awards and amount of funds will be determined, based on the scientific merit and the quality of applications.

At press time, NIH had not issued specific guidance on the Challenge Grant program or on the new strict ARRA reporting requirements. However, the White House had posted a website, [www.recovery.gov](http://www.recovery.gov), which indicated funds could begin flowing in March with recipients making their first reports in July.

**Census Bureau**

ARRA also included $1 billion for the Census Bureau. As members of the Census Project coalition, PAA encouraged Congress to include this funding to not only help stimulate the economy in local communities preparing for Census 2010, but also to support activities targeted at historically hard-to-count populations. In a statement accompanying the final version of the Act, Congress states that the Bureau is to use the funding “to hire additional personnel, provide required training, increase targeted media purchases, and improve management of other operational and programmatic risks. Of the amounts provided, up to $250,000,000 shall be for partnership and outreach efforts to minority communities and hard-to-reach populations.”

**National Science Foundation**

ARRA also contains $3 billion for the National Science Foundation. NSF is obligated by law to submit detailed plans for how it plans to allocate this funding by mid-April.

The final version of ARRA did not, unfortunately, include funding for the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS). Earlier iterations of the bill had proposed giving the agency $40 million to begin upgrading the nation’s vital statistics data collection efforts. The Friends of NCHS will work through the annual appropriations process to obtain this important funding.

**Fiscal Year 2009 and 2010 Appropriations**

Most federal agencies are operating on a Fiscal Year (FY) 2009 Continuing Resolution that expires on March 6, 2009. To wrap up work on this fiscal year and turn attentions towards FY 2010, Congress is expected to consider an omnibus appropriations package containing the nine remaining FY09 appropriations bills.

The Obama Administration is sending its FY 2010 budget blueprint to Capitol Hill during the week of February 23. A more traditional, detailed budget will not go to the Hill until sometime in April.

**Cabinet Appointments**

At press time, two of the federal Departments important to the PAA, Department of Health and Human Services
(HHS) and Department of Commerce, did not have new leaders. On February 3, former Senator Tom Daschle withdrew his nomination to become the next HHS Secretary, while on February 12 current Senator Judd Gregg (R-NH) withdrew his nomination to become the next Secretary of Commerce. The stalemate on these nominations has precluded the nomination of other key personnel within these departments, especially the Census Bureau Director and Director of NIH. The Census Project coalition wrote to the White House to urge the selection of a Census Bureau director despite the ongoing challenges of finding a Commerce Secretary. The letter is posted at: (http://www.thecensusproject.org/cp_emanuel_2-2-09.pdf).

**PAA on Capitol Hill**

On February 23, PAA members Dr. Linda Jacobsen, Population Reference Bureau, Dr. Joseph Salvo, City of New York, and Ms. Joan Naymark, Target Corporation, participated in PAA-sponsored congressional briefing. “The Ailing Economy: How Do Census Data Help?” The briefing was co-sponsored by a dozen other organizations and co-hosted by six members of Congress. The purpose of the briefing was to educate congressional and Executive Branch officials on how census data are used to allocate programmatic funds, make marketing and investment decisions, and analyze developments in the U.S. housing market.

**PAA PEOPLE**

“PAA People,” a regular feature of this newsletter, profiles members of our association in order to foster an appreciation of the diverse membership and different types of work we all do. Members are selected at random and then interviewed by Warren Brown, University of Georgia. In this issue Warren interviews Constance Gager of Montclair State University in New Jersey.

**Warren – Your “demographic perspective” began early in life. Please share that story with us.**

**Connie** – My mother loves to tell the story of one day when she walked by my bedroom door, where I was playing “Barbies” with my friends. She overheard me say “Now that we had them get married, let’s have them get divorced!” I went on to major in geography and completed a master’s in geography focusing on the spatial distribution of divorce and female-headed families in 4 New England states. I later received my Ph.D. in sociology at UPenn where I focused on marital happiness and perceptions of fairness in the division of household labor.

**Warren – Has your early interest in the demography of marriage and family continued?**

**Connie** – I am currently focusing on the intergenerational transmission of relationship conflict and accord. My R03 proposal “Effects of Parental Marital Discord on Adult Child Outcomes,” was just funded by NICHD. With colleagues Miriam Linver and Scott Yabiku, the research aims to examine whether parental conflict and/or marital quality affects adult children’s relationship quality with their current dating, cohabiting, or marital partner. We will also explore the effect of parental marital conflict and quality on the outcome of adult children’s first cohabiting or marital relationship using the National Survey of Families and Households (NSFH). In sum, the proposed research will take advantage of the longitudinal nature of the NSFH, with three waves of data to examine change in family structure and parental conflict and relationship evaluations from wave 1 to wave 2 on adult child outcomes in wave 3. Including these family and individual controls will allow us to disentangle the effects of parental conflict from other family circumstances or individual child characteristics that may also lead to poor adult relationships.

**Warren – What are some of your other professional activities?**

**Connie** – I am collaborating with Scott Yabiku on two research projects. The first examines the effect of household labor time on spouses’ reported sexual frequency and the second focuses on the role of sexual frequency in marital versus cohabiting dissolution. I have also been working on the role of technology in learning, as I am a member of a Hybrid Teaching Committee at Montclair State University. Hybrid teaching involves a combination of face-to-face and on-line teaching. Last summer, we conducted a Hybrid Teaching Camp and I recently developed a hybrid course in Family Sociology as well as course wikis to replace Blackboard. With a group of colleagues at Montclair, I am applying for an NEA summer grant to fund a research project exploring the possibilities and opportunities presented by online teaching in field of Family and Child Studies.
Warren – When did you join PAA and what have you found to be some of the benefits of membership?

Connie – I’ve been a member since 1994 and have been an active participant in the annual meetings, presenting my research and acting as a discussant. By attending the annual meetings I am able to keep current with new population research, and to stay connected with graduate and postdoc colleagues, as well as my mentors.

Warren – What do you do for fun?

Connie – I am an avid cook. I love to try and create new recipes and try them out on my friends. I also love to hike/walk and just bought a new book “50 Great Hikes in New Jersey.” Yes there is actually good hiking in New Jersey. I also love to debate social issues and politics, and use demographic statistics to support my arguments! I am hoping to take up kayaking this summer on Cape Cod.

SEARCH FOR PAA PEOPLE EDITOR

Alas, our long-serving and engaging PAA People editor, Warren Brown (University of Georgia), is stepping down from his position. For several years, he has brought us valuable interviews with PAA members that allow us to get to know one another a bit better, and to appreciate the diversity of interests and capabilities within our Association.

PAA Affairs is now seeking an editor for PAA People. The volunteer position entails contacting randomly selected PAA members for interview four times a year, creating a (fairly standardized) profile for them, and submitting the interview to the editor of PAA Affairs by the specified deadline.

Interested parties should contact Stephanie Dudley as soon as possible for further details: Stephanie@popassoc.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ICPSR SUMMER PROGRAM WORKSHOP IN LONGITUDINAL ANALYSIS OF HISTORICAL DEMOGRAPHIC DATA, July 20–August 14, 2009, Ann Arbor, Michigan*

Historical demography is an interdisciplinary field with a long history of important contributions to population studies and to the understanding of the past. This research has revealed a great deal about fundamental demographic processes such as household and family dynamics, the transition to smaller family units, pre- and post-industrial population dynamics, the demographic transition, migration patterns, and demographic responses to economic stress. This 4-week course will emphasize the use of event history analysis and data management of historical databases drawn from European, North American, and Asian populations. Longitudinal data will be employed to construct time-varying covariates and contextual variables for individuals, families, and households. Methodological issues such as censoring and incomplete information will also be addressed. Read more information about the course at www.icpsr.umich.edu/sumprog/historical-demography.html. Application deadline is May 4, 2009.

Applications are competitive. Participants will be selected on the basis of their interest in the topical areas, prior methodological training, and potential for research contributions that promote longitudinal analysis. Participants should be familiar with quantitative methods, including regression analysis. Those who need preparation in statistics are advised to attend quantitative courses during the June–July session of the ICPSR Summer Program. A limited number of stipends (between $500 and $2,000 US) will be awarded to cover travel and other expenses. For those admitted to the workshop, no fee will be charged to attend the Longitudinal Analysis in Historical Demography course. Apply on-line at www.icpsr.umich.edu/training/summer, or at the ICPSR booth at the PAA meetings in Detroit. Support provided by the National Institutes of Health* and the ICPSR Summer Program.

Instructors:

George Alter, University of Michigan
Cameron Campbell, University of California at Los Angeles
Glenn Deane, University at Albany, SUNY
Myron P. Gutmann, University of Michigan
J. David Hacker, Binghamton University, SUNY
Susan Hautaniemi Leonard, University of Michigan
Katherine A. Lynch, Carnegie Mellon University
Ken R. Smith, Huntsman Cancer Institute and University of Utah

*Pending final funding approval from the National Institutes of Health
IPUMS Informational Workshop at the PAA Annual Meeting: Learn to access free census microdata from around the world

The Minnesota Population Center will host a workshop focusing on the IPUMS databases, which together create the world’s largest collection of publicly available individual-level census data. Representatives from the Center will describe the contents of the data available, explain how the datasets were created and integrated, and demonstrate how they can be obtained free of charge through the web-based extraction system. The presentation will also highlight major strengths and limitations of the IPUMS for demographic research.

This session will take place on Thursday, April 30, 2009, 6:30pm – 8:30pm in the LaSalle room on Level 5 of the Detroit Marriott Renaissance Center. This event is free. Please e-mail ipums@pop.umn.edu to register for the workshop.

Columbia Population Research Center workshop on the Fragile Families dataset at the PAA Annual Meeting

The Columbia Population Research Center (CPRC) will sponsor a free 2-hour workshop on the Fragile Families dataset at the PAA’s 2009 Annual Meeting in Detroit, Michigan. The workshop is titled “Using the Fragile Families and Child Wellbeing Study Data to Study Marriage and Family.” The workshop will provide an overview of the research design and key components of the data and then provide insights into using the data for studying union status and household structure, union history, relationship quality, and fertility.

The workshop will take place:
Wednesday, April 29, 6:00-8:00pm
Detroit Marriott at the Renaissance Center,
Brule B, Level 5

The target audience is young scholars from various social science disciplines, including advanced graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, junior faculty, and other researchers who are interested in using the Fragile Families data for the analysis of marriage and family.

Please email cprc@columbia.edu if planning to attend. Space is limited.

About Fragile Families
The Fragile Families and Child Wellbeing Study follows a birth cohort of (mostly) unmarried parents and their children, providing information about the capabilities, circumstances, and relationships of unwed parents, the wellbeing of their children, and the role of public policy in family formation and parent and child wellbeing. Additional information about the study can be found at http://www.fragilefamilies.princeton.edu.

JOBS! JOBS! JOBS!

Johns Hopkins University Department of Population, Family and Reproductive Health: Tenure track faculty position in women’s health

The Department of Population, Family & Reproductive Health at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health is recruiting for a tenure track faculty position (rank commensurate with experience) in women’s health. The Department is interested in applicants who have a fit with on-going research, teaching and public health practice of its current faculty (http://www.jhsph.edu/dept/pfrh). Potential areas of expertise include disparities in women’s health, gender-based violence and women’s status, the impact of reproductive health on chronic conditions and childbearing choices, health concerns of menopausal women, women’s mental health, and health care access and use, particularly among disadvantaged women. Applicants with other research areas in women’s health are also welcome to apply. The position is intended primarily for professionals with expertise in women’s health and international experience is welcome.

The Department strongly encourages applicants to apply who have a record of research or public health practice, as evidenced by peer review publications and, as appropriate, funding support. Competitive applicants also should have experience in teaching or mentoring students. Candidates should have a PhD or equivalent training in public health, the social sciences, medicine or related fields.

Interested applicants should email a curriculum vita and a cover letter indicating research interests and teaching experience and the names and contact information of three references to David M. Paige, MD, MPH at dpaige@jhsph.edu. In addition, please cc Pamela Martin (pmartin@jhsph.edu) on all correspondence.

The Department strongly encourages applications from qualified women and members of underrepresented mi-
norities. Johns Hopkins University is an equal opportunity, affirmative action employer.

University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)
California Center for Population Research (CCPR): Postdoctoral position
The California Center of Population Research (CCPR) invites applications for a postdoctoral position to participate in the Mekong Integrated Population-Registration Areas of Cambodia (MIPRAoC) project. MIPRAoC is a demographic surveillance system (DSS) collecting demographic and survey data annually in seven areas along the Mekong Valley in Cambodia. The DSS allows researchers to track demographic trends and the survey data are designed for analyses of past and contemporary family processes in these areas.

The selected applicant is expected to facilitate the liaison between the P.I. at CCPR and the project manager in Cambodia, and to collaborate with them in conducting research on children and families in Cambodia using MIPRAoC data and other data sources on Cambodia. Short travels to Cambodia may be required. The appointment is for one year, with negotiable starting dates within the next academic year. This full time employment will not be compatible with other employment during the stay at UCLA.

Qualifications: Candidates should hold a Ph.D., or equivalent international diploma, in anthropology, demography, economics, sociology, or another social science discipline. They should have a solid track record of writing and publishing research papers, both independently and in collaboration with other researchers. Candidates with a working knowledge of Khmer are encouraged to apply, but strong oral and written communication skills in English are essential. Other requirements include the ability to work effectively in a multi-national environment, experience in managing and analyzing large data sets, and independence in conducting research.

Interested applicants should submit the following materials:
• Cover letter describing relevant background, research interests, and fit for this position;
• Writing sample (such as sole or first-authored research paper, book or dissertation chapter);
• Up-to-date curriculum vitae (CV);
• Up to three letters of recommendations, sent under separate cover (indicate names and contact of recommenders on CV).

All materials should be mailed to Patrick Heuveline, c/o Lucy Shao, California Center for Population Research, 4284 Public Policy Building, PO Box 957236, University of California, Los Angeles, CA 90095. Review of applications will begin on April 20, 2009 and continue until the position is filled.

RAND Population Studies: Post-doctoral position
The RAND Corporation is accepting applications for one postdoctoral fellowship in Population Studies, pending funding approval. This competitive program enables outstanding scholars to sharpen their analytic skills and advance their research agenda in the field of population studies. Scholars come from various disciplines including economics, demography, sociology, and psychology.

Housed within RAND’s Labor and Population Program, the program blends formal and informal training and extensive collaboration with distinguished researchers without teaching obligations. One-year fellowships are renewable for a second year and provide a competitive stipend and health insurance. Fellows must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents, and must have completed a Ph.D. in a relevant discipline before they begin the program. The program is open to new scholars, as well as individuals who have some research experience or are on leave from an academic position. Fellowships are initially for a period of one year, renewable for a second year.

The expected start date is Fall 2009 but is negotiable. The closing date for application is April 30, 2009. Additional information and application materials are available at: http://www.rand.org/labor/fellows/population.html or by contacting Diana Malouf The RAND Corporation 1776 Main Street Santa Monica, CA 90407-2138 310-393-0411 x6462 email: malouf@rand.org

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Emory University Hubert Department of Global Health: Postdoctoral Fellowship in Gender, Family, and Global Demography

The Hubert Department of Global Health (HGH), Rollins School of Public Health (RSPH), Emory University is seeking a post-doctoral fellow in gender, family, and global demography. This position is a full-time, residential fellowship for a minimum of one year, with the possibility of continuation for a second year. The Department (http://www.sph.emory.edu/gh/index.php) consists of over 90 full-time, jointly appointed, or adjunct faculty with strong programs in population and reproductive health, infectious disease, nutrition, and existing expertise in health systems, economic evaluation, and health economics. The Department offers graduate programs in global health, nutrition, population and demography, global epidemiology, infectious diseases, community health, and global environmental health and enrolls 75-80 students each year. Many of the faculty at HGH and RSPH are jointly appointed in other departments and are engaged in the University’s Doctoral Programs in Anthropology, Epidemiology, Nursing, Nutrition, Prevention Sciences, Sociology, and Women’s Studies.

Applicants must have a Ph.D. in demography, public health, or one of the social sciences (e.g., sociology, economics, anthropology) at the starting date. Excellent skills in quantitative research and writing are required, as well as a demonstrated interest in and understanding of gender issues in resource-poor settings, gender gaps in human resources, and family demography. Parallel experience in qualitative research methods also is welcome.

The successful candidate will participate actively on externally-funded projects focusing on questions such as gender norms in Bangladesh, gender gaps in human resources in India, and ideals about family among immigrant communities in Atlanta. The fellow will be encouraged to participate in the intellectual life of the department and university by attending seminars and giving guest lectures.

Application Process: Please send a cover letter, curriculum vitae, 1–2 page statement of research interests, two examples of written work in pdf format, and 3 letters of recommendation to Dr. Kathryn Yount, Department of Global Health, Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University, 1518 Clifton Rd NE, Atlanta, GA 30322, or by email to kyount@sph.emory.edu.

Electronic submission is encouraged. Please specify “Gender, Family, and Global Demography Post-Doc” in the subject heading.

The review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled. The start date is negotiable. Only complete applications will be considered for interview. Emory is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer

National Education Association (NEA): Senior Research Analyst, Washington, DC

JDG Associates, Ltd., has been engaged to conduct the search for a Senior Educational Research Analyst with the National Education Association, reporting to the Manager of Surveys and Data Analysis. Headquartered in Washington DC with 3.2 million members across the country, NEA is the nation’s leading organization committed to advancing the cause of public education in the United States. For further information on NEA please visit its website: www.nea.org.

The essential functions of this position include conceptualizing and conducting a broad range of survey-based research and secondary analyses in areas such as teacher quality, teaching and learning, education policy and practice, and membership targeting/organizing; providing expertise and skills in advanced multivariate statistical methods; developing written reports, publications, graphics, and presentations accessible to diverse audiences.

Minimum Qualifications: Ph.D. in Sociology, Economics, Statistics or Demography; five years of progressively responsible experience in survey research involving the application of advanced statistical techniques in the analysis of complex data sets; experience

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

PAA would like to welcome 113 new members since September 2008. Current membership now stands at 2,854.
in heading research projects; experience writing for professional and scholarly journals; proven ability to communicate complex ideas to professional and lay audiences.

All candidates will be considered without regard to race, color, religion, sexual orientation, national origin, or disability. The NEA provides reasonable accommodations to applicants with disabilities.

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MEMORIAL SESSION AT PAA MEETINGS IN DETROIT

Wendy Baldwin (The Population Council), Omer Galle (University of Texas) and (John Weeks, San Diego State University) comprise the PAA committee tasked to organize the Memorial Session to be held at the PAA meetings this April in Detroit. At this session, all demographers who have died in the past year are remembered by name. Friends and colleagues may take a moment to speak of the deceased.

Wendy is now assembling a list of demographers who have died since the last PAA meeting in New York, or who died right before that meeting but were not remembered in the Memorial Session at the New Orleans meeting. To be included in the Memorial session, the decedent need not necessarily be a member of PAA at the time of his/her death, but should have been identified as a “demographer” while alive.

Wendy reports that they now have four names on their list of decedents, Calvin Beale, of USDA, John Kantner, Michael Koenig of Johns Hopkins University, and G. William Skinner of the University of California-Davis.

If PAA members know of any other demographers who have passed away in the last year or so, please send names of the decedents to Wendy Baldwin at wbaldwin@popcouncil.org. Also, if PAA members learn of any demographers dying between now and a week or so right before the PAA meetings start in Detroit (on the 29th of April), please send the names right away to Wendy. If you are willing to speak (or have someone to recommend) please send a quick email to Wendy so the committee can plan the service.

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