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Williamsburg in 2012!

For the first time, the SDA's annual meeting will take place in historic Williamsburg, Virginia. As with 2011, we are reverting to a Wednesday - Friday format. The 2012 meeting is scheduled to begin Wednesday, October 10th (Opening Reception), with two main days devoted to scientific inquiry on Thursday, October 11th and Friday, October 12th. The conference will be held at the Williamsburg Hospitality House and Conference Center with a nightly room rate of \$119. The hotel is located just three blocks from the historic area of Colonial Williamsburg. More information may be found at the [hotel's website](#).

Look for a formal Call for Papers in March with online submissions beginning at that time.

Congratulations to Our 2011 Award Winners!

The SDA wishes to congratulate each award winner from the 2011 meeting in Tallahassee. Olivia Healy, of Cornell University, won the Undergraduate Paper Award for her work titled "The Impact of Childcare Subsidies on Maternal Stress."

Joseph Lariscy, a graduate student at the University of Texas at Austin, won the Everett S. Lee Graduate Student Paper Award for his paper titled "The Long Plume of Childhood: Age at Smoking Initiation, Adult Smoking Status, and Adult Mortality."

Stanley K. Smith and Stefan Rayer, both from the University of Florida, won the E. Walter Terrie Award for State and Local Demography. Their paper was titled "An Evaluation of Population Forecast Errors for Florida and its Counties, 1980-2010."



Recent Tables of Contents of *Population Research and Policy Review*

Volume 30, Number 6 (December 2011):

“Selective Out-Migration from Florida” by Andy Sharma.

“Immigrants and the Spread of Tuberculosis in the United States: A Hidden Cost of Immigration” by Michael J. Greenwood and Watson R. Warriner.

“Inequality of Opportunity in Indian Children: The Case of Immunization and Nutrition” by Ashish Singh.

“Social Networks and Support, Gender, and Racial/Ethnic Disparities in Hypertension Among Older Adults” by Bridget K. Gorman and Jeremy R. Porter.

The World at 7 Billion

As demographers we are living in an exciting and dynamic time. The Population Reference Bureau has released its “2011 World Population Data Sheet” which contains much useful information in the form of tables, graphs, maps, and even a “webinar.” This PRB data undoubtedly can be a helpful research and teaching tool for demographers. Check out the data sheet at [PRB's website](#).

Job Postings

University of Colorado Denver, Department Chair

The Department of Sociology at the University of Colorado Denver is seeking qualified applicants at the rank of Associate or Full Professor for the position of Department Chair. We seek a dedicated, energetic, and insightful leader who will mentor faculty and build upon an established department and degree programs.

The University of Colorado Denver is comprised of the recently consolidated Denver Campus and the Anschutz Medical Campus. The consolidated university confers more graduate degrees each year than any other higher education institution in Colorado, offers over 130 degree programs in 13 schools and colleges, and brings in nearly \$400 million annually in sponsored research.

The Denver Campus is located downtown next to a vibrant commercial and cultural district, three major professional sports venues, the Denver Convention Center, and city and state government offices. The Denver Campus alone has an enrollment of over 15,000 students, and has a highly diverse student population.

The Department of Sociology offers both Bachelor's and Master's degrees and is committed to offering a multi-faceted learning experience to students that provides an understanding of how individuals and institutions interact to shape our social world. The department currently is composed of 6 tenured or tenure-track faculty and 4 full-time instructors or senior instructors.

Applicants must have a Ph.D. in Sociology or a closely related discipline and should be eligible for appointment with tenure at the rank of Associate or Full Professor at CU Denver. In addition, individuals should have an active research program, a distinguished scholarly record, evidence of high quality teaching, and experience mentoring both undergraduate and graduate students. Applicants should have administrative experience relevant to the Chair's role. Applicants' research program should be in an area complementary to the existing research strengths of the department (i.e., health and wellbeing, criminology, and the family) and there should be a history of extramural funding, preferably with currently active support.

Applications must include: 1) A letter of introduction which addresses the position requirements and summarizes the qualifications of the applicant; 2) full curriculum vitae; 3) research statement, describing research interests; 4) teaching statement, describing courses taught and history of mentoring graduate and undergraduate students; 5) administrative statement, outlining previous leadership experience and accomplishments; and 6) the names, email addresses, postal addresses, and daytime phone numbers for four professional references.

Review of applications begins 15 January 2012 and continues until filled. Please apply at www.jobsatcu.com.

Questions should be directed to, John W. Wyckoff, Associate Dean, at john.wyckoff@ucdenver.edu

Salary is commensurate with experience.

The University of Colorado offers a full benefits package. Information on University benefits programs and eligibility are available at <http://www.cu.edu/pbs/>.

UCD is dedicated to ensuring a safe and secure environment for our faculty, staff, and students. To achieve that goal, we conduct background investigations for all prospective employees.

The University of Colorado is committed to diversity and equality in education and employment.

DePaul University, Assistant Professor

The Department of Sociology at DePaul University invites applications for a tenure-track position at the Assistant Professor level beginning September 2012. We are looking for candidates in the area of urban sociology, preferably with secondary areas of specialization in race & ethnicity, inequality, immigration, and/or demography. The candidate should also be prepared to teach core courses, including theory, methods and/or statistics, as well as introductory sociology.

The department consists of 21 fulltime faculty, 370 undergraduate majors, and 80 sociology graduate (MA) students. Located in the heart of Chicago, DePaul University is a private institution with over 25,000 students.

Candidates are expected to have the PhD in Sociology completed at the time of employment, as well as teaching experience. Review of files with complete documentation will begin January 9, 2012. Applications should include a cover letter describing teaching and research interests, curriculum vitae, and three letters of reference. Supporting materials demonstrating teaching and scholarly achievement should accompany the application. To apply, click:

<http://facultyopportunities.depaul.edu/applicants/Central?quickFind=50875>.

As an Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) employer, DePaul University provides job opportunities to qualified individuals without regard to race, color, ethnicity, religion, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, age, marital status, physical or mental disability, parental status, housing status, source of income or military status, in accordance with applicable federal, state and local EEO laws.

Commonwealth Fund, Senior Research Associate

The Commonwealth Fund, a private, non-profit organization that promotes a higher functioning healthcare system, seeks a senior research associate to be part of a small research team with the Institute for Healthcare Improvement based in Boston with responsibilities for developing and producing national, state and sub-state regional analyses on health care system performance and related insurance and care system market structure analyses. Over the next two years, the team will be responsible for research, data analysis, and writing reports centered on measuring and monitoring trends across key performance indicators, including: health insurance coverage and access to care; quality of care; efficiency and cost of services delivered; equity in the provision of care; and healthy outcomes. Additionally, the team will work with senior Fund and case study staff to support qualitative analyses and participate on teams to analyze Fund-supported international and U.S. surveys.

Interested applicants should possess a Master's degree and five to seven years of work experience or equivalent. Preference will be given to applicants with prior research experience and/or formal education in economics, statistics, mathematics, or public policy. Demonstrated interest in health care policy or health services research a plus.

Interested parties should send a cover letter and resume **via email** to: Institute for Healthcare Improvement, Vice President, Human Resources, 20 University Road, 7th Floor, Cambridge, MA 02138. Email: employment@ihi.org. IHI is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, Assistant or Associate Professor

The Social and Behavioral Interventions (SBI) Program in the Department of International Health is recruiting one full-time tenure track member at the Assistant or Associate Professor level. The research focus of the SBI Program is the design, implementation and evaluation of interventions to promote health and nutrition-related behaviors. We are looking for candidates engaged in research on behavioral and community interventions related to one or more of these problem areas: 1) effectiveness, sustainability and implementation at scale of community, home-based, worksite and social marketing interventions, 2) interventions to reduce over and under-nutrition, 3) interventions to improve maternal, newborn and child health outcomes, 4) prevention and control of infectious diseases, and 5) improving acceptance and use of health technologies. Experience in conducting qualitative research, formative research and process evaluations, application of theory and research findings to the design of public health programs and interventions, and the ability to work effectively in one or more foreign languages, are assets.

Required qualifications are an earned doctoral degree in a social science discipline (Psychology, Sociology, Anthropology) or Public Health (with specialization in applied social science, or related field); ability to generate and maintain an independent stream of research funding; three or more years experience in public health research or practice in low- and middle-income countries during or after doctoral studies; at least five articles published or accepted for publication in peer-reviewed journals, two or more with the candidate as first author; potential to contribute to existing courses offered by SBI Program whose focus is qualitative research, formative research and behavior change interventions; and experience in teaching or training. Responsibilities include establishing an independent research agenda through extramural funding, teaching, advising in the graduate program, and service to the community and field of public health.

Women and under-represented minority candidates are particularly encouraged to apply. The Johns Hopkins University is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, gender, religion, age, sexual orientation, national or ethnic origin, disability, marital status, veteran status, or any other occupationally irrelevant criteria. The University promotes affirmative action for minorities, women, persons with disabilities, and veterans.

The Johns Hopkins University is a smoke-free environment and as such, prohibits smoking in all facilities. The Johns Hopkins University is a drug-free workplace.

Applicants should send a statement of interest, curriculum vitae and names of three references to:

Professor Peter Winch c/o Ms. Lois Gietka, Department of International Health, Social and Behavioral Interventions Program, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, 615 N. Wolfe Street, E5527, Baltimore, MD 21205 USA

Email: lgietka@jhsph.edu
<http://www.jhsph.edu/ih>

Links of interest for this position:
<http://www.jhsph.edu/sbi>

Funding Opportunities

UC Davis, Center for Poverty Research 2011-2012 SMALL GRANTS COMPETITION REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF PROPOSAL: Tuesday, January 31, 2012, 5 PM PST

The Center for Poverty Research (CPR) seeks to fund research that will expand our understanding of the causes and consequences of poverty. The goals of this program are to expand research in our Center's core research areas, with sound research design and high potential impact. CPR anticipates funding up to 5 proposals, up to a maximum of \$20,000 per award.

We seek proposals for research connected to our core research themes:

- Labor markets and poverty
- The non-cash safety net, broadly construed to include education and health policies
- Children and the intergenerational transmission of poverty
- Immigration and poverty, especially in connection with the above three areas

Projects using either qualitative or quantitative data sources are eligible for funding. Because of the short length of the performance period, we do not anticipate funding projects that seek to collect new data.

Applicants for small grants must hold a Ph.D. and be in a tenure track academic appointment. The Center is particularly interested in supporting early-career poverty researchers. Competitive proposals for which the PI is an Assistant Professor will be given more weight in the evaluation process. Funding will begin on or before March 1, 2012 and funded activities must be complete by February 28, 2013. A final report and related policy brief will be due no later than March 31, 2013. Receipt of a small grant from the Center for Poverty Research will require a commitment to 1) present the results of the research project at the UC Davis Poverty Center's February 2013 Small Grant Recipient Conference (travel expenses will be paid by the Center); 2) produce a draft paper by February 1, 2012; and 3) write a "policy brief" of two to three pages, based on the research findings, and aimed at a general audience by March 31, 2013. The policy brief will be made available to the public on the Center's website. Funded scholars will be expected to complete at least one paper from the project suitable for academic publication. A draft paper will be due to the Center prior to the February 2013 Conference. All publications should acknowledge support from the Center for Poverty Research. The Center will support expenses such as the PI(s) salary, research assistant's salary, data, software, supplies and research related travel. The budget period is March 1, 2012 to February 28, 2013.

Direct questions concerning your proposal to poverty@ucdavis.edu. Additional information is available at the [UC Davis website](#).

Post-doctoral Opportunities

Cornell University

The Cornell Population Center (CPC) invites applicants for the Frank H.T. Rhodes Post-doctoral Fellowships. The start date for the position will be August 15, 2012 and will be funded for 2 years, subject to a satisfactory first year evaluation. Selection will be based on scholarly potential, ability to work in multi-disciplinary settings, and the support of a faculty mentor and CPC affiliate at Cornell who will work closely with the post-doctoral associate. Preference will be given to fellows with research interests in areas broadly related to the CPC's three main foci: families & children, health behaviors & disparities, or poverty/inequality. Especially encouraged are applications from candidates whose research has significance for those countries on which the fellowship's funder focuses – the United States, the Republic of Ireland, Northern Ireland, Vietnam, South Africa, and Bermuda.

The postdoctoral associate will have access to the full range of university resources and receive an annual salary of \$50,000 plus benefits and a modest research/travel account.

Screening of applications begins February 1, 2012, and will continue until the position is filled.

Applications must include: (a) letter of application, (b) curriculum vita, (c) a statement proposing both an individual research project and how the candidate will engage with a CPC faculty affiliate's on-going research, (d) examples of written work, (e) a letter from a CPC faculty affiliate agreeing to mentor the candidate, and (d) three letters of recommendation. These materials must be [submitted online](#). For questions, please contact Erin Oates (eo73@cornell.edu).

Applicants must have a Ph.D. in economics, sociology, public health, public policy, or another related social science discipline by August 15, 2012.

Cornell University, located in Ithaca, New York, is an inclusive, dynamic, and innovative Ivy League university and New York's land-grant institution. Its staff, faculty, and students impart an uncommon sense of larger purpose and contribute creative ideas and best practices to further the university's mission of teaching, research, and outreach.

Cornell University is an equal opportunity, affirmative action educator and employer.

Population Council

The Population Council offers the Fred H. Bixby Fellowship Program to expand training opportunities for social scientists and biomedical researchers in the health and population fields. This fellowship is geared toward developing-country nationals in the early stages of their careers, and to those with a demonstrated commitment to remaining in their home countries to build capacity in local institutions or returning home after working/studying abroad. The Council's Fred H. Bixby Fellowship Program is a ten-year program that began in January 2007. The program offers a limited number of fellowships each year. The Fred H. Bixby Fellowship Program allows fellows to work with experienced mentors in the Council's network of offices. Fellows work on projects in the following program areas:

- HIV and AIDS
- Poverty, Gender, and Youth
- Reproductive Health

This fellowship program is made possible through a generous grant from the Fred H. Bixby Foundation. Fred H. Bixby (1910–72) was a Californian rancher who provided in his will for the creation of the Fred H. Bixby Foundation to support activities related to issues of population.

The deadline for fellowship applications is January 31, 2012. For more information, please contact the [fellowship coordinator](#) or see the following [fact sheet](#).

University of Michigan, Population Studies Center

PSC expects to have openings for postdoctoral fellows sponsored by NIA and NICHD. Positions to start on or about September 1, 2012. Applicants must have a Ph.D. in demography, public health, or one of the social sciences (e.g. sociology, economics, anthropology, psychology or history) at the starting date.

Applicants for the NIA positions should be intending to focus their efforts during the postdoctoral fellowship on aging related research, broadly defined, while applicants for the NICHD positions should be intending to focus on population research. Selection will be based on scholarly potential and compatibility with the interests of a faculty mentor. Fellows devote most of their time to independent research, but may also take selected courses and/or teach on a light-load basis if opportunities are available.

Term of appointment two years. Stipend commensurate with experience, based on levels mandated by NIH. Candidates must be citizens or Permanent Residents of the United States at the time of application.

Screening of applications will begin on January 13, 2012 and will continue until positions are filled. Send letter of application, curriculum vitae, 1-2 page statement of research interests detailing your planned research while at PSC and examples of written work via email to Ms. Heather MacFarland (hmacfarl@umich.edu). Statement of research interests is essential and should reflect plans for research during the postdoctoral period, rather than simply a summary of previous research. Also, please arrange for three letters of recommendation to be sent directly from the author to Ms. MacFarland via email. All documents should be in PDF format and contain the applicant's last name in the file name.

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University of Texas at Austin, Population Research Center

The Population Research Center (PRC) at The University of Texas at Austin will have two openings for NICHD-funded postdoctoral positions starting September 1, 2012. These positions are for one year, but are potentially renewable for a second year. The PRC is an interdisciplinary research and training unit of the University of Texas at Austin (UT) that provides infrastructure support services and project development support for a very productive, interdisciplinary group of faculty, postdocs, graduate students, and undergraduate students at UT. Most of the research is concentrated in four overlapping and reinforcing thematic areas: Health disparities, Educational Inequality & Opportunity, Partnership, Parenting, & Human Development, and Work and Stratification.

As part of a research unit with a strong culture of collaboration, postdocs are expected to spend about half of their time working independently and about half of their time working together with research associates. We strongly encourage potential applicants to contact research associates to discuss collective interests prior to submitting an application. In addition, postdocs are expected to regularly attend the weekly PRC brownbag, present at least once at the brownbag during their period of support, and submit research for presentation at the Population Association (PAA) meetings. Postdoctoral fellows must have a Ph.D. in sociology, demography, public health, family studies or a related social science discipline and be citizens, or Permanent Residents, of the United States at the time of appointment. Screening of applications will begin on January 28, 2012 and will continue until the positions are filled. Send letter of interest with information about research interests and plans, anticipated postdoctoral faculty mentor, and future employment goals; CV; and examples of written work. In addition, please submit three letters of recommendation. All documents must be submitted electronically to: training@prc.utexas.edu.

For more information about the PRC research activities and faculty see our website: <http://www.utexas.edu/cola/centers/prc/>.

For more information about this position, contact the NICHD Program Coordinator training@prc.utexas.edu.

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