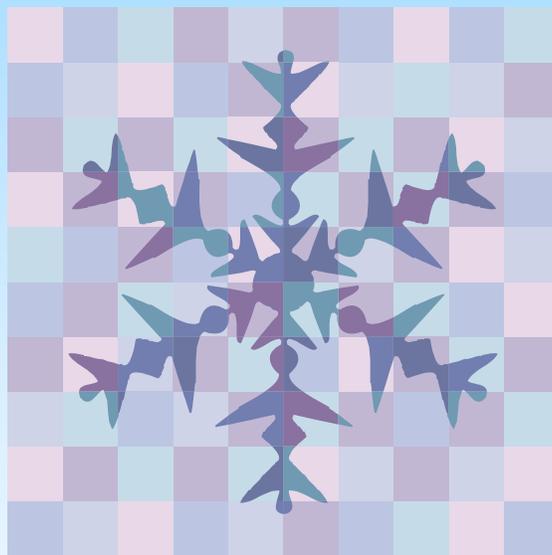


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# Southern Demographic Association Call for Papers

## The Meeting

For the first time since 1980, the SDA conference will return to Tallahassee, with the local arrangements organized by demographers from Florida State University. The 2011 conference will also return to the previous custom of holding the opening reception on a Wednesday, and conducting the two main days of scientific sections on Thursday and Friday. All submissions will be through the SDA web site. For emerging details, please check <http://sda-demography.org/>. Presentations of research in both applied and academic sociology are welcome as are related topics in economics, sociology, geography, political science, public health, epidemiology, and psychology. Though SDA is known for regional emphases and membership, it encourages the membership and participation of individuals from any region of the country or world.



## The Program

The structure of presentations is flexible; potential contributors are encouraged to not only send abstracts for individual research papers, but also for posters, complete sessions, thematic sessions, panel discussions, software demonstrations and more! Please email Bob Freymeyer ([rhfrey@presby.edu](mailto:rhfrey@presby.edu)), 2011 program chair, if you have any questions regarding a potential submission. Presentations by (or coauthored with) students are especially welcome; they can offer a student a significant first professional meeting experience.

**ALL SUBMISSIONS SHOULD BE ROUTED THROUGH THE SDA WEB SITE TO RECEIVE PROPER CONSIDERATION!**

**Deadline: June 15, 2011**

**Submit here:** <http://sda-demography.org/SDA2011.php> (available after March 15)

## The Awards

- Everett S. Lee Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award [http://sda-demography.org/sda\\_lee\\_award.php](http://sda-demography.org/sda_lee_award.php)
- Outstanding Undergraduate Paper Award [http://sda-demography.org/sda\\_undergrad\\_award.php](http://sda-demography.org/sda_undergrad_award.php)
- E. Walter Terrie Award for State and Local Demography [http://sda-demography.org/sda\\_terrie\\_award.php](http://sda-demography.org/sda_terrie_award.php)
- For award consideration, paper must have been submitted through regular program channels *and* also to special award addresses detailed on the SDA Website.

**October 19-21, 2011  
Doubletree Hotel  
Tallahassee, Florida**



You are invited to submit abstracts for posters and/or completed papers for the 2011 annual meeting of the Southern Demographic Association (SDA). You are also invited to suggest topics for panels and poster sessions.

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# Photos from Knoxville



## **Winner of the SDA Student Paper Competition**

Congratulations to the winner of the 2010 SDA student paper competition! This year we presented the undergraduate paper award to Mateo Clarke of the University of Texas at Austin. His paper titled “The Unique Case of Brazilian Immigrants to the United States: Comparisons between Brazilians and other Latin American Immigrants” was completed as a part of the NSF/REU program at UT.

## **Terrie Award Winner**

Richelle Winkler, Cheng Cheng, and Shaun Golding received the E. Walter Terrie Applied Demography Award at the 2010 SDA annual meeting. Their paper was titled “Boom or Bust? How Migration Impacts Population Composition in Different Types of Natural Resource Dependent Communities in the Rural U.S.” The authors represent the Applied Population Lab at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Congratulations to the winners!

***Population Research and Policy Review***  
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**Volume 30, Number 1/ February 2011:**

“Female Migration and Child Occupation in Rural El Salvador” by Pablo Acosta.

“International Migration and the Education of Children: Evidence from Lima, Peru” by Veronica Frisancho Robles and R. S. Oropesa.

“Will They Stay? Foreign-Born Out-Migration from New U.S. Destinations” by Mary M. Kritz, Douglas T. Gurak, and Min-Ah Lee.

“Causes of Neonatal Deaths among Tribal Women in Gujarat, India” by Baiju Dinesh Sha and Laxmi Kant Dwivedi.

“Circular and Repeat Migration: Counts of Exits and Years Away from the Host Country” by Carol S. Walther, Dudley L. Poston, and Yuan Gu.

“Segregation, Race, and Infant Well-Being” by Michael McFarland and Cheryl A. Smith.

“Does Religion Influence Fertility in Developing Countries” by Tim B. Heaton.

“Region of Birth and Disability Among Recent U.S. Immigrants: Evidence from the 2000 Census” by Cheng Huang, Neil K. Mehta, Irma T. Elo, Solveig A. Cunningham, and Rob Stephenson, et al.

“The State Socialist Mortality Syndrome” by Elwood Carlson and Rasmus Hoffman.

“Did Australia’s Baby Bonus Increase Fertility Intentions and Births?” by Robert Drago, Katina Sawyer, Karina M. Shreffler, Diana Warren, and Mark Wooden.

“Sex Differences in the Relationship between Military Service Status and Functional Limitations and Disabilities” by Janet M. Wilmoth, Andrew S. London, and Wendy M. Parker.

“A Matter of Number, Age, or Marriage? Children and Marital Dissolution in Italy” by Lorenzo Todesco.

“How Do Recent Population Trends Matter to Climate Change?” by Leiwen Jiang and Karen Hardee.

“Changes in the Living Arrangements of Elderly People in Greece: 1974-1999” by Eleni Karagiannaki.

“Individual and Institutional Constraints: An Analysis of Parental Leave Use and Duration in Spain” by Irene Lapuerta, Pau Baizan, and Maria Jose Gonzalez.

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“Evaluating Population Forecast Accuracy: A Regression Approach Using County Data” by Jeff Tayman, Stanley K. Smith, and Stefan Raver.

“A Demographic Profile of Obesity in the Adult and Veteran US Populations in 2008” by Johnelle Sparks and Mary Bollinger.

“Access to Childcare Services: The Role of Demand and Supply-Side Policies” by Maria-Isabel Farfan-Portet, Vincent Lorant, and Francesca Petrella.

## **Job Postings**

**Research Scientist- Demographer  
Center for Injury Epidemiology  
Liberty Mutual Research Institute for Safety  
Hopkinton, MA**

We are seeking a highly motivated research scientist in workplace demography to join our Center for Injury Epidemiology which specializes in research into risk factors for occupational injury and the burden of workplace injury. The Liberty Mutual Research Institute for Safety is committed to high quality science including the dissemination of its research results in the open, peer-reviewed scientific press.

The Research Scientist will conduct original research in the changing natures of work, employment, business, and workforce demographics as they relate to and impact occupational injury and workplace safety. This position's work will compliment the work of collaborating colleagues in the Center for Injury Epidemiology (CIE) which conducts original epidemiological studies to increase understanding of the causes and distribution of workplace injuries, identifies and develops promising research methods, and informs the Institute's other multi-disciplinary research programs.

The successful candidate will have the capability and orientation to collaborate with other research scientists on diverse safety-related problems outside of as well as within her/his primary area of research interest. Candidates should also be capable of providing mentorship to less experienced investigators and oversight to supporting staff. Excellent analytical, written and oral communication skills are required to facilitate the dissemination of research results to the scientific community and other stakeholders through peer-reviewed journals, technical seminars and presentations.

Applicants must have a PhD (or equivalent) in demography, sociology or a related field with demonstrated experience/training in quantitative research methods including research design and execution including statistical principles and practices. Experience with national and/or international work, labor, health and/or population survey data and systems desirable. Applicants with a relevant combination of academic qualifications and extensive experience in a similar field are also welcome to apply. An established track record of relevant research and scientific publication is preferred. Salary and benefits are highly competitive.

This is an excellent opportunity to join an internationally-recognized, multidisciplinary group. The Liberty Mutual Research Institute for Safety staff represent the fields of biomechanics, experimental and cognitive psychology, epidemiology, tribology, physiology, engineering, sociology, biostatistics and the clinical sciences. Excellent laboratory, computer, statistical, research and technical support are provided and our research activities are internally-funded. We have active collaborations with Harvard University, the University of Massachusetts, and other international academic and research leaders in our fields of interest.

Interested applicants are encouraged to apply immediately as applications are being accepted, and the position is open until filled. In order to apply to this position, please visit [www.libertymutualgroup.com](http://www.libertymutualgroup.com), click on "Careers," "Search Jobs," and enter 18054 in the Job Number field. In addition to formally applying to this posting, please also email a full curriculum vitae and statement of research interests to: [cie\\_hiring@libertymutual.com](mailto:cie_hiring@libertymutual.com).

We recognize that talented people are attracted to companies that provide competitive pay, comprehensive benefits packages and outstanding advancement opportunities. For this reason we offer a Comprehensive Benefits Plan that includes the following:

- 401K and Company paid pension plan
- Medical coverage
- Dental coverage
- Paid time-off
- Pay-for-Performance
- Discounts on automobile and homeowner's insurance
- Discount fitness memberships
- Flexible spending accounts
- Tuition reimbursement
- Vision care coverage
- Work/Life resources
- Credit Union membership
- Employee and Dependent life insurance
- Disability insurance
- Long-term care insurance

### **Senior Social Demographer, RAND Corporation**

RAND's Labor and Population Division is seeking mid-level and senior-level researchers to conduct high-quality, cutting-edge social demographic research as part of the RAND Population Research Center (PRC). The RAND PRC is dedicated to the scientific advancement of population studies in a period when demographic changes are creating especially complex theoretical and public policy issues. Its purpose is to provide a supportive setting in which a community of scholars can pursue population studies with the resources and facilities to produce the highest quality work. RAND is looking for dedicated scholars who can contribute to the mission of the PRC by actively taking on leadership roles within the center, mentoring and supporting junior researchers, and developing and managing interdisciplinary research teams. Currently, the PRC's research agenda is characterized by a focus on children and families, labor market and human capital investments, and socioeconomic disparities in health. RAND's Labor and Population Division is looking to both grow in these areas and to expand into other domains of demographic research. Persons seeking a collaborative and entrepreneurial research environment are encouraged to apply.

All research positions at RAND require excellent analytic skills; the ability to communicate clearly and effectively in English, both orally and in writing; the ability to work effectively as a member of a multidisciplinary team; and a strong commitment to RAND's core values of quality and objectivity.

Senior researchers at RAND are expected to show a demonstrated ability to lead interdisciplinary teams, to mentor junior staff, and to communicate interim and final results to the RAND community as well as to scientific and policymaking audiences. Candidates should have excellent quantitative research skills, both in statistics and demographic methods, as well as demonstrated expertise in one or more topic areas listed above. Other requirements include:

-Record of externally funded social demographic research, preferably including support from NIH

-Strong publication record in peer-reviewed journals

-Active participation and visibility within the national sociology/demography community

Applicants must have a Ph.D. in Sociology, Demography, Family Studies, Public Policy, or related fields. For more information, see:

[https://web4.rand.org/ps/ps/EMPLOYEE/HRMS/c/HRS\\_HRAM.HRS\\_CE.GBL](https://web4.rand.org/ps/ps/EMPLOYEE/HRMS/c/HRS_HRAM.HRS_CE.GBL) .

## **UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT SAN ANTONIO**

### **Faculty Position in Demography**

The University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA) has an opening for an assistant professor in applied demography to begin in fall 2011. Preferred areas of specialization are demographic methods (estimation and projection), health, and migration. However, applicants with demographic and subject matter expertise in all areas are encouraged to apply. Appointment will be in the Department of Demography and Organization Studies in the College of Public Policy (COPP) with opportunities for involvement in research at the Institute for Demographic and Socioeconomic Research. The position involves teaching, advising and other activities in the Ph.D. program in Applied Demography. Responsibilities include teaching doctoral, master's, and/or undergraduate courses offered at UTSA's Downtown campus, including evening classes; scholarly research and publication; acquisition of external funding; and university and professional service.

The Department of Demography has more than 40 students enrolled in the Applied Demography Ph.D. program with about one-third of them being supported as research assistants. The Institute for Demographic and Socioeconomic Research (IDSER) works to provide a research platform and infrastructure for faculty members in the College of Public Policy and across UTSA. General information about the department and institute may be obtained at <http://copp.utsa.edu/demography/home/> .

Salary and supporting start-up package are competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience. This position is subject to budgetary approval.

Required Qualifications: Ph.D. with a specialization in demography from an appropriate discipline by August 15, 2011, and evidence of potential to make significant scholarly contributions in the area of applied demography.

UTSA is a comprehensive public university serving approximately 30,000 students and is advancing toward tier one research status. UTSA also offers opportunities for collaborative research with The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, The University of Texas School of Public Health at Houston, plus numerous other potential opportunities to collaborate with State and local agencies and companies in South Texas.

#### How to Apply:

Applicants must submit a letter of application, a curriculum vita, a sample of recent research, and three letters of reference. Applications must be sent by email to: Dr. Lloyd Potter, Search Committee Chair, Department of Demography, [dem@utsa.edu](mailto:dem@utsa.edu) (phone 210-458-6530).

Applicants who are selected for interviews must be able to show proof that they will be eligible and qualified to work in the United States by time of hire. A review of completed applications will begin March 1, 2011, and applications will be accepted until the position is filled. UTSA is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. Women, minorities, veterans and individuals with disabilities are encouraged to apply.

#### **Senior Demographic Editor, Population Reference Bureau**

PRB is recruiting for a senior demographic writer/editor to research, write, and edit articles and edit reports on U.S. and international population, health and environment for web and print. A graduate degree in social sciences is required and at least seven years' experience in a population-related organization or social research organization, especially translating demographic material for general audiences. Strong knowledge of demography and related fields—including new directions, controversies, demographic concepts, and sources of data including U.S. Census Bureau, Demographic and Health Surveys, and United Nations.

#### Responsibilities:

As member of editorial team, suggests content for PRB website covering U.S. and international topics.

- Writes an average of two articles per month for the PRB website on U.S. and international population and health topics.
- Commissions content for web articles from other researchers or journalists.
- Reviews and edits all content before publishing.
- Edit articles and reports on both U.S. and international population and health issues, including graphics.
- Work with PRB demographers and other specialists on print or web content.

A graduate degree in social sciences is required. At least seven years' experience in a population-related organization or social research organization, especially writing about demographic material for general audiences. Must work well with academics, journalists, and researchers around the world. Must have established portfolio of written articles and other publications on population, health, and/or environment topics. Strong knowledge of demography and related fields—including new directions, controversies, demographic concepts, and sources of data including U.S. Census Bureau, Demographic and Health Surveys, and United Nations. Experience with a content management system for publishing content to a website.

Skills and Abilities:

- Knowledge of demography; ability to obtain and evaluate demographic data.
- Ability to synthesize and present concepts and data for a general audience.
- Excellent management, time-management, and problem solving skills.
- Solid writing and editing skills.
- Excellent research skills.
- Knowledge of online bibliographic sources and demographic databases.
- Knowledge of French or Spanish helpful.

Salary is commensurate with experience. PRB has a generous benefits package.

Please send cover letter, resume, and two clips to: HR Director, PRB, 1875 Connecticut Ave., NW, Suite 520, Washington, DC 20009; or e-mail: [jjackson@prb.org](mailto:jjackson@prb.org).

**PORTLAND STATE UNIVERSITY**  
**Research Assistant - Population Research Center**

The Population Research Center (PRC) is affiliated with the Institute of Portland Metropolitan Studies (IMS) within the College of Urban and Public Affairs. The PRC fulfills statutory requirements under the Oregon State Data Center program and the Oregon Population Estimates program. In addition, the PRC works with local and state government and nonprofit agencies to conduct demographic analysis that supports public and private decision making, such as school enrollment forecasts, analysis of trends and issues related to aging and public health, housing needs, and small geography population estimates. The PRC also illustrates these data using GIS and other spatial and statistical analytical techniques. The PRC works with other staff at the IMS to offer data analysis to a variety of public and private decision makers. Finally, the PRC supports research in other parts of the college and university by offering demographic analysis components of larger projects. The principal duties of the successful candidate will be to participate in demographic research in support of the missions of the IMS and the PRC.

Key responsibilities include:

- Participate in ongoing research efforts in the PRC, including demographic analysis, population forecasting, population estimation, and spatial and statistical analysis of demographic data.

- Create and maintain databases essential for the ongoing research efforts of the PRC.
- Take increasing responsibility for developing and applying models of population estimates and forecasts for externally funded projects.
- Generate clear and concise reports, including text, graphics, and tables, describing the results of demographic analyses.
- Assist other research programs at PSU, Oregon University System (OUS) institutions, and community groups in proper use of publicly available demographic data.

Minimum qualifications and skills include a Bachelor's degree in Demography, Sociology, Geography, Economics, or a related field and at least two years of experience in applied demography, economics, or other social science research in a collaborative environment. Facility with spreadsheets, databases, and statistical software is required. The preferred candidate will have excellent written, oral, and interpersonal communication skills.

This is a renewable, 12-month fixed term position. The starting annual salary rate for this position will be commensurate with the candidate's qualifications and experience. Compensation includes an excellent benefits package including fully paid healthcare; a generous retirement and vacation package; and reduced tuition rates for employee, spouse or one dependant at any of the Oregon University System schools.

Please send a letter of interest, curriculum vitae, and three references by March 31, 2011 to:

Lisa Yarbrough  
Search Coordinator  
Population Research Center  
PO Box 751  
Portland, OR 97207

Applications may be sent via email to: [yarbroug@pdx.edu](mailto:yarbroug@pdx.edu)

More information about the Population Research Center and the Institute of Portland Metropolitan Studies can be found at [www.pdx.edu/ims/](http://www.pdx.edu/ims/) and [www.pdx.edu/prc/](http://www.pdx.edu/prc/)  
Portland State University is an Affirmative Action, Equal Opportunity Institution and welcomes applications from diverse candidates and candidates who support diversity.