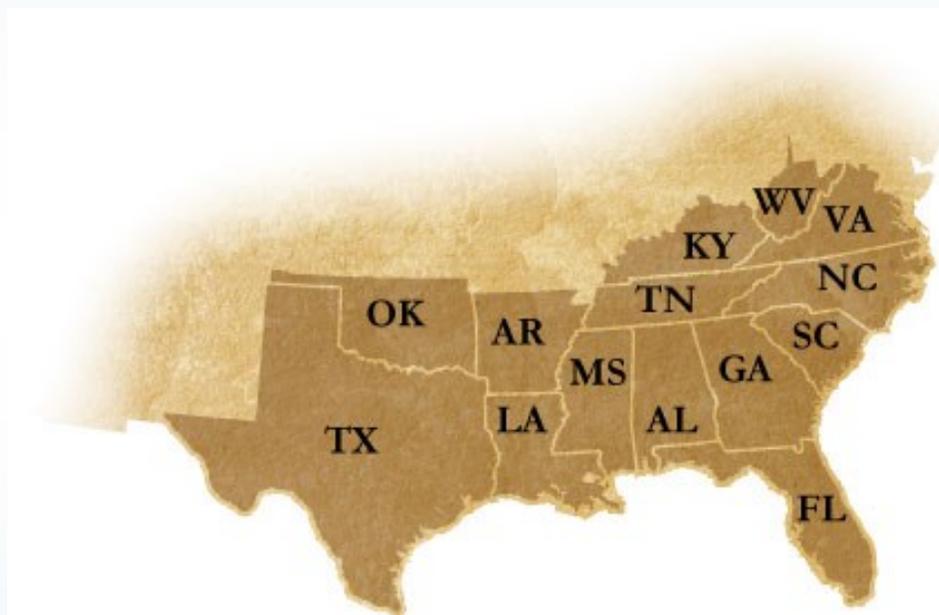


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SDA 2014 is drawing near!

October 15-17, 2014
Peabody Hotel
Memphis, Tennessee



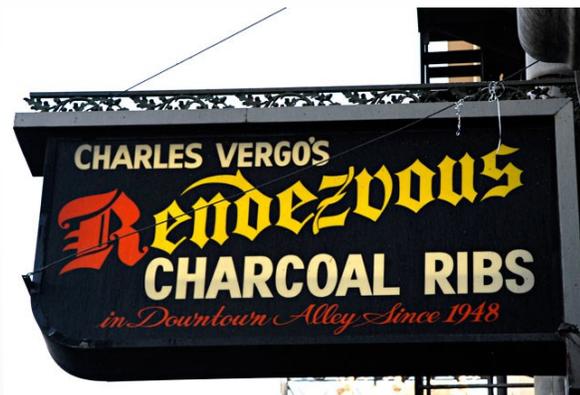
The 2014 annual meeting of the Southern Demographic Association is rapidly approaching! I just wanted to take this opportunity to make everyone aware of a few special events.

Wednesday, 10/15 will be our annual welcome reception from 7-9 PM on the Peabody's rooftop bar, a beautiful setting as long as the weather cooperates!

Thursday, 10/16 is highlighted by our featured lunch speaker Dr. Patty Mabry, Senior Advisor for Disease Prevention at NIH. Thursday evening is our group dinner at the world famous Rendezvous restaurant. The Rendezvous is the most popular barbeque restaurant in the best barbeque city in America.

Friday, 10/17, is highlighted by our second featured lunch speaker Dr. Steve Ruggles. Dr. Ruggles is the Director of the Minnesota Population Center at the University of Minnesota.

I am excited about these events and all of the great paper and poster presentations that will be happening as well!



SDA PAPER AWARDS

The SDA makes awards for the following types of papers presented at the annual meeting:

Everett S. Lee Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award



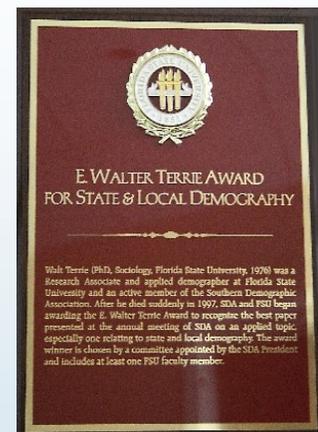
SDA presents an award for the best *graduate student* paper delivered at the annual meeting. The winning student receives a cash prize and a certificate, both of which are presented at the annual business meeting. Please send your complete paper in electronic format to studentawards@sda-demography.org by September 1, 2014.

Outstanding Undergraduate Student Paper Award

SDA presents a cash prize and a certificate for the best *undergraduate paper* presented at the conference. The award is given at the annual business meeting. Please send your complete paper, in electronic format, to studentawards@sda-demography.org by September 1, 2014.

E. Walter Terrie Award for State and Local Demography

Walt Terrie was a faculty member and applied demographer at Florida State University and an active member of the Southern Demographic Association. After he died suddenly in 1997, SDA and FSU began awarding the Walt Terrie Award to recognize the “best paper presented at the SDA Annual Meeting on an applied topic, especially one relating to state and local demography.” The award is chosen by a committee appointed by the SDA President and including at least one FSU faculty member. For consideration for the E. Walter Terrie Award, email your submission to Isaac W. Eberstein at ieberstn@fsu.edu no later than October 1, 2014. Submissions for the award should only be made after the paper has been submitted for program consideration through the SDA website http://sda-demography.org/SDA2014_meeting.php. The Terrie Award consists of a \$400 cash prize and an appropriate certificate.



IMPORTANT: Submission of a paper for one of these awards should only be made after the paper has been submitted for program consideration through the SDA website: http://sda-demography.org/SDA2014_meeting.php.

SUMMER 2014 PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

If you are conducting research, supervising graduate students or teaching a research methods class, the following sea change in how research is documented will be of interest to you. External entities such as funding agencies, peer-reviewed publications and archives (e.g., ICPSR) are making greater demands on researchers.

Social scientists must respond to the new transparent, replicable, open research environment. There are two major shifts in research protocol that social scientists must adapt to. First, social science disciplines are moving from peer-review acceptance to replication of research results. Second, to support that replication prior to publication, scientists must now share data in sufficient detail to allow replications. The natural extension of this data documentation affects archiving, which is fundamental to data sharing. In short, sufficient documentation facilitates research replication and widespread data sharing. Sufficient documentation is achieved through adequate on-going data management during the project life cycle.

While replication of research findings is common practice in the physical sciences this requirement is new to many social science disciplines. The change was initially focused on policy recommendations based on economic research. Researchers were unable to replicate peer-reviewed and published findings in a number of economic journals (McCullough & McKittrick, 2009, McKittrick & McCullough, 2009). This was despite the fact that economic journals such as the *Journal of Applied Econometrics*, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis *Review* and the *Journal of Money, Credit and Banking* had begun to require authors to provide both the data sets and statistical scripts necessary to replicate the findings presented in their manuscript. Of course this lack of replication is not limited to economic policy research. The findings of the “Harvard six cities study” (Dockery, Pope, et al., 1993) were used by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to revise fine particle emissions standards. The underlying data was never shared publicly. A subsequent replication study severely weakened the original study’s conclusions and, by inference, the EPA air pollution policy changes that resulted (Heuss & Wolff, 2006).

To facilitate replication of research results and data sharing, it is not sufficient to share the raw data. At one level, data sharing (archiving) requires a relatively high degree of documentation including metadata and a data dictionary. At a higher level, replication requires not only the raw data and documentation but also data transformation (statistical) scripts and a detailed description of how and why the data was transformed.

These requirements for replication and archiving will also demand a modification in research culture. Through our own efforts (i.e., leading by example), and through our class and lab instruction, we can respond to this shift in research protocol. Our discipline must evolve to remain viable. Responding early and quickly to this sea change will benefit researchers, students and end users of our findings.

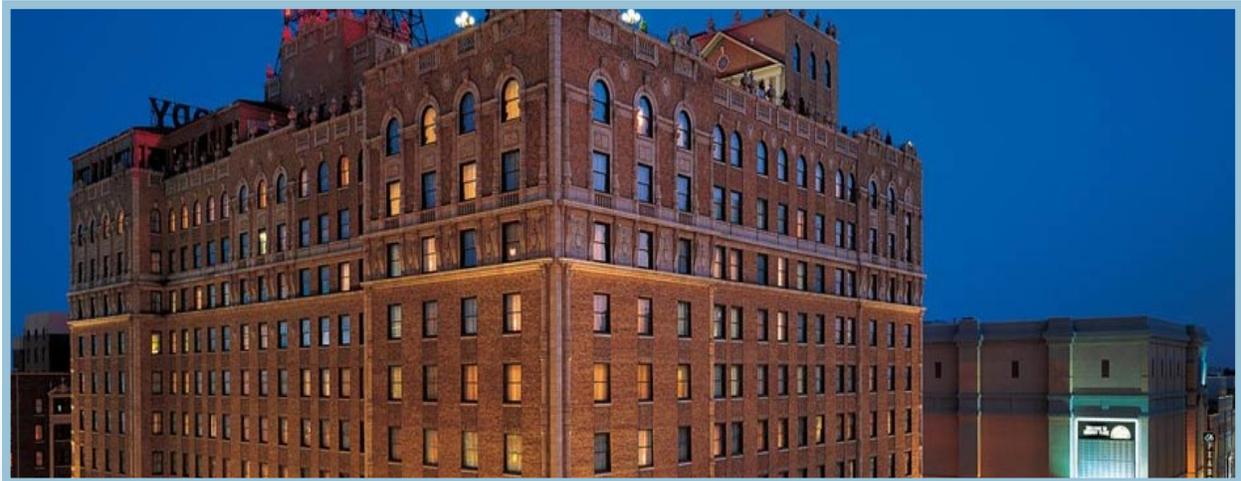
Ron Cossman, President (2014)
Southern Demographic Association

MEMPHIS HOTEL AND VISITOR INFORMATION

The 2014 annual meeting will be held at the historic Peabody Hotel in downtown Memphis. The Peabody is one of Memphis' most popular attractions. The Peabody Ducks march to and from the Grand Lobby daily at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. in a time-honored tradition dating back to 1933. The hotel features guest rooms with picturesque views of downtown or the Mississippi River. In-room amenities include weekday newspaper delivery, high speed internet access, iron with full size ironing board, in room coffee/tea service, hairdryer, electronic voicemail, and access to the Peabody Athletic Club.

The SDA room rate is \$179 per night plus local taxes of 15.95%. This rate will be available until September 15th at 5:00 PM. The Peabody Hotel boasts 464 rooms and has a fitness room and pool. The hotel also has 2 full service restaurants, 2 bars and 24-hour room service. For more information about the hotel or to make reservations, please call (901) 529-4000 or use the following link from the SDA webpage:

http://sda-demography.org/sda_2014_meeting.php, click on the link at the very bottom of the page to make reservations, and enter code 141015SOUT.



Not only will SDA attendees stay in fine accommodations, we will also have many local activities and attractions of potential interest to members. Downtown Memphis is home to the world famous Beale Street, the location of many bars, restaurants, and great local music. Other nearby attractions include the Memphis Rock N Soul Museum, Gibson Guitar Factory, Fed-Ex Forum, National Civil Rights Museum, Sun Studio, Orpheum Theatre, Mud Island River Park, and the Memphis Cook Convention Center. For those interested in getting outdoors, several of the attractions are within blocks of the hotel and many parks are found throughout downtown and on the banks of the Mississippi River. Art museums, shopping, and fine dining also await visitors.

MEMPHIS TRAVEL INFORMATION

Memphis is accessible for many SDA members by automobile. Interstates 40 (for those coming from the east and west) and 55 (for those coming from the north and south) run through Memphis. For others, the Memphis International Airport has commercial air service operated by the following carriers: Delta, US Airways, American, Southwest, Frontier, and United. Should you choose to fly to Memphis, numerous ground transportation options are available including car rentals, taxis, and shuttle services.

For more information on air service to Memphis, see <http://www.mscaa.com/>.



MEMBER NEWS

SDA mourns the recent loss of a long time member and friend, Lawrence A. Brown. His obituary reads:

Lawrence A. Brown, Distinguished University Professor and former Chair of the Department of Geography at the Ohio State University, died on April 6, 2014 at the age of 78. Brown was one of the leaders of geography's quantitative revolution. His book *Innovation Diffusion: A New Perspective* (Methuen, 1981) offered fresh and innovative insights into the ways ideas, techniques, and products spread through geographic space. A prolific scholar, mentor, and outstanding leader who served as President of the Association of American Geographers (AAG) in 1996-1997, Brown also conducted research on population movements, race and ethnicity in U.S. metropolitan areas, and development in Latin America and the Third-World. The latter topic resulted in another landmark volume titled *Place, Migration and Development in the Third World* (Routledge, 1990). Brown served as advisor to 30 doctoral students, many of whom have also become leaders in geography and related specialties. Among the many honors he garnered, Brown earned the distinction of Guggenheim Fellow in 1985, and was awarded Lifetime Achievement Honors by the AAG in 2008 in recognition of his extraordinary vision and leadership in the discipline of geography. Those wishing to honor Larry's memory may forward contributions to The Lawrence A. Brown Faculty Fellow Fund, at the Department of Geography, Derby Hall, The Ohio State University, Columbus OH 43210, USA.

Our deepest sincerities go out to his family and friends.

JOBS: SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY

The Department of Sociology at Sam Houston State University announces an opening for a nine-month tenure-track position at the rank of Assistant Professor to begin Fall 2015. The successful candidate will teach undergraduate and graduate courses, maintain an active research program, and provide service to the university and the discipline. We are especially interested in candidates who have a research focus in aging and gerontology and/or demography. Preference will be given to candidates who have the ability to teach research methods and statistics.

A PhD in sociology or a closely related discipline must be completed by the time of appointment. Applicants must have a research agenda leading to publications in refereed journals and the potential to acquire extramural funding. Evidence of excellence (or the promise of excellence) in teaching effectiveness is also required. The department offers several undergraduate courses online and the Masters of Arts program is completely online. Salary is commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Review of applications will begin September 30, 2014, and continue until the position is filled. Applications must be complete and include a cover letter detailing the applicant's qualifications, relevant experience, and interest in the position. In addition, the application must include a curriculum vitae, writing sample, teaching portfolio, official university transcripts, and the contact information of three professional references. References will not be contacted until the advanced stages of screening. Questions about the position should be directed to the chair of the search committee: Dr. Maki Hatanaka (936-294-4432; maki.hatanaka@shsu.edu).

Sam Houston State University is located in historic Huntsville, Texas, one quarter of the way between Houston and Dallas, and at the boundary between the Piney Woods region of East Texas and the Prairies and Lakes region of Central Texas. The university has an enrollment of approximately 19,000 and 620 full-time faculty. Sam Houston State University is strongly committed to achieving excellence through cultural diversity. The university actively encourages applications and nominations of all qualified individuals.

Sam Houston State University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Plan Employer and Smoke/Drug-Free Workplace. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, creed, ancestry, marital status, citizenship, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, veteran status, disability status, sexual orientation, or gender identity. Sam Houston State University is an "at will" employer. Security sensitive positions at SHSU require background checks in accordance with Education Code 51.215.

To apply for this position, please follow this link:

<https://shsu.peopleadmin.com/postings/10836>

JOBS: BROWN UNIVERSITY

The Brown University Department of Sociology seeks applications for an open-rank tenure-track appointment, to begin July 1, 2015, with a specialization in the sociology of population. Within this focus, we particularly seek candidates who conceive their work broadly, whose work contributes toward the larger discipline of sociology, and who can engage creatively with other areas of strength in the Department, such as development, environment, health and medicine, organizational studies, urban studies, demography and spatial analysis. The appointee will hold an appointment concurrently as Faculty Associate of the Population Studies and Training Center. Applicants should have strong quantitative research skills and be qualified to teach courses at both the graduate and undergraduate levels in areas related to the sociology of population. A successful senior candidate must have an outstanding record of scholarly achievement, a proven record of successful research funding, and demonstrated excellence in undergraduate and graduate teaching and advising. A successful junior candidate must be engaged in a research program with the potential to influence his/her field, demonstrate the intention to obtain external funding, and demonstrate the potential for excellence in undergraduate and graduate teaching and advising.

All candidates should submit: (1) a cover letter describing research completed and planned, (2) a curriculum vitae, (3) a short writing sample, and (4) a teaching statement. Senior candidates (full and associate) should include the names of five references who would be contacted at the appropriate time by the search committee. Junior candidates should have three letters of reference sent at the time of the application. To receive full consideration applications must be received by September 15, 2014. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled or the search is closed. Brown is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer, and women and minorities are enthusiastically encouraged to apply. Send materials to: [http://
apply.interfolio.com/25319](http://apply.interfolio.com/25319)

JOBS: UNIVERSITY OF UTAH-SALT LAKE

The Department of Sociology at the University of Utah invites applications for an open-rank tenured or tenure-track position to begin on July 1, 2015. We are seeking a sociologist who will contribute to the Department specialty in Population and Health (description available at (<http://soc.utah.edu/graduate/description.php>)). Candidates should have a PhD in Sociology by summer 2015 at the latest. The successful applicant will have a well-defined research agenda and a strong record of, or clear potential for, achieving success in academic publication and extra-mural funding commensurate with qualifications and experience. All research areas within a general population and health framework will be considered. Examples of specific areas of research that complement existing faculty strengths include, but are not limited to, social inequalities in mental and physical health, migration, population aging and life course, family demography, global health, and quantitative methods in population research. Applicants should be prepared to contribute to the department's teaching mission at both the undergraduate and graduate level.

The sociology program awards the BS/BA, MA and PhD, with about 400 undergraduate majors and a highly regarded doctoral program. The University of Utah is a member of the PAC-12 Conference and is ranked as one of the top 100 universities in the world according to the 2013 Academic Ranking of World Universities. The University is situated in a growing metropolitan area of 1.3 million, abutting the spectacular Wasatch Mountain Range.

Review of applications will begin on October 1 and continue until the position is filled. Please apply online at: <https://utah.peopleadmin.com/postings/33537>. Submit a letter describing research and teaching interests, a curriculum vita, samples of scholarly work, and contact information for three individuals who will provide letters of recommendation. Position availability is contingent on final budgetary approval.

Please address any inquiries regarding the application process or position to Ms. Angela Midgley (angela.midgley@soc.utah.edu).

The University of Utah is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer and educator. Minorities, women, and persons with disabilities are strongly encouraged to apply. Veterans preference. Reasonable accommodations provided. For additional information: <http://www.regulations.utah.edu/humanResources/5-106.html>.

The University of Utah values candidates who have experience working in settings with students from diverse backgrounds, and possess a strong commitment to improving access to higher education for historically underrepresented students.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New registration fee structure for the 2014 meetings

Our fee structure for registering for SDA this year has been slightly modified.

Up to 15 Sep, Early Registration

student registration = \$105

regular registration = \$205

16 Sep-14 Oct, Late Registration

student registration = \$120

regular registration = \$230

15 Oct on, Onsite Registration

student registration = \$135

regular registration = \$250

COMMENTS FROM THE NEW EDITOR

Hi SDA Members,

I'm excited to be the new editor of the Southern Demographic News! I'd like to thank our long time editor, Carla Alphonso, for her tremendous work over the years and also for helping me get started in this position. I wanted to briefly introduce myself but more importantly encourage everyone to contact me of any news worthy of being included in future editions of the newsletter. You can contact me via email at news@sda-demography.org, or by phone at (901) 678-1631.

I look forward to seeing everyone in Memphis in October!

Thanks,

Wes James
The University of Memphis
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