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# PAA FALL BOARD MEETING 2006

By John Iceland, Secretary-Treasurer

# New Editor of Demography Approved

The PAA Board of Directors met on October 25 in Washington DC, with Alberto Palloni presiding. Among the issues discussed was the PAA Publication Committee's recommendation to approve the application by Kenneth Land (Duke University) to be the next Editor of *Demography* for the period 2008 to 2011. The PAA Board unanimously passed the motion.

## **Budget News**

The Finance Committee and Secretary-Treasurer presented an improved short-term budget outlook for the PAA. In particular, the PAA is projecting a surplus of \$33,558 in 2007, compared with a deficit of \$2,997 in the 2006 approved budget. The surplus, which represents 4.3 percent of PAA's operating budget, is mainly due to a large increase in Restricted Foundation Funds—and in particular to the PAA's receipt of a 3-year \$400,000 grant from the Hewlett foundation (described in more detail below). Also of note, the budget projects increases in revenue from electronic publishing royalties and annual meeting income. However, the PAA budget also projects increases in expenses on the annual meeting and on PAA management software (which is in the process of being upgraded), as well as moderate increases in payroll and public affairs program expenses.

## The President's Report

President Palloni provided an update on an effort to upgrade the PAA website and PAA membership databases. This project arose from the Board's interest in providing on-line payment options to PAA members and improving PAA database capabilities. This project is still underway, with a PAA subcommittee examining alternative methods to attain the desired technical improvements. The committee will update the Board at the Spring 2007 meeting.

President Palloni also presented an update on foundation funding. He described how the Hewlett Foundation has awarded the PAA a three-year, \$400,000 general operating support grant. The funds are for travel awards for scholars from developing countries, with an emphasis on African scholars, outreach to developing countries' population associations, and administrative costs for international efforts, including public affairs and PAA website modifications.

In addition, the PAA received a one-year \$25,000 organizational development grant from the David and Lucile Packard Foundation. These funds are earmarked for preparing fundraising materials, exploring different avenues of PAA fundraising, formulating a work plan, identifying foundation and other support for PAA projects, and reviewing development functions of other professional associations. A comprehensive final report is due at the end of the grant period.

#### 2007 Annual Meeting

President-elect Barbara Entwisle presented an update on the preparations for the 2007 Annual Meeting. Counting double submissions as a single paper, a record 2,083 separate papers have been submitted. This figure does not include invited sessions. There was a brief discussion regarding an increase in the number of sessions and poster presentations in the relation to the hotel space, and whether the association might consider using more than one hotel to house the annual meeting. Future annual meeting sites will be discussed at the Spring meeting.

# **Public Affairs Report**

The Public Affairs Report noted that the Senate passed the Fiscal Year 2007 Appropriations bill that would fund most federal agencies at the Fiscal Year 2006 levels through November 17. Congressional budget deliberations are likely to continue sometime after the midterm elections.

More generally, the Public Affairs Committee has continued to be very active and effective in promoting the importance of demographic research on Capitol Hill. For a full report on the Committee's activities and Congressional appropriations, see: www.popassoc.org/PublicAffairsCommittee.html

## PAA Membership Committee

Joseph Potter, Chair of the PAA Membership Committee, reported on four issues on the Committee's agenda:

- Permitting people to join the PAA for multiple years at a time. This recommendation was previously approved by the PAA Board. Stephanie Dudley of the PAA Office reported that the necessary technical requirements have recently been implemented, and she anticipates that a twoyear membership option will be available beginning with the December 2006 renewal notices.
- Allowing on-line membership renewal. This recommendation was also previously approved by the PAA Board. Its implementation, however, is still pending PAA management software and web page updates, which will not occur until sometime in late 2007 at the earliest.
- Reducing membership costs to members living in low-income countries. After some discussion, the Board passed a motion to reduce the annual regular member fee for residents of low-income countries (as defined by the IUSSP) to \$35, which would entitle members to electronic access to Demography and PAA Affairs, as well as all other rights of membership. Not eligible for the reduced rate are applicants in low income countries whose dues are paid by a PAA travel award, a grant, or who receive an "international" salary. This reduced fee offer will expire in three years (2009).
- Continuing the mentorship lunch. The 2006 meeting marked the third Mentoring Lunch. PAA Membership Committee member, and luncheon coordinator, Wendy Manning, reported it was a tremendous success. The luncheon, held on

Thursday during the annual meeting, is officially sponsored by the PAA Board of Directors and organized by the PAA Membership Committee. There was discussion about attracting additional luncheon participants by reducing the meal costs. The exorbitant hotel meal costs expected at the 2007 meeting in New York were noted. Thus, the PAA Board approved a motion granting \$2,000 to defray attendees' meal costs for the 2007 Career Mentoring Lunch.

#### International Outreach

President Palloni discussed the report of the International Outreach Committee (IOC), on behalf of John Casterline and Rebeca Wong, Co-Chairs. He described increased PAA efforts to develop partnerships with developing country population associations. The IOC envisions partnerships that initially focus on the annual (or biennial) conferences: for example, sessions organized by one association for the conference program of a partner association. The Committee is exploring alternative ways of enhancing funding for IOC activities.

#### **Farewells**

The PAA Officers wish to thank outgoing Past President Charlie Hirschman, Vice President Kathleen Mullan Harris, and Board members Alaka Basu, Barbara Mensch, Jere Behrman and Joseph Potter whose terms end December 31, 2006, for their outstanding service to the PAA.

# **PUBLIC AFFAIRS**

# **Status of Appropriations**

On September 29, the Senate passed H.R. 5631, the Fiscal Year 2007 Defense Appropriations bill, which the President signed into law the same day. The bill included language funding most federal agencies at the Fiscal Year 2006 levels through November 17. Congressional leaders have agreed to take up most other appropriations bills during a lame-duck session after the November 7 elections. The pundits predict the most likely outcome is an omnibus appropriations bill that will encompass all remaining appropriations bills. The below table summarizes the House and Senate recommended levels of funding for agencies important to the Population Association of America (PAA). Select members of the House and Senate Appropriations Committee will negotiate final funding levels during the upcoming lame duck session.

#### **FY 2007 Appropriations**

	(\$Millions)	
Agency / Institute	House	Senate
National Institutes of Health	\$28.3	\$28.5
National Institute on Agi ng	\$1.03	\$1.04
National Institute of Child Health and Human Development	\$1.25	\$1.26
National Center for Health Statistics	\$109	\$109
National Science Foundation	\$6.02	\$5.99
Census Bureau	\$815	\$828
USAID Child Survival/Maternal Health	\$350	\$465

# Fiscal Year 2007 Appropriations: Highlights

# National Institutes of Health

On June 20, 2006, the House Appropriations Committee completed its mark-up of the FY 2007 Labor, HHS appropriations bill. The Committee recommended funding NIH at \$28.3 billion, slightly above last year's level and equal to the President's budget request. In the Senate committee action, NIH received \$220.8 million above the FY 2006 appropriation and \$220.7 million over the President's request.

In reports accompanying both the House and Senate Fiscal Year 2007 Labor, Health and Human Services Appropriations bills, the Appropriations Committees included language praising demographic research programs at the National Institute on Aging (NIA) and the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD). Specifically, the Committees commended NIA for supporting "exceptional" demographic and economic research on the implications of population aging and praised its efforts to proactively review its data collection activities. The Committees also congratulated NICHD for supporting an "impressive" demographic research portfolio and encouraged the Institute to support demographic research training programs and largescale databases, such as the National Longitudinal Study of Adolescent Health.

As part of the final Fiscal Year 2007 spending bill, Congress will need to decide the future of the National Children's Study (NCS). Although the Administration has recommended canceling the study in FY 2007, the House of Representatives has instructed NICHD to dedicate \$69 million from within funds provided to continue the NCS. The Senate Appropriations Committee, however, has recommended funding for the NCS should come from the office of the NIH Director. While action on the fiscal year 2007 appropriation is in process, Study planners will continue to work toward completion of the protocol, and will work with the Vanguard Centers to establish infrastructure to support the Study, such as developing the information management system and ethics guidelines, and plans for recruitment and retention.

# National Center for Health Statistics

In the House and Senate Labor, HHS appropriations bill reports, the Committees praised the National Center for Health Statistics for fulfilling its mission as the nation's premiere health statistics agency and for ensuring the credibility and integrity of its data it produces. The Committee also asked the agency to continue making information accessible to the public as soon as possible. Both chambers recommended funding NCHS at the president's FY 2007 request.

#### Census Bureau

As members of the Census Project, PAA continues to express its support for funding the Census Bureau at the highest possible level in Fiscal Year 2007. The levels of funding recommended by the House and Senate are lower than the Administration's request, and as a result, threaten the agency's future plans to use GPS-equipped hand-held computers, to include group quarters in the American Community Survey, and to implement new initiatives to reduce undercounts and overcounts in the 2010 census. On October 16, the PAA joined other Census

Project members and signed onto a letter asking members of the Senate and House Appropriations Committees to increase funding for the Bureau in the final FY 2007 appropriations bill. This letter is posted at: www.thecensusproject.org.

# National Institutes of Health Reform Act of 2006

On September 26, the House of Representatives passed HR 6164, the National Institutes of Health (NIH) Reform Act of 2006, under suspension of the rules—an expedited procedure for non-controversial measures. Several large organizations, including the American Association of Medical Colleges, American Heart Association, and Association of American Universities, supported its passage.

The bill authorizes funding for the NIH for a three-year period and recommends increasing the funding level by 5% every year beginning in Fiscal Year 2007. The bill creates a new, comprehensive electronic reporting system that will catalogue all of the research activities of the NIH in a standardized format. The bill also eliminates a number of reports and creates a new biennial report to Congress on NIH research activities, advances, and future plans. In a report accompanying the bill, the House Energy and Commerce Committee included language requiring the NIH Director to report on population research activities and advances as part of the new biennial report.

With respect to research, the bill establishes a "common fund," which will grow to 5% of the total NIH budget, to provide a permanent funding mechanism for trans-NIH research projects. Until the fund reaches 5%, half of any new money appropriated to the NIH will go into the common fund. Trans-NIH research projects will be identified through the new Division of Program Coordination, Planning, and Strategic Initiatives and approved by a new advisory body, the Council of Councils. The Division would replace the newly created Office of Portfolio Analysis and Strategic Initiatives.

Rather than creating or eliminating Institutes or Centers (ICs), the bill maintains the current number of ICs while establishing a process for reviewing the structure of the agency every seven years. The process will allow for public input and medical research and patient organizations will be represented on the Scientific Management Review Board, which will be responsible for conducting the periodic reviews.

During the upcoming lame duck session, the Senate may consider HR 6164—especially if the Republicans maintain control of Congress after the elections. However, thus far, the Senate has not expressed an interest in considering the NIH Reform Act. There is still a chance, however, the bill could become law.

# **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, Cornell University. In this issue Warren interviews **Kenneth Johnson**, Professor of Sociology at Loyola University-Chicago.

# Warren: How did you become interested in population issues?

Ken: Like most demographers, I am a data junkie. As an undergraduate at the University of Michigan, I did a research paper examining demographic trends in Chicago Census tracts. In retrospect, it was a pretty ambitious project for an undergrad with one statistics course. I analyzed my data crowded between engineering students learning FORTRAN in the computer center. I loved every minute of it. I then spent a summer working at ICPSR, a data junkie's dream job.

My fascination with census data continued at UNC-Chapel Hill. I planned to do my dissertation on the impact of population loss on rural counties. It seemed a safe bet, rural America had experienced massive outmigration for decades. Right in the midst of my research my dissertation director, Amos Hawley, handed me Calvin Beale's earliest report on the rural turnaround. It showed rural areas were growing faster than urban areas for the first time in 150 years—so much for my dissertation topic. Instead, I studied the impact of population growth and decline on rural America. I have been studying population redistribution trends ever since.

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

Ken: I am a Professor at Loyola University in Chicago. I teach courses in demography, research methods and statistics at both the graduate and undergraduate level. My research focuses on population redistribution trends in rural and urban America, and on demographic trends in high amenity areas. It has been funded by grants from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the Economic Research Service and the National Forest Service. I am currently working on a project to estimate migration potential based on the proximity of population concentrations. I'm also doing research to estimate the likelihood of migration to high amenity rural counties proximate to metropolitan areas and its implications for the natural environment. I also talk to the media frequently.

Warren: How long have you been a member of PAA and what benefits do you draw from your membership?

Ken: I joined PAA in 1979. The greatest benefit of being a member is the many friends I have made. Because I am the only demographer at my university, I need to look elsewhere for colleagues to talk to and do research with. Most of them I have met at PAA meetings.

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?

Ken: My wife, Brenda, and I have two sons. When they were growing up, they were my hobby (I still have a pile of soccer coaching shirts to prove it). We also have a cottage in Wisconsin, where we spend as much time as we can. My hobby is model railroading. I've only met one other demographer who shares that interest. We once spent a day discussing new data at the Census Bureau and then checked out his model railroad in the evening—data and trains, what could be better?

# **CALL FOR NOMINATIONS**

#### DOROTHY S. THOMAS AWARD

Pre or postdoctoral students are invited to submit papers for the 2007 Dorothy S. Thomas Award competition. The Award has been established by the Population Association of America (PAA) in honor of Dorothy S. Thomas and is presented annually for the best graduate student paper on the interrelationships among social, economic and demographic variables. The Award consists of a cash prize and a certificate, presented at the PAA Annual Meeting in New York on March 30, 2007.

Eligibility: The research must be undertaken while the author is a pre-doctoral student in an accredited graduate program. The paper must have both theoretical and empirical aspects. Two or more students may share the award for a collaborative study, but a paper jointly authored by a student and a member of the graduate faculty is not eligible. An individual is eligible for one year following completion of study. Published papers are acceptable. Recipients of the Ph.D. prior to December 1, 2005 and previous winners of the Award are not eligible.

Length: The paper cannot exceed 35 pages, including double spaced text, tables, figures, footnotes, references and appendices. Papers that exceed this page limit will not be considered.

Submission Procedures: The deadline for receipt of submission is January 5, 2007. The student should mail six copies of the paper and a letter from their research advisor confirming eligibility to: Pamela Smock, Chair, University of Michigan, Population Studies Center, 426 Thompson Street, Ann Arbor, MI Phone: 734.763.2264: 48106-1248. Fax: 734.763.1428; Email: pjsmock@umich.edu. Do not email paper submissions. Other members of the committee are Sara Curran (University Washington), Patrick Heuveline (University of Chicago), Grace Kao (University of Pennsylvania), Robert D. Plotnick (University of Washington), Insan Tunali (Koc University). The Committee reserves the right to withhold the Award if it decides that no suitable paper was submitted.

# OLIVIA SCHIEFFELIN NORDBERG AWARD

The Olivia Schieffelin Nordberg Award for excellence in writing and editing in the population sciences was created by her colleagues, friends, and family to commemorate Olivia Schieffelin Nordberg (1942-1996), who played a leading role in information dissemination on international population issues over three decades as an editor, writer, and director of publications. The award is conferred on an individual for one of the following achievements: 1) written work in the field of population that combines exceptional scholarship with clear exposition in a style that is both accessible and appealing to a broad readership; or 2) a record of excellence in editing technical material on population to make it accessible to varied audiences, by improving the clarity of style and organization and facilitating the full development of content. The recipients of previous awards are Andrew J. Cherlin, Joel Cohen, Paul Demeny, Nancy Folbre, Eugene Grebenik, Nathan Keyfitz, and Felicia Stewart. The \$5,000 award, given every two years, is conferred at a reception at the Population Council. The recipient is invited to make a brief substantive presentation on a topic of his or her choosing. The next award will be made in April 2007. Nominations may be submitted by individuals or organizations and should include the name, professional or home mailing address, present occupational title, and institutional affiliation of the nominee; a brief statement of the individual's contributions in the population field; and evidence of contributions (for writer, cite one to three articles or other publications; for editor, identify sample publications). Send nomination by e-mail by March 1, 2007 to OSNAward@popcouncil.org.

#### ROBERT J. LAPHAM AWARD

Nominations are invited for the Robert J. Lapham Award to be presented on March 30, 2007, at the PAA Annual Meeting in New York. The Robert J. Lapham Award recognizes members of PAA who contributed to the population profession through the application of demographic knowledge to policy issues. The recipient does not have to be a member of the Association. The award consists of a certificate and a cash prize.

Robert J. Lapham contributed to the population profession in numerous ways. His original research and his direction of the Demographic and Health Surveys Project advanced our knowledge of population processes. He helped formulate population policy through his work at the Population Council and with the National Academy of Sciences' Committee on Population. He strengthened the profession through his service as Secretary-Treasurer of the PAA. In recognition of these contributions and as a way of promoting his professional interests, the Lapham family established the Robert J. Lapham Award to recognize others who have made similar contributions.

The award is given biennially to individuals who have distinguished themselves by their achievements in the following areas: contributions to population research, applications of demographic knowledge to improve the human condition, and service to the population profession.

Such contributions may be original research or efforts that increase our knowledge of population processes by enabling others to conduct research. Examples of the latter would be directing population surveys, creating a statistical system, or administering a program to facilitate demographic research. Applications of population knowledge to improve the human condition may be contributions to public policy, education, or program development. Service to the population profession may be building institutions within the profession, or service that advances the interests of the profession.

The name of the nominee, a brief description of his or her contributions, and a copy of the nominee's vitae should be sent, no later than January 31, 2007 to: Frank Mott, Co-Chair, 198 North Roosevelt Avenue, 43209; 614.442.7378; Columbus. ОН 614.442.7329; email: mott.1@osu.edu, or Steven Ruggles, Co-Chair, University of Minnesota, Department of History, 50 Willey Hall, Minneapolis, MN 55455; 612.624.4081; fax: 612.624.7096; ruggles@umn.edu. Committee members: William bbutz@prb.org; John Hobcraft. jh511@york.ac.uk; Robert Mare, mare@ucla.edu; Robert Michael, rmichael@uchicago.edu; Joseph Potter, joe@prc.utexas.edu; Mary Beth Weinberger, weinberger@un.org.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# **Lunch with PAA Colleagues:**

# Early Career Mentoring Beyond the PhD and the Post-doc

Thursday, March 29, 2007, 12:30 - 1:30 pm, New York Marriott Marquis Hotel

Sponsored by: The PAA Membership Committee and the Association of Population Centers

Are you a new Ph.D., Post-doc or junior faculty member? Would you like to talk with other young professionals and more senior mentors to discuss career planning, professional opportunities, how to find appropriate mentors and collaborators, strategies for balancing research, publication, teaching, administrative duties, and other work and non-work commitments? Come join the 4th annual career mentoring lunch where you will meet distinguished colleagues and widen your professional networks in an informal setting. Look for the "Lunch with Colleagues and Mentors" announcement on the PAA website annual meeting page, www.popassoc.org/meetings.html, and sign-up to participate.

# Data Workshop on the Three-City Study at the **PAA Annual Meeting**

Wednesday, March 28, 2007, 1-4 p.m., Location TBA

This workshop will introduce interested researchers to the Three-City Study, a three-wave longitudinal study of low-income families and children in the postwelfare reform era. The study has followed about 2400 families in Boston, Chicago, and San Antonio since 1999, including a six-year follow-up wave completed in 2005. The data from all three survey waves will be available for public use on July 1, 2007. The surveys include information on families' employment histories, income, and use of TANF, public health insurance, and other needs-based programs, as well as detailed measures of children's well-being and family functioning. We will discuss the study design and sampling frame, the content of the study, research questions to which the study is well-suited, and issues that users should bear in mind when working with longitudinal data. This workshop will be of interest to studying poverty, researchers family. development, welfare reform, women's labor force participation and income, and/or neighborhood ecology. Registered participants may suggest in advance of the workshop specific research questions

or topics they would like to discuss. For more information on the study, visit www.threecitystudy.jhu.edu. To register, send an email including your name and contact information to 3 city study@jhu.edu

# The 27<sup>th</sup> Annual International Symposium on Forecasting

June 24-27, 2007, Marriott Marquis Times Square, New York City

The theme of ISF2007 is financial forecasting in a global economy. The objectives are to facilitate the dissemination of knowledge of new developments in forecasting techniques and evaluation, and to promote discussion of ideas on forecasting among academicians and practitioners from a diverse range of fields, including Economics, Finance, Statistics, Demography, Public Policy, Climate Environment, Information Systems, Psychology, Energy and Business. In addition, the conference will include a number of keynote and featured speakers. Deadline for electronic submission of abstracts is March 2, 2007. For more information, visit www.forecasters.org/isf.

# **CALL FOR PAPERS**

# Conference on Disaster and Migration Call for Papers: Hurricane Katrina's effects on New **Orleans' Population**

The U.S. experienced one of the largest mass migrations in recent history as hundreds of thousands of people left the Gulf Coast before and after Hurricane Katrina struck on August 29, 2005. This exodus distributed New Orleanians across the United States and constituted the first of a series of migrations. Two distinct migration flows into the city occurred in the weeks and months after the city was reopened. Displaced New Orleanians returned to the city in proportion to the damage their homes and neighborhoods suffered. Consequently, the city became more affluent, whiter, and older. In addition an unknown number of newcomers arrived in the city to clean up and rebuild. Many of these new arrivals were foreign-born, mostly Latino migrants, drawn by the promise of high wages and plentiful work. The concentrated period of depopulation and repopulation

of New Orleans and the concurrent racial, ethnic, and class-based shifts in the social terrain are the focus of this conference on disaster and migration.

The conference will bring together scholars contributing to a social scientific understanding of disaster and migration either through theoretical analyses or empirical research. The conference will be divided into four topics: 1) theoretical perspectives on migration and disaster; 2) research on the social process of evacuation; 3) the returnees and the displaced; and 4) international migrants and newcomers. Submissions should be directly related to or shed light on the social transformations that have occurred in New Orleans or the Gulf South since Hurricane Katrina struck on August 29, 2005. It is understood that the papers are drafts of work that may still be underway but that will be ready for presentation at the conference. Authors of accepted papers will be invited to participate in the conference in New Orleans on April 12-14, 2007. Travel expenses will be paid by the conference sponsors.

#### Timeline:

December 20, 2006: Deadline for receipt of papers January 30, 2007: Acceptance of papers April 12-14, 2007: Conference on Disaster and Migration at Tulane University

Submit proposals to: Elizabeth Fussell, Sociology Department, Tulane University, 220 Newcomb Hall, New Orleans, Louisiana, 70118-5698. Direct inquiries to: Elizabeth Fussell at efussell@tulane.edu or Jim Elliott at elliott@uoregon.edu.

See our website for updates on the conference: www.tulane.edu/~sociol/disaster\_migration.html.

# JOBS, JOBS, JOBS

# The University of Texas at San Antonio: Associate/Full Professor of Demography

One opening in applied demography beginning Fall of 2007. Preferred areas of specialization are: applied demography, demographic methods, population estimation and projection, health, or mortality. Appointment will be a joint appointment in the Department of Demography and Organization Studies in the College of Public Policy, where the appointee

will hold tenure and rank, and the Institute for Demographic and Socioeconomic Research (IDSER). The appointee will be expected to play a major role in research and resource development in both the Department and the Institute and teach one or two courses per semester in the Ph.D. program in Applied Demography.

General Faculty Responsibilities include: teaching doctoral and master's courses; scholarly research and publication; acquisition of external funding; and university and professional service required.

General information about the Department of Demography and the IDSER can be obtained online at <a href="http://utsa.edu/copp/">http://utsa.edu/copp/</a>. The salary and supporting start-up package are competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience. This position is subject to budgetary approval.

# **Required qualifications:**

At the Associate Professor level are a Ph.D. with a specialization in demography, an established research record in the area of applied demography with a significant number of publications in appropriate refereed journals, a record of extramural funding, evidence of successful professional activities in applied settings, and a record of successful college level teaching at the undergraduate and graduate levels.

At the Full Professor level are a Ph.D. with a specialization in demography with an emphasis in applied demography; the ability to significantly contribute to the development of the Institute and to the degree program in Applied Demography; an outstanding record of scholarly and applied research publications in appropriate refereed journals and other published volumes indicating national prominence; a strong record of acquisition of extramural funding; and a record of superior teaching and mentoring at the undergraduate and graduate levels.

**CONTACT:** Applicants must submit a letter of application indicating desired rank, a curriculum vita, a sample of recent research, and three letters of reference. Applications must be sent as hardcopy by U.S. Mail to: Dr. Steve Murdock, Search Committee Chair, Institute for Demographic and Socioeconomic Research, The University of Texas at San Antonio, One UTSA Circle, San Antonio, Texas 78249-0704,

PHONE (210) 458-6530. Applicants who are not U.S. citizens must state their current visa and residency status. A review of completed applications begins December 15, 2006, and applications are accepted until the position is filled.

# The Center for Research on Child Wellbeing (CRCW) at Princeton University: Postdoctoral **Research Associate**

The Center for Research on Child Wellbeing (CRCW) at Princeton University, affiliated with the Woodrow Wilson School and the Office of Population Research, is offering highly competitive postdoctoral Research Associate positions to individuals with documented interest in the study of children and families and in interdisciplinary collaborations. Postdocs will participate in all of the Center's activities, including student-faculty seminars, workshops, and public lectures. Appointments are for one year with the possibility of renewal.

CRCW conducts research on children's health, education, income, and family structure. Postdocs work with a distinguished and diverse group of faculty at Princeton University and Columbia University. The two main initiatives include the Fragile Families and Child Wellbeing Study and the Future of Children project.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Postdocs are expected to have outstanding potential and be self-motivated, goal oriented and capable of successfully communicating ideas to diverse audiences. They must also be able to build on existing strengths, bridge different fields, and be motivated to work with faculty on complex projects. Preference will be given to candidates that have obtained the Ph.D. less than two years ago.

Applicants should send a cover letter describing areas of interest, graduate training, relevant background and possible fit within the center. Please include a complete CV, letters of recommendation sent under separate cover, and the names, e-mails and phone numbers of three references. All materials should be submitted by email to: kemerson@princeton.edu, or by mail to: Kris Emerson, Wallace Hall, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ 08544. Princeton University is an equal opportunity, affirmative action employer. For information about applying to Princeton, please link to http://web.princeton.edu/sites/dof/ApplicantsInfo.htm.

We are now accepting applications for the 2007 - 2008 academic year. We consider all filings until January 31, 2007. Decisions are made in the Spring of 2007, and you will be contacted if we need anything further.

# Pennsylvania State University: Postdoctoral Position in Family Demography and Individual Development

The Population Research Institute at Penn State announces an opening for an NICHD-funded postdoctoral fellow in Family Demography and Individual Development, starting September 1, 2007. Applicants must have a Ph.D. in demography, family studies, or a related social science discipline by the starting date. A strong background in quantitative analysis of social science data is desirable. The training program is oriented toward a postdoctoral research apprenticeship in two areas: 1) family demography, and 2) life course development processes and outcomes. We seek trainees with either 1) training in demography who wish to broaden their disciplinary base by acquiring substantive expertise in individual development throughout the life course, or 2) a disciplinary background in individual development who seek to acquire the perspective, tools and techniques of demography. The interface of family demography and individual development science is an area of particular strength among Population Research Institute faculty associates.

Selection will be based on research scholarly potential and compatibility with the interests of a faculty mentor. A postdoctoral fellow devotes most of his/her time to research collaborations with a faculty mentor and independent research and research grant proposal writing, but also audit selected courses to broaden disciplinary expertise. Fellowships are for one year, renewable for a second. Candidates must be U.S. citizens (or Permanent Residents) at the time of application. Screening of applications will begin on January 26, 2007 and continue until the position is filled. Send letter of application; curriculum vitae; a 3-4 page statement including 1) research interests, 2) study proposal, 3) proposed pos-doctoral faculty mentor at Penn State, and 4) career plan; examples of written work, and three separately sent letters of recommendation to: Gordon F. De Jong (in care of Sherry Yocum), Population Research Institute, 601 Oswald Tower, Pennsylvania State University, University Park. 16802, PA or e-mail kzimmer@pop.psu.edu.

Penn State is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer. For more information about the Population Research Institute research and training programs see: http://www.pop.psu.edu.

to: HR-DCNAR@realtors.org. Please include "Senior Research Analyst" in subject line. No phone calls, please. EOE M/F/V/H.

# **Senior Research Analyst**

The NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS™, America's largest trade and professional association, seeks a professional to perform statistical research and analysis for the real estate industry.

The Senior Research Analyst is responsible for independently managing a portfolio of survey activities to produce reports marketed to members and external clients. The position primarily involves planning and execution of survey projects including: coordination/oversight of survey questionnaire design, data analysis, planning and writing report planning and writings and production of custom reports. S/He will contribute to design and development of new survey-based revenue generating products that address client needs. Further, the Senior Research Analyst contributes to white papers, reports, and other policy analyses and participates in association work groups as needed.

# **Requirements:**

- Bachelor's degree in economics, statistics, or related field; advanced degree desired
- Experience accessing and analyzing economic, financial, real estate, and survey data
- Intermediate level knowledge of Statistics
- Experience working with moderate to large databases
- Proficiency with statistical software package (e.g. SPSS)
- Ability to manage multiple tasks and meet critical deadlines
- Strong writing skills

# **Desired:**

- Experience conducting survey research
- Experience in a consulting or association environment

NAR offers a collegial, supportive, quality-driven team, a substantial compensation and benefits package, on-site amenities, and a convenient Union Station/Capitol Hill location. For confidential consideration, send resume and salary requirements (only candidates who provide salary requirements will be considered) by email

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#### **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!**

PAA would like to welcome 113 new members since August 1, 2006. Current membership now stands at 2,838.

# HISTORY IN THE MAKING



Pictured: PAA's representation in the Census Advisory Committee of Professional Associations outside of the main entrance of the soon-to-be-demolished "old" building that housed the US Census Bureau in Suitland, MD. The Census Bureau dedicated its new building on Thursday, 26 Oct 06. The photo was taken at the conclusion of Committee's regular fall meeting (26-27 October 2006).

Front Row: Linda Gage, California Department of Finance; Judith Treas, University of California-Irvine; David Swanson, University of Mississippi; Yu Xie, University of Michigan.

Back row: Carl Schmertmann, Florida State University; Joe Salvo, New York City Department of Planning; Dudley Poston, Texas A&M; Gillian Stevens, University of Illinois

Not present: Richard Alba, University at Albany, SUNY

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

#### 2006 President of PAA: Alberto Palloni

# **Future PAA Meetings**

2007

2008	April 17-19 New Orleans, LA; Sheraton New
	Orleans
2009	April 30-May 2 Detroit, MI; Detroit Marriott
2010	April 15-17 Dallas, TX; Hyatt Regency Dallas
2011	March 31-April 2 Washington, DC; Marriott
	Wardman Park

March 29-31 New York, NY: Marriott Marquis

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