



Carolina Population Center

In 1966, the Carolina Population Center was founded at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. To celebrate its 40th anniversary in 2006, a project was conducted to document the history of the Center. This transcript is an excerpt from an oral history interview.

Interviewee: Don Thomas

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Don Thomas was a CPC Predoctoral Trainee studying Epidemiology from 1974 – 1977, CPC International Programs Office Research Assistant from 1976 – 1981, and Training Program Coordinator and Training Program Director from 1981 – 1999.

DT: Dick - I don't think there's much doubt that the change in emphasis when Dick Udry got to be director was of crucial importance. That's what kept the Center going. We're here today because he changed it into a demographic research oriented center, but kept in all the various disciplines - which somehow worked.