2005 Nominees Announced

The PAA Nominating Committee – Robert A. Moffitt (chair), Christine A. Bachrach, and Mark D. Hayward – proposes the following slate of candidates for the 2005 election. Additional candidates may be nominated according to the procedures outlined in Article IV of the PAA bylaws, available on the website, www.popassoc.org. Submit petitions signed by at least ten PAA members, along with the required biographical data information by April 29, 2005, to Lynne M. Casper, Secretary-Treasurer, PAA, 8630 Fenton Street, Suite 722, Silver Spring, MD 20910. The biodata form may be obtained from the PAA office.

Nominees for PAA Offices

President (1)
Eileen M. Crimmins, University of Southern California
Barbara Entwisle, University of North Carolina

Vice-President (1)
Greg J. Duncan, Northwestern University
Robert J. Willis, University of Michigan

Board of Directors (4)
Robert A. Hummer, University of Texas–Austin
Daniel T. Lichter, Ohio State University
Kathleen M. McGarry, University of California–Los Angeles
Jennifer H. Madans, National Center for Health Statistics
Robert D. Mare, University of California–Los Angeles
Robert F. Schoeni, University of Michigan
Susheela D. Singh, Alan Guttmacher Institute
Mary C. Waters, Harvard University

Nominating Committee (3)
Douglas C. Ewbank, University of Pennsylvania
V. Joseph Hotz, University of California – Los Angeles
Cynthia B. Lloyd, Population Council
John F. Long, US Census Bureau
Elizabeth Peters, Cornell University
Linda J. Waite, University of Chicago

Publications (1)
William G. Axinn, University of Michigan
Michael J. White, Brown University

A Message from the PAA President

Dear Colleagues:

On behalf of the PAA 2005 Program Committee, we are pleased to announce the completion of the Preliminary Program for the 2005 Annual Meeting of the Population Association of America. The meeting will be held in Philadelphia from March 31 to April 2, 2005 at the Philadelphia Marriott Hotel. For more details on the program, please visit the PAA Meetings website at http://paa2005.princeton.edu/, and for information on pre-registration for the meeting and hotel reservations, please visit the PAA website at http://www.popassoc.org/.

The creation of the program of the annual meetings of the PAA is entirely the product of the research interests of our membership. Following last year’s meeting, PAA members submitted almost 200 suggested sessions for the 2005 meetings. Based on these suggestions and careful study of the most popular sessions (as measured by the volume of submissions) at recent meetings, the program committee assembled a list of a little more than 100 regular sessions that were listed in the Call for Papers that was mailed to members last August. The program committee endeavored to create broad inclusive titles for sessions and also to ask members to serve as session organizers who had not been in this role in the last two years.

More than 1,700 unique submissions came into the PAA Meetings website, mostly in the last few days before the deadline. The real heroes of program planning are the session organizers who must read and evaluate the submissions under a tight deadline. With more than 3,000 submissions to be considered (most papers are submitted to two sessions), and approximately 100 session organizers, the mean number of papers per organizer is over 30, but many organizers had 50 to 70 submissions. Jacqui Darroch received 106 submissions for her session on “Reproductive Health in Developing Countries.” For Jacqui, and other session organizers who received many more good papers than could be accommodated in one session, about 40 additional “overflow” sessions have been
added to the program. Then things really become complicated, and the program committee created a number of additional overflow sessions for papers recommended by session organizers. There are also six poster sessions with 60 posters per session to the program. All in all, we are able to accommodate about two-thirds of the submissions in the 2005 PAA program. The preliminary program includes almost 1,900 participants (including co-authors of multiple authored papers), which is more than 60 percent of PAA membership. 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! In addition to the dedicated membership, the other reason why the PAA Meetings are so well organized is the absolutely fantastic PAA Meetings website created by German Rodriguez at Princeton. The website handles all of the contingencies of multiple submissions, produces mass mailings to participants, anticipates scheduling conflicts when presenters are in multiple sessions, and even produces the final program. Thank you, German.

In addition to the regular program, there are about a dozen special sessions of invited presentations. These include two Author Meets Critics session on important new books: Life Under Pressure: Mortality and Living Standards in Europe and Asia 1700 to 1900 by Tommy Bengtsson, Cameron Campbell, and James Z. Lee, and a new National Academy of Sciences volume Growing up Global; Transitions to Adulthood in Developing Countries by Cynthia Lloyd and colleagues. There will also be special sessions on the opportunities and challenges of the American Community Survey (organized by Reynolds Farley), the request for census tabulations on the geographical concentrations of American ethnic populations (organized by Linda Gage), confidentiality and spatially explicit data (organized by Deborah Balk), the demography of forced migration (organized by Charles Keely), population health and SES disparities in the US and Canada (organized by Edward Ng on behalf of the Canadian Population Society), Explaining Family Change and Variation (organized by Philip Morgan), and Forging the Future in Family, Work, Health, and Well Being (organized by Suzanne Bianchi). Some special sessions will follow the Town Hall style, which means that audience questions and panel responses are limited to one minute each.

Two sessions and a related event will commemorate our meeting city of Philadelphia. On Saturday morning, Tukufu Zuberi has organized a special session on W. E. B. Dubois and the “Philadelphia Negro” (the title of one of Dubois’ many books), and this will be followed by another special session on “Philadelphia in Historical Perspective,” organized by Gretchen Condran. Then on Saturday afternoon, Ren Farley will lead a walking tour of the neighborhood where W. E. B. DuBois gathered data for his study.

In the quarter century since the PAA last met in Philadelphia, many of the founding figures of American demography have passed on. This year, we have lost Otis Dudley Duncan whose insights, methods, and research exemplars still frame much in our field. Duncan’s legacy will be remembered at our annual memorial service, along with other colleagues who have died in the last year (Thursday evening from 8:30 to 10:00 pm). The impact of Duncan’s scholarship will be discussed in a special session organized by Robert M. Hauser.

A special concern of the PAA Board in recent years has been to make the meetings as accessible and as family friendly as possible. For the second year, the PAA is offering organized child care during session hours (see the preliminary program for details). The presidential session will be captioned for those with special hearing needs. The PAA Board is searching for creative ways to enhance access at the annual meetings for all members within the constraints of our very limited association resources. Suggestions to improve access to the meetings are most welcome.

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.

Philadelphia is a cosmopolitan city with many fine museums, restaurants, and historical sites within walking distance of Marriott Hotel. In particular, you should plan to take a few minutes to walk to the Independence National Historical Park where you can see the Liberty Bell and Independence Hall where the Declaration of Independence was signed and the Constitution was debated and written. To plan your visit, see the Philadelphia Visitors website at http://www.pcvb.org/ab_phil/whats_new.asp.

We look forward to seeing you in Philadelphia.

Best wishes for a happy New Year,
Charles Hirschman, President
Eileen Crimmins, Vice-President
Dear Colleagues:

Thanks to software designed by German Rodriguez, much of the work for the annual PAA meetings is now handled over the web. Not only has this innovation reduced the amount of work involved in organizing the conference, it also has provided us with the opportunity to make the conference papers available on the web. Last year, we took advantage of this opportunity and I think the system worked well. Many people have told us how wonderful it was to have not just the abstracts but also the extended abstracts and/or complete papers available on the web. The information is useful to people who attend the meeting but have to miss a session because of a scheduling conflict. And it is even more useful to those, particularly in the third world, who cannot attend the meeting at all. We believe the web has been a tremendous equalizing force in providing free access to information to scholars all over the world.

Let me provide a little more detail about the process. During the initial review process, the uploaded abstracts and papers are *not available* to the general public, but only to the session organizer. After the paper has been accepted it becomes available to the discussant. Once the preliminary program is published, the abstract and paper become available to the general public, although it is still possible to make corrections to the abstract and/or to upload a revised version of the extended abstract or paper before the deadline for publication in the final program. Finally, authors are able to upload revised versions of their papers during the two weeks after the conference and before the papers are archived.

The system can easily accommodate people who don’t want to make their paper available. First, people can choose not to upload their papers, but instead email them to the organizer and discussant. Second, even if they upload a paper during the review process, they can later upload a one-page abstract or paper that simply says how to obtain the real paper. This can even be done after the meeting, as the upload feature is kept operational for a week or two to enable people to make last-minute corrections to their papers.

I am writing to you now because the Board would like your feedback on this new innovation. As I noted above, many members have expressed pleasure at the idea of making the papers widely available. A few have expressed concern, primarily because of the potential effect on future publication rights. In order to develop a system that reflects the values and needs of all the members, we need to hear your opinions and suggestions. The board will be discussing this issue at our spring meeting. Please email or fax your comments to the PAA office, info@popassoc.org; 301.565.7850.

Sara McLanahan
Immediate Past President

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**Welcome New Members**
PAA would like to welcome 37 new members since November, 2005. Current membership now stands at 2,787.

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**Check Us Out on the Internet at www.popassoc.org for on-line newsletter and general information.**
On December 8, 2004, after two lame duck sessions, the 108th Congress completed its business by passing an omnibus spending bill and enacting legislation to reform the nation’s intelligence system.

Enactment of the Fiscal Year 2005 omnibus bill, H.R. 4818, brought an end to the appropriations deliberations that had endured most of the year. However, the bill’s passage was a mixed blessing for several agencies important to the Population Association of America (PAA). For example, the National Institutes of Health emerged with only a small increase of $336 million (2 percent) over the FY 2004 funding level. However, on a positive note, the House and Senate negotiators rejected language adopted by the House of Representatives that would have rescinded two NIH grants and, instead, included language in the conference report reiterating support for the agency’s peer review process. The National Science Foundation (NSF) was cut $105 million below its FY 2004 level—the agency’s first reduction since 1996. Conversely, the negotiators provided $146 million to initiate full implementation of the Census Bureau’s American Community Survey in 2005. Overall, the final legislation was very lean and included a .8 percent across-the-board reduction and a freeze or zero growth in non-defense discretionary spending. Next year’s appropriations bills promise to be even more parsimonious as Congress and the Administration pursue aggressive plans to cut the federal deficit in half over the next four years.

The below table summarizes final figures agencies important to the PAA received in the FY 2005 omnibus spending measure.

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**Changes in the Bush Administration**

After the November 2004 elections, President Bush overturned 60 percent of his Cabinet. Of particular interest to PAA is turnover in the Departments of Health and Human Services (HHS), Commerce, and State. President Bush nominated the former governor of Utah and current Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, Michael O. Leavitt, as a replacement for HHS Secretary Tommy Thompson. At the Commerce Department, the President nominated Carlos M. Gutierrez, CEO of the Kellogg Company, to replace Secretary Donald Evans. Finally, at the Department of State, the President named National Security Advisor Condolezza Rice to succeed Colin Powell. Throughout January, relevant committees in the Senate with oversight authority of the affected agencies will hold confirmation hearings. After completing these hearings, the full Senate will vote on the nominations. At press time, all of these nominations were receiving bipartisan support.

**Changes in the 109th Congress**

Also in January, members of the 109th Congress met to organize themselves—particularly, to elect new committee chairs and make other committee assignments. The House Republican Conference Committee made one of its most crucial appointments when it recently selected Congressman Jerry Lewis (R-CA) to succeed Congressman Bill Young (D-FL) as Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee. Congressman Lewis is the former Chairman of the House Appropriations Subcommittees on Defense and the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Veterans Affairs, Housing and Urban Development. In the Senate, Senator Thad Cochran (R-MS) was confirmed as the new Chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee. Senator Cochran is the former Chairman of the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture. At press time, appropriations subcommittee chairs had not been selected.
Another significant appointment in the Senate was the selection of Senator Michael Enzi (R-WY) to chair the Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee, which has jurisdiction over all HHS agencies, including the NIH.

**Agency Highlights**

**National Institutes of Health (NIH)**

**New OBSSR Director selected**—On December 9, NIH Director Elias Zerhouni announced the selection of Dr. David B. Abrams as the Associate Director for Behavioral and Social Sciences Research and Director of the Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research (OBSSR). Dr. Abrams has a doctorate degree in Clinical Psychology from Rutgers University. His areas of expertise include examining health needs and behaviors in a diversity of populations, including the underserved; addressing issues along the entire wellness-disease continuum; and crossing lifespan transitions. The PAA leadership hopes to meet with Dr. Abrams when the group makes its annual courtesy visits to Washington, D.C. later this spring.

**Report from the NIH Working Group on Basic Social/Behavioral Research**—At a December 1 meeting of the Advisory Council to the Director of the NIH, the Working Group of the NIH Advisory Committee to the Director on Research Opportunities in the Basic Behavioral and Social Sciences released a draft of its latest report. The group, which was chaired by Dr. Linda Waite, a PAA member and Professor of Sociology at the University of Chicago, was established last year in response to recent changes in the priorities of the National Institute of Mental Health that would result in reduced support of basic behavioral and social sciences research and the need for greater support for this research throughout the NIH.

The panel was charged with reviewing the existing portfolio of basic behavioral and social sciences research, identifying areas of opportunity, examining barriers to the submission and review of applications in this area, and making recommendations for improving the NIH’s support for basic behavioral and social sciences research. The report identified several Institutes and Centers, including the National Institute on Aging and the National Institute on Child Health and Human Development, as having strong basic behavioral and social sciences research programs. The report made two general recommendations: (1) A secure and stable home should be established at NIH that can foster basic research not closely linked to the missions of the categorical Institutes and Centers; and, (2) The basic behavioral and social science research programs that are currently doing well within Institutes and Centers should continue in their present form. To facilitate enhanced support of basic behavioral and social sciences research throughout the NIH, the report noted OBSSR would require additional funding, authority and staff. At the meeting, NIH Director, Dr. Elias Zerhouni, stated the group will enable the agency to “have a deeper look at what we need to accomplish.” The draft report is posted on the OBSSR home page at: [http://obssr.od.nih.gov/Activities/Basic%20Beh%2020Report_complete.pdf](http://obssr.od.nih.gov/Activities/Basic%20Beh%2020Report_complete.pdf)

**NSF**

**Bement confirmed**—On November 24, the United States Senate approved Arden Bement as the director of the National Science Foundation. The search for new Assistant Director for Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences Directorate continues.

**NCHS**

The National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) is pleased with the outcome of the FY 2005 appropriations. As the result of a re-organization at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), NCHS is located within the new Coordinating Center for Health Information and Services (CCHIS) and receives its appropriations as part of the funding line created for this new center. Based on the final figures in the FY 2005 omnibus appropriations bill for the CDC Centers, NCHS is slated to receive $109 million. This total is the equivalent of fully funding the President’s initial request of $150 million. Due to the CDC reorganization, members of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees asked CDC to take non-programmatic staff and overhead costs out of the budget for the agencies. As a result, the $109 million will be used to solely support NCHS programs.

Dr. Edward Sondick, NCHS Director, was asked to serve as the interim director of the CCHIS, while the agency conducts a nationwide search to replace the former CCHIS Director, Dr. James Marks, who left the agency last November.

**PAA Public Affairs Committee**

The Public Affairs Committee of the PAA and its affiliate organization, the Association of Population Centers (APC), welcomed three new members this year: Dr. Wendy Manning, Bowling Green State University, Dr. Leif Jensen, Pennsylvania State University, Dr. Alberto Palloni, University of Wisconsin, and Dr. Michael Koenig, Johns Hopkins University. The committee’s mission is to:

- Articulate views of PAA/APC members on issues before the legislative and executive branches of government.
- Educate federal policymakers about the importance of demographic research as it relates...
to current public policy issues.

• Inform board and members about status of public policy issues.

• Advise board, presidents, and members on how PAA and APC may respond to actions taken by the legislative and executive branches of government.

Please contact Mary Jo Hoeksema, the PAA/APC Public Affairs Specialist, at paaape@crosslink.net if you have any questions regarding the work being done by the Public Affairs Committee.

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 and then interviewed by Warren Brown, Cornell University. In this issue Warren interviews Jill Keesbury, the recently retired editor of PAA People. Jill is with the Population Council in Nairobi.

Warren: How did you become interested in population issues?

Jill: In the fall of 1994, I was nearing the end of coursework for a Master’s degree in international relations and was struggling to come up with a topic for my final thesis. One day while I was driving home from class, I heard a story on All Things Considered about the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) taking place in Cairo at the time. Listening to that story, it dawned on me that the new ‘reproductive health approach’ endorsed at the conference encapsulated nearly all of my interests: gender; human rights; development; and global social movements. Inspired by this story, and influenced by the regional expertise of my advisor, I wrote a thesis that examined the linkages between fertility and gender policies in Soviet Russia and Central Asia. Instead of simply satisfying my curiosity on the matter, as I had expected, this study left me with an entirely new set of questions that I felt compelled to explore; and from that point on I became increasingly preoccupied with the politics of reproduction in the developing world.

To help answer these questions, I pursued a Ph.D. in international relations at the University of Hawaii, where I was also a Degree Fellow at the East-West Center. This arrangement proved to be exceptionally conducive to looking at population issues- especially those in the Asia-Pacific region- from a political perspective. Not only did the political science department allow me the freedom to study population almost as extensively as international relations, but the East-West Center provided the resources and expertise I needed to develop a strong substantive knowledge of the population field. In fact, the two intuitions were so supportive of my somewhat unorthodox approach that they collaborated in funding my dissertation field research to India, Pakistan, and Bangladesh. Mirroring the catalytic effect of the Cairo Conference on my own intellectual development, my dissertation examined the ICPD’s impact on population policies in the three South Asian countries. I found that, as in my own personal experience, the ICPD was most influential in countries that had already begun to embrace the basic tenets of the reproductive health approach in the years preceding the conference.

Warren: What type of work are you currently involved in?

Jill: In August 2004, I joined the Population Council’s Nairobi office as a University of Michigan Population Fellow. In this position, I am part of the Expanding Contraceptive Choice Program which, as one of its primary activities, maintains a bilingual Africa-wide forum on emergency contraception (EC) known as ECafrique. Because the Nairobi office is regional in scope, over the past year I worked extensively in Ethiopia, and this year I will also begin working on studies in Kenya and Zambia.

Currently, one of the major efforts I am involved in is assisting the Ethiopian Ministry of Health in developing their National Reproductive Health Strategy. As a political scientist at heart, I find this work endlessly fascinating, since it gives me an opportunity to directly participate in the political processes that drove my interests as a student. I am also involved in two operations research studies that test the feasibility of mainstreaming EC in Ethiopia and Zambia. In Ethiopia, this work focuses on overall public sector service provision, while in Zambia it looks at enlisting police and other ‘first responders’ to provide EC services to sexual assault victims. Additionally, we are currently in the process of designing a new study in Kenya that responds to recent media reports associating easy access to EC with increased risky sexual behavior among adolescents. I feel very fortunate to be involved in each one of these exciting projects, and find that they speak to the diversity of interests that initially attracted me to the field.

Warren: What benefits do you draw from your PAA membership?

Jill: The PAA has always served as my link to the broader population community. As a student located on a small
island in the middle of the Pacific Ocean, I found this connection especially invaluable. The annual meetings allowed me the opportunity to present my work to a highly specialized audience, and the feedback I received on those papers was influential in shaping and refining the direction of my dissertation research. The conferences also helped expand my professional networks; and the relationship I developed with Jason Finkle, a fellow political scientist and the discussant for the very first paper I presented at the PAA, provided me with encouragement and opportunities that I would not have had otherwise.

Perhaps the greatest benefit that I have drawn from my PAA membership has been the opportunity to edit this column over the past two years. I thoroughly enjoyed “meeting” PAA members throughout the world from the comfort of my desk, and learning about the diversity of the professionals in this field. It has also been a distinct pleasure to work with Peter Brandon, the editor of PAA Affairs, and I am confident that Warren Brown will add his own personal flair to future PAA People columns. I look forward to reading this column for years to come.

Warren: What do you do when you’re not studying population? Do you have any hobbies or interests that you’d like to share with the readers?

Jill: One of my great passions in life is travel, and from my new posting in Kenya I am thrilled to have a chance to explore East Africa. A goal of mine is to visit all of UNESCO’s World Heritage Sites, but with 788 sites on the list, I expect this will keep me occupied for many, many years. I also enjoy reading (mainly about historical or current events), taking walks with my husband, and practicing yoga.

JOBS, JOBS, JOBS
Visit the PAA website, www.popassoc.org, for job announcement updates

Director, Hopkins Population Center

Johns Hopkins University, Bloomberg School of Public Health
Baltimore, Maryland

Applications for the position of Director of the Hopkins Population Center are invited from interested and qualified individuals.

The Hopkins Population Center (HPC) was established in 1971 with a mandate to stimulate and facilitate interdisciplinary population research throughout the Johns Hopkins University. From its inception, the vision underlying the HPC has been the highest quality research, resulting from interactions among scientists from diverse disciplinary backgrounds, aided by a state of the art research infrastructure. The HPC serves more than 50 faculty associates who represent disciplines from Anthropology to Microbiology and who enjoy ever-growing collaborative links with researchers in other institutions in the US and abroad. For more information, see http://www.jhsph.edu/popcenter.

Applicants must have a doctoral degree (PhD, DrPH or MD) from a related social, behavioral, health or medical sciences, with knowledge of demographic or related population studies. The ideal candidate will be able to articulate a strategic direction and areas of scientific growth for the Center and have the skills to pursue them; appreciate the Center’s unique administrative location in a premier School of Public Health; and have demonstrated ability to work with a multidisciplinary community of population scholars. Candidates should have a national and international reputation as a population scholar and leader, a solid research record (ideally including multidisciplinary research), demonstrated ability to secure external research funding, particularly from the National Institutes of Health, demonstrated commitment to mentoring junior researchers, qualify at the rank of professor with tenure, and successful experience with academic administration.

Interested candidates should send their letter of application, curriculum vita and names of three references to A. Tsui, Hopkins Population Center Director Search Committee, Population and Family Health Sciences Department, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, 615 N. Wolfe Street, W4041, Baltimore, Maryland 21205-2179. Submissions by e-mail will be accepted and can be sent to atsui@jhsph.edu.

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. The Johns Hopkins University is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer. Applications from women and minorities are especially encouraged.

Center for Systems Integration and Sustainability, Michigan State University

Michigan State University is establishing a new center of excellence - “Center for Systems Integration and Sustainability”. The goal is to address complex issues related to sustainability through innovative systems integration (i.e., integration of multiple disciplines including both social and natural sciences, such as ecology, human demography, and socioeconomics). Specific objectives are to conduct cutting-edge research on emerging issues
related to ecological sustainability at local, national, and international levels; train new generations of leaders for sustainability research, education, and practice; and disseminate research findings across the globe. Example topics of research include sustainability theory, methods, and applications (e.g., sustainable management of nature reserves as well as ecosystem goods and services); ecological effects of household dynamics; human-environment interactions; coupled human and natural systems; biodiversity conservation; integration of ecology with human demography and socioeconomics; agent-based modeling; and scenario simulation.

The Center invites applications from highly-motivated individuals to fill the following positions and make contributions to achieving a sustainable Earth:

- **Associate Director (Assistant/Associate Professor).** The successful candidate will assist the Director in all aspects of activities, including research, education, outreach, and administration. The position is renewable every five years with recurring funds from the Office of the Provost. The candidates should have a Ph.D. in a relevant field to ecological sustainability (such as ecology, sociology, economics, human demography, remote sensing, geography, and natural resource management), strong research records, experience in outreach, and excellent administrative skills.

- **Academic Specialist.** This position will provide support in computer hardware, software, programming, data analysis, and database management for research and outreach programs. Experience with remote sensing, geographic information systems, and spatial database is required. Master’s Degree with background in computer science (or a related field) with previous natural resources/ecology as well as three to five years of related and progressively more responsible or expansive work experience are preferred.

- **Postdoctoral Associate(s).** Applicants should have Ph.D.s in relevant fields and should be strongly interested in one or more research topics mentioned above.

- **Graduate Student Assistant(s).** Openings are available at the Ph.D. level. Applicants should have strong interests in one or more research topics mentioned above.

Interested individuals should prepare (1) letter of interest, (2) resume, (3) description of professional experiences and goals, and (4) names and contact information of three references. If available, a copy of transcripts, GRE scores, and TOEFL scores (for international applicants) should also be arranged.

Applications will be reviewed starting on January 15, 2005, and will be accepted until the positions are filled.

Please send application materials to:
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517-355-1810 (phone)
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Population Reference Bureau
International Programs Fellowship

**The Population Reference Bureau (PRB)** is accepting applications for its International Programs Fellowship at the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID). The fellowship is for one year, with the option to extend for a second year. The position is full-time and will begin in September 2005. Applicants should have a B.A. or B.S. by June 2005, able to work in the United States, and show dedication to advancing family planning and reproductive health issues and programs in developing countries.

Application materials must be postmarked no later than March 30, 2005.

Please see [http://www.prb.org/Content/NavigationMenu/PRB/AboutPRB/Employment1/Employment](http://www.prb.org/Content/NavigationMenu/PRB/AboutPRB/Employment1/Employment) for more information or contact:
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Celebrating 75 Years, 1929-2004.
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON POSTDOCTORAL POSITION IN DEMOGRAPHY OF AGING

The Center for Demography of Health and Aging (CDHA) at the University of Wisconsin-Madison invites applications for a postdoctoral fellowship in the demography of aging and the life course, funded by the National Institute on Aging. One NIA postdoctoral fellowship will be open as of September 1, 2005. The CDHA program is intended to support and develop the research and professional skills of recent PhDs in sociology, economics, or complementary disciplines and to focus those skills on significant theoretical, methodological, and policy issues in the demography of aging and the life course. The NIA fellow will be encouraged to affiliate with one of the major research projects in the CDHA or in the Center for Demography and Ecology (CDE), among which are the Wisconsin Longitudinal Study (WLS), the National Survey of Families and Households (NSFH), Health, Wellbeing and Aging in Latin America and the Caribbean (SABE), and Puerto Rican Elderly Health Conditions (PREHCO).

CDE and CDHA provide a research and training environment that is strong in collegiality, computing, geographic information analysis, print/data libraries, and administrative services. Faculty affiliates of the centers come from the Departments of Sociology, Economics, Rural Sociology, Social Work, Psychology, History, Preventive Medicine, Statistics, and Child and Family Studies. General support for the Centers is provided by core grants from the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development and from the National Institute of Aging. For more information about the Centers, their research faculty, and current research activities, please visit our website at www.ssc.wisc.edu/cde/ and www.ssc.wisc.edu/cdha/.

Stipend levels for this position are set by NIH. In FY2004, they ranged from $35,568 to $51,036, depending on years of relevant postdoctoral experience. In addition, we expect to provide for travel to professional meetings up to $1,000 annually. Candidates must be citizens or permanent residents of the United States and must have completed all requirements for the doctorate by the time of the initial appointment. To apply, send a vita, a short description of a research project to be conducted at the Center, three letters of recommendation, and copies of publications. Send applications to Robert M. Hauser, Director, Center for Demography of Health and Aging, University of Wisconsin, 1180 Observatory Drive, Madison, Wisconsin 53706-1393 (or inquiries by E-mail to hauser@ssc.wisc.edu). Applications will be reviewed beginning in February 2005 until a selection is made. The University of Wisconsin-Madison is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

CANADIAN POPULATION SOCIETY-JOINT PAA-CPS SPECIAL SESSION

2005 CPS Annual Meetings at the Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Western Ontario, London, June 2 to 4, 2005 (Thursday to Saturday), and announcement of a pre-conference symposium on advanced analytical methods, June 1, 2004 (Wednesday)

The next CPS Annual Meetings will be held at the University of Western Ontario in London, Ontario from Thursday, 2 June, 2005 through Saturday, 4 June, 2005. The theme for these meetings will focus on current demographic topics that have direct policy relevance. In addition to the regular meetings and paper sessions, there will be a guest session that invites submissions from PAA members pertaining to a critical issue in population health policy (session described below). Abstracts (250 word maximum) should be submitted via e-mail to Gunnar Almgren (mukboy@u.washington.edu) by February 1st. Author notification will occur by March 1st.

CPS-PAA Joint Session: Examining Alternative Approaches to Health Care Access: Private, Public or Both.

To an increasing extent, the private health care market is being vetted as a large part of the solution to the ongoing problem of ensuring a reasonable and fiscally sustainable level of access to health care for all segments of the population. Although the U.S. health care system has a well established private market orientation toward health care for the general population, the political viability of private market alternatives to federally sponsored health care programs for the aged and disabled is more recent. Among Western democracies that have long favored public sponsorship of health care, the growing acceptance of a larger private sector presence in health care represents a more fundamental shift in political philosophy. In this session, we seek papers that will contribute to the evidence-based discourse on the relative merits of public and private...
approaches to the sponsorship of health care—hopefully across different national contexts.

Papers that address the effects of private, public, or hybrid approaches to the provision of health care on specific population health outcomes are of particular interest.

Maryland Population Research Center/University of Maryland; Bureau of Labor Statistics/USDOL; Administration for Children and Families and the National Institutes of Health/USDHHS; and Economic Research Service/USDA

Plan to Attend IUSSP Conference in France This Summer

Preparations for the IUSSP XXV International Population Conference that will be held in Tours, France, from 18 to 23 July 2005 are well advanced. The IUSSP expects over 1,400 scholars from different countries to attend. There will be 162 scientific paper sessions and over 500 posters in addition to 16 sessions on the demography of Europe, 4 plenary sessions, 4 skill-building sessions, and a General Assembly meeting of IUSSP members. The preliminary scientific program will be available on the conference website soon and no later than April 15, 2005. (The program will be posted at http://iussp2005.princeton.edu.) The IUSSP plans to post Conference papers on its website and include them in a CD-Rom that will be distributed to participants at the Conference. After April 15, 2005, registration fees increase so register now and book your air travel soon to beat the summer price hikes. Become an IUSSP member and you will pay reduced registration fees. For further information on registration, accommodation, IUSSP membership and other Conference details, please visit the IUSSP Conference website at http://www.iussp.org/France2005/index.php.

American Time Use Survey Early Results Conference, December 8-9, 2005.

Until recently, there has been no official source of general purpose information on how Americans spend their time. The new American Time Use Survey (ATUS) is a time diary study that covers the population age 15 plus. The public use datasets from the 2003 ATUS carry exciting potential for research on a broad range of social and policy topics.

Conference organizers invite researchers to submit paper proposals that include plans for analysis of ATUS data, either alone or in conjunction with other data. Possible paper topics include:

- Parent time with children, including comparisons across family structures
- Time use among the elderly
- Hours of work
- Nonstandard work arrangements
- Measurement of nonmarket work
- Volunteer activity
- Leisure time activities
- Time use among employed mothers
- Time use among the nonemployed
- Time use among working poor families
- Socioeconomic and race-ethnic differences in time use
- Comparisons between ATUS estimates and those from other surveys
- Comparisons between U.S. time use patterns and those in other countries
- Estimates of survey nonresponse on time use estimates

Paper proposals should be one to two pages in length and should be accompanied by a copy of the researcher’s curriculum vitae. Researchers who have not previously worked with time use data are particularly encouraged to submit proposals.

Honoraria will be awarded to authors of papers selected for presentation at the conference. Costs of travel to the conference also will be covered. The deadline for submission of proposals is February 15, 2005. Proposals should be sent to Professor Katharine G. Abraham, Joint Program in Survey Methodology, 1218 LeFrak Hall, University of Maryland, College Park, MD 20742. Interested authors should visit www.atususers.umd.edu for further information.

NIH Director’s Pioneer Award

The National Institutes of Health announces the 2005 NIH Director’s Pioneer Award, a key component of the NIH Roadmap for Medical Research. The award supports scientists of exceptional creativity who propose pioneering approaches to major challenges in biomedical research.

The program is open to scientists at all career levels who are currently engaged in any field of research, interested in exploring biomedically relevant topics, and willing to commit the major portion of their effort to Pioneer Award research. Women, members of groups that are underrepresented in biomedical research and individuals in the early to middle stages of their careers are especially encouraged to apply.
encouraged to nominate themselves. Awardees must be U.S. citizens, non-citizen nationals, or permanent residents.

In September 2005, NIH expects to make 5 to 10 new Pioneer Awards of up to $500,000 in direct costs per year for 5 years. The streamlined self-nomination process includes a 3- to 5-page essay, a biographical sketch, a list of current research support, and the names of 3 references. Submit nominations on the Pioneer Award Web site, http://nihroadmap.nih.gov/pioneer, between March 1 and April 1, 2005. For more information, visit the Pioneer Award Web site or e-mail questions to pioneer@nih.gov.

**On the Frontier of Adulthood: Theory, Research, and Public Policy**

Edited by Frank F. Furstenberg, Jr., Richard A. Settersten Jr., and Rubén G. Rumbaut.

On the Frontier of Adulthood reveals a startling new fact: adulthood no longer begins when adolescence ends. A lengthy period before adulthood, often spanning the twenties and even extending into the thirties, is now devoted to further education, job exploration, experimentation in romantic relationships, and personal development. Pathways into and through adulthood have become much less linear and predictable, and these changes carry tremendous social and cultural significance, especially as institutions and policies aimed at supporting young adults have not kept pace with these changes.

In On the Frontier of Adulthood, Richard A. Settersten Jr., Frank F. Furstenberg Jr., Rubén G. Rumbaut, and a team of distinguished contributors consider the nature and consequences of changes in early adulthood by drawing on a wide variety of historical and contemporary data from the United States, Canada, and Western Europe. Especially dramatic shifts have occurred in the conventional markers of adulthood—leaving home, finishing school, getting a job, getting married, and having children—and in how these experiences are configured as a set. These accounts reveal how the process of becoming an adult has changed over the past century, what the challenges faced by young people today are, and what societies can do to smooth the transition from adolescence to adulthood.

A dramatic summation of how the structure of early adult life has changed in the last century, On the Frontier of Adulthood will be viewed as the definitive source on the subject for years to come.
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*PAA Affairs* is the official newsletter of the Population Association of America. Its purpose is to report to PAA members news of the Association in particular and of the profession in general. Brief news items of interest to people working in the population field may be sent to the Editor (see address at right), who reserve the right to select for inclusion among the items received, and to edit items for publication. Deadlines for submission of items for the quarterly issues are as follows:

- **Spring:** January 15
- **Summer:** May 1
- **Fall:** August 1
- **Winter:** November 1

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**2005 President of PAA:** Charles Hirschman

**Future PAA Meetings**

- 2005 March 31-April 2 Philadelphia, PA; Philadelphia Marriott
- 2006 March 30-April 1 Los Angeles, CA; Westin Bonaventure
- 2007 March 28-31 New York, NY; Marriott Marquis
- 2008 April 17-19 New Orleans, LA; Sheraton New Orleans
- 2009 April 30-May 2 Detroit, MI; Detroit Marriott

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