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Memphis in 2014!

SAVE THE DATE!

Our 2014 meeting will be held in Memphis, Tennessee, from Wednesday, October 15 to Friday, October 18. The conference will be held at the renowned Peabody Hotel. 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.

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

Volume 32, Number 6 (December 2013):

“Hurricane Katrina: Who Stayed and Why?” by Brian C. Thiede and David L. Brown.

“Family Sponsorship and Late-Age Immigration in Aging America: Revised and Expanded Estimates of Chained Migration” by Stacie Carr and Marta Tienda.

“Determinants of Long-Term Unions: Who Survives the 'Seven Year Itch'?” by Audrey Light and Yoshiaki Omori.

“The Nonlinear Relationship Between Education and Mortality: An Examination of Cohort, Race/Ethnic, and Gender Differences” by Bethany G. Everett, David H. Rehkopf, and Richard G. Rogers.

“A Comparative Evaluation of Error and Bias in Census Tract-Level Age/Sex-Specific Population Estimates: Component I (Net-Migration) vs. Component III (Hamilton-Perry)” by Jack Baker, Adelamar Alcantara, Xiaomin Ruan, Kendra Watkins, and Srinivasan Vasan.

“A Multidimensional Approach in International Comparative Policy Analysis Based on Demographic Projections” by Izhak Berkovich.

Volume 33, Number 1 (February 2014):

“Funding Strategies for Population Researchers: Perspectives from the National Institutes of Health” by Regina Bures, Rebecca Clark, Rosalind King, and Susan Newcomer.

“In-State College Tuition Policies for Undocumented Immigrants: Implications for High School Enrollment Among Non-citizen Mexican Youth” by Robert Bozick and Trey Miller.

“U.S. Internal Migration and Occupational Attainment: Assessing Absolute and Relative Outcomes by Region and Race” by Chenoa Flippen.

“The Great Recession and the Changing Geography of Food Stamp Receipt” by Tim Slack and Candice A. Myers.

“Does the Hispanic Paradox in U.S. Adult Mortality Extend to Disability?” by Mark D. Hayward, Robert A. Hummer, Chi-Tsun Chiu, César González-González, and Rebeca Wong.

“The Contributions of Health Care and Other Interventions to Black-White Disparities in Life Expectancy, 1980-2007” by Irma T. Elo, Hiram Beltrán-Sánchez, and James Macinko.

“The Importance of Spousal Education for the Self-Rated Health of Married Adults in the United States” by Dustin C. Brown, Robert A. Hummer, and Mark D. Hayward.

Southern Demographic News Has a New Editor

Wesley James, Assistant Professor of Sociology at the University of Memphis, has agreed to serve as the next editor of the *Southern Demographic News*, the newsletter of the Southern Demographic Association. His first issue will be the next issue due out this spring. Please send any contributions to Wes at wes.james@memphis.edu.

The Southern Demographic Association is a scientific and educational corporation operating under the laws of the commonwealth of Virginia. It is comprised of persons with professional interests in demography and population studies. *Southern Demographic News* is compiled and edited by Carla Alphonso, Associate Professor of Sociology at Presbyterian College.

***In Memoriam*.....**

Donald Hastings

In December 2013, Donald "Chip" Hastings died from congestive heart failure after a massive heart attack. Chip was one of the earliest members of SDA (back when it had a different name). He was on faculty at the University of Utah before joining the faculty at the University of Tennessee, where he served as acting head. He was a contributor to and active reviewer for *PRPR*. He retired in 2006. He is survived by his wife, Dr. Sherry Cable. A more formal obituary will appear in a later issue of *ASA Footnotes*.

Robert McCann

Robert Patrick McCann, 66, of Tallahassee, Florida, passed away on December 29, 2013. Bob was a 1965 graduate of Seabreeze High School in Daytona Beach, Florida. He worked at and retired from the Florida State University Library system. He is best remembered among SDA members as the FSU Demography program librarian.

His lifelong avocations included bass fishing, softball, umpiring and most importantly his music. Bob was an active 40-year member of the Tallahassee Bass Anglers Club. Bob is survived by his mother Florence, and siblings Cathy, John, Barry, Dennis, Jim and Brian.

Memorial contributions may be made in his name to the [American Cancer Society](#).

Father J. Michael Wrigley

Father J. Michael Wrigley passed away in December 2013. Fr. Mike (although he wasn't Father Mike at the time) received his PhD. in 1986 from the Department of Sociology at Florida State University. He was proud to be an FSU alumnus and was looking forward to beating an Alabama team in January. He was the Pastor of St. Barnabas Catholic Church in Birmingham, Alabama.

Post-Doctoral Opportunities

Cornell University – Cornell Population Center:

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, 2014 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 four main foci: families & children; health behaviors & disparities; poverty & inequality; and immigration & diversity. 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 *Frank H. T. Rhodes Fellowships* stand as a testament to the profound difference Frank Rhodes has made at Cornell by furthering scholarship and research in areas related to poverty alleviation, support for the elderly and disadvantaged children and youth, public health, and human rights. The postdoctoral program is designed to provide support through collaborations with faculty and to assist new scholars in launching their own programs of research. Postdoctoral Associates devote most of their time to independent research, but are expected to be involved in CPC institution building activities, as well. See <http://www-cpc-cornell-edu.careerliaison.com/> for more information about the Cornell Population Center.

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.

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 by clicking [here](#). For questions, contact Erin Oates (eo73@cornell.edu).

Qualifications:

Applicants must have a Ph.D. in economics, sociology, public health, public policy, or another related social science discipline by August 15, 2014.

Screening of applications begins February 1, 2014, and will continue until the position is filled.

Cornell University is an innovative Ivy League university and a great place to work. Our inclusive community of scholars, students and staff impart an uncommon sense of larger purpose and contribute creative ideas to further the university's mission of teaching, discovery and engagement. Located in Ithaca, NY, Cornell's far-flung global presence includes the medical college's campuses on the Upper East Side of Manhattan and Doha, Qatar, as well as the new Cornell Tech campus to be built on Roosevelt Island in the heart of New York City.

Diversity and inclusion have been and continue to be a part of our heritage. Cornell University is a recognized EEO/AA employer and educator.

Princeton University – Office of Population Research:

The Office of Population Research at Princeton University invites applications for an NIH postdoctoral fellowship. Candidates must have completed an MD or a PhD in demography, sociology, statistics, or other relevant field prior to the start of the appointment. Applicants for this NIH fellowship must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents. Appointment is for one year, with possibility of renewal based on satisfactory performance and continued funding, and a start date of September 2014. Applicants must apply online at <http://jobs.princeton.edu> and include a cover letter, curriculum vitae, 1-3 page projected research plan, writing samples, a list of publications and contact information for 3 references. Screening of applicants will start on February 15, 2014 and continue until position is filled.

Candidates must have completed an MD or a PhD in demography, sociology, statistics, or other relevant field prior to the start of the appointment. Applicants for this NIH fellowship must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents.

University of Michigan – Population Studies Center:

The Population Studies Center expects to have openings for postdoctoral fellows sponsored by National Institute on Aging (NIA) and The Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD). Positions to start on or about September 1, 2014. Applicants must have a Ph.D. in demography, public health, or one of the social sciences (e.g., sociology, economics, psychology) at the starting date.

For applicants for the NIA positions, a background in aging is desirable but not required; however, it is imperative that a significant portion of your proposed research be aging-related. Applicants for the NICHD positions should focus on population research. Applicants should indicate for which position(s) they are applying. 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. Positions offer exceptional opportunity for collaboration with staff of the Population Studies Center and Survey Research Center on major projects in the U.S. and overseas.

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

Screening of applications will continue until positions are filled with full consideration being given to those applications that are complete as of January 15, 2014. Send letter of application, curriculum vitae (which must include citizenship status on the first page), 1-2 page statement of research interests detailing your planned research while at PSC and examples of written work via email to PSCPostdoctoralRecruitment@umich.edu. Also, please arrange for three letters of recommendation to be sent directly from the author to the above email address. All documents should be in PDF format and contain the applicant's last name in the file name. An Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.

University of Texas at Austin – Population Research Center:

The Population Research Center (PRC) at The University of Texas at Austin will have one opening for NICHD-funded postdoctoral position starting September 1, 2014. This position is for one year, but is 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 27th and will continue until the position is filled.**

Send letter of interest with information about research interests and plans, anticipated postdoctoral PRC faculty mentor, and future employment goals; CV; and examples of written work to training@prc.utexas.edu. In addition, three letters of recommendation are required. Letter writers should send their letters directly to training@prc.utexas.edu. All documents must be submitted electronically.

Read more information about the PRC [research activities](#) and [faculty](#).

For more information about this position, contact [Dr. Gershoff](#), NICHD Postdoc Training Director.

Additional contact, NICHD Program Coordinator: training@prc.utexas.edu

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Job Postings

Univeristy of Texas at El Paso:

The University of Texas at El Paso is seeking a social scientist as a strategic hire in the area of quantitative methodology at the rank of Associate Professor (higher rank considered). A scholar capable of catalyzing funded collaborative research on campus is desired. Potential substantive research areas could include health and well-being, environment, social networks, borders, migration, Latinas/os, work/poverty/economic development, human security, and human rights. Quantitative methods of particular interest are (a) demography, (b) network analysis, (c) multilevel or hierarchical linear modeling, (d) structural equation modeling, (e) event history or longitudinal analysis, and/or (f) systems dynamic modeling. The candidate must have demonstrated success in publication and external funding and will be appointed in the appropriate academic department. Responsibilities also include teaching and mentoring at the undergraduate and graduate levels.

ABOUT UTEP & EL PASO: The University of Texas at El Paso is an emerging national research university at the heart of the U.S.-Mexico border region committed to the ideals of access and excellence. UTEP's nearly \$80 million in research spending a year ranks the University among the top 200 universities in the nation, and its more than \$40 million in federal research spending ranks fourth among all Texas public universities. In 2013, UTEP was ranked #7 in the nation by the Washington Monthly in its annual "College Guide and Rankings." UTEP enrolls more than 23,000 students – about 78 percent of them Hispanic – and is the only doctoral research university in the nation with a student body that is a majority Mexican-American. UTEP offers 71 bachelor's, 75 master's, and 20 doctoral programs – with more in development. For more information about UTEP, please visit our website: www.utep.edu.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS: Applicants should have an earned doctorate in Social Sciences with demonstrated success in research (publication and funding), and experience teaching and mentoring students. The successful candidate must be able to work effectively with faculty, staff, and students from diverse ethnic, cultural, and socioeconomic backgrounds.

APPOINTMENT DATE AND SALARY: Anticipated appointment date is fall 2014. Salary will be competitive for rank and commensurate with experience. The position comes with an attractive start-up package and excellent fringe benefits.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE: Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled. Only electronic submissions will be accepted, sent to segrineski@utep.edu. Please submit as separate documents (1) a letter of application, (2) curriculum vita with full and accurate citation of publications and funded research projects, (3) complete contact information for three references, and (4) one sample of scholarly work.

FOR QUESTIONS OR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT: Sara Grineski, Associate Professor of Sociology and Search Committee Chair, at segrineski@utep.edu. The University of Texas at El Paso is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer. The University does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, or sexual orientation in employment or the provision of services.

South Dakota State University:

The Department of Sociology and Rural Studies at South Dakota State University seeks an experienced demographer to serve as a faculty member and Director of the department's Rural Life and Census Data Center. As Director, she or he shall set the research and outreach trajectory of South Dakota's official state Census Data Center, oversee the work of Data Center staff and graduate students, coordinate publication schedules, and manage relationships between the Data Center and external networks across the state and region. The Director will also serve as a nine-month, tenured or tenure-track faculty member in the Department of Sociology and Rural Studies. Due to the administrative duties associated with this position, the Director will have reduced teaching, research, and graduate student advising responsibilities in the department. Applications will be accepted at the Assistant, Associate, or Full Professor levels; however we seek individuals with the demonstrated organizational and leadership skills required for this position. The position will be tenured or tenure-track, depending on rank.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Oversee the work of Data Center staff and graduate students, manage publication schedules, administer grants and contracts, and perform teaching, research, and graduate student advising duties in areas of expertise.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

PhD in Sociology, Demography, Population Studies, or a closely-related field; record of successful publications in peer-reviewed journals; experience in quantitative demographic analysis; ability to teach graduate demography classes; demonstrate successful grant and contract activity; and effective written, verbal, and communication skills.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:

Demonstrated leadership, managerial, and organizational skills; effective personnel management, grant development, and successful research programs; experience with community outreach and managing stakeholder priorities; evidence of collaboration with interdisciplinary initiative or programs; knowledge of upper Great Plains demography and sociology; interest or experience in the areas of community development, environmental sociology and/or rural diversity.

For questions on the position, contact the search committee chair, Diane Kayongo-Male at (605) 688-4896 or Diane.Kayongo-Male@sdsu.edu. More information may be accessed [here](#).

The Department of Sociology and Rural Studies is a growing and dynamic department in the College of Arts and Sciences offering MS and PhD degrees in Sociology and an MS degree in Community Development. Departmental faculty have identified robust research activity, grant development, and applied learning as key components of their strategic plan. Our diverse graduate student scholars perform research activity locally, nationally, and abroad. SDSU is a land grant institution and the state's largest institution of higher education with an enrollment of approximately 13,000 students. SDSU is located in Brookings, South Dakota, a vibrant community of approximately 22,100 near the east central border of South Dakota on Interstate 29. The city has an excellent K-12 education system, is accessible to major medical facilities, has an active cultural and social environment, and has numerous lakes and parks within driving distance. It is 50 miles north of Sioux Falls, a city of close to 150,000.

SDSU actively seeks to increase social and intellectual diversity among its faculty and staff. Any offer of employment is contingent on the university's verification of credentials and other information required by law and/or university policies, including but not limited to a criminal background check.