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1. Transitions (and more)

**\*\*Kudos\*\***

Michelle Cheuk (Predoctoral Trainee; Sociology) received second place in the "Best Graduate Research Paper Award," category for her paper "Sociodemographic Covariates of Disability Transitions in the Older Population," at the UNC-IOA Annual Aging Exchange on January 25, 2005.

Congratulations to Chris Erlie, the CPC's newest ABD predoctoral trainee. Chris successfully completed her comprehensive doctoral exams by passing her oral exam and defending her dissertation proposal for work in Ecuador.

Scott Brown (CPC Postdoc 2002-present) accepted a tenure track assistant professor position with the Department of Sociology and Gerontology at Miami University in Ohio. The Department offers majors in Sociology and Gerontology along with seven minors, five thematic sequences, two capstone courses, and a variety of independent research opportunities. The department also offers a multi-disciplinary Master's Degree in Gerontological Studies and, beginning Fall 2005, a Ph.D. in Social Gerontology.

**\*\*Vital Events\*\***

Sabine Henry (CPC Visiting Scholar - Fall 2004) announces the birth of her first child, Charles, on February 15, 2005. Charles weighed in at 2,773 kg and 51 cm. Although their Valentine's dinner was interrupted by Charles' impending birth, Mother, Father, and baby are all well. Sabine may be reached via email at [sabineetvivalent@videotron.ca](mailto:sabineetvivalent@videotron.ca).

Note: Please do the conversion to pounds/inches on your own!

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2. Upcoming CPC Friday Seminars

Dr. Steve McDonald, Sociologist and CPC Postdoctoral Scholar, will present "When Does Social Capital Matter? Non-Searching and the Life Course" today from noon to 1 p.m. in Room 405.

Nancy King, Professor of Social Medicine, will present "Ethical Issues in Collecting and Using Biospecimens in Population Research" at noon on February 25. Attendance at the 2/25 talk may be used to satisfy one of the four required research ethics seminars for 2004-05.

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3. Deadline Looms for New, Required Human Subjects Education

On March 15, the University will implement new requirements for education and certification of investigators involved in research using human subjects. Training is required for all faculty, staff, and students who are engaged in the planning, conduct, or analysis of research at UNC-Chapel Hill that involves human subjects.

It doesn't matter if you've completed training at another institution or if you've completed the old NIH web-based course just last month. Unless you've taken this new course at this University, and are in the database as having done so, you need to complete the training.

The new training comes from the Collaborative IRB Training Initiative (CITI). UNC has added its own module on HIPAA and research. Completing the required HIPAA research module in the human subjects training/certification does not mean that you have satisfied basic HIPAA training requirements. They are separate.

To take the training, visit the website for the Office of Human Research Ethics and the page on human subjects required education:

<http://research.unc.edu/ohre/educ.php>. Click on "Direct to CITI Online Course." You will create a login and password and then select one of the three training courses that is most appropriate to the type of research that you conduct. Now is a good time to get started. There are multiple modules and a required quiz that you must pass.

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4. Spring Tax Seminars for International Students and Scholars

The Office of International Student and Scholar Services (OISSS) will sponsor tax seminars for international students and scholars during the next several months. The sessions provide basic information and are not meant to provide individual tax assistance.

Please bring your W-2 and/or a 1042S, as well as the following IRS forms: 8843, 1040NR, or 1040NR-EZ and the North Carolina D400. The forms are available online at:  
<http://www.irs.gov> (federal forms)  
<http://www.dor.state.nc.us> (state forms)

Each session begins promptly at 2:00. Latecomers will miss vital information.

SEMINAR #1

Date: Sunday, February 27, 2005  
Time: 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.  
Room: Manning Hall 209

SEMINAR #2

Date: Wednesday, March 23, 2005  
Time: 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.  
Room: Koury Auditorium (Kenan Flagler Business School)  
NOTE: This session will only cover Federal Taxes, not N.C. State Taxes.

SEMINAR #3

Date: Sunday, April 3rd, 2005  
Time: 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.  
Room: Manning Hall 209

Questions regarding the tax seminars may be directed to Micah Sam ([msam@email.unc.edu](mailto:msam@email.unc.edu); 962-5661). The OISSS staff are not able to assist anyone in the completion of tax forms or in answering specific tax questions.

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5. PAA Travel Advance Deadline: March 11

All travel advance requests for PAA must be submitted to Lance Underwood (205 CPC

West) by Friday March 11, 2005. You may submit any pre-paid travel expenses such as airfare, hotel deposits, and/or registration with the request. Please include the confirmation of payment receipt showing the amount paid and the method used for payment i.e., check or credit card. In addition, UNC Travel will NOT accept only the completed registration form with your credit card information as the confirmation of payment.

If you plan to request a travel advance, please complete the CPC Travel Advance form: [https://www.cpc.unc.edu/services/admin/travel\\_advance.html](https://www.cpc.unc.edu/services/admin/travel_advance.html)

If you plan to use the UNC CABS System (Central Airfare Billing System) to purchase a plane ticket, please contact one of UNC's Certified Travel Agents and complete the CPC CABS Request form. Both links are below:

<http://www.unc.edu/mds/ts/agencies.htm>

[https://www.cpc.unc.edu/intranet/services/admin/travelmain/cabs\\_affiliate.html](https://www.cpc.unc.edu/intranet/services/admin/travelmain/cabs_affiliate.html)

Note that UNC will not reimburse Orbitz, Expedia, Travelocity, etc. booking fees when making online airfare purchases. In addition, CPC trainees will not be reimbursed for PAA Membership expenses.

If you share your travel expenses (online airfare purchases, hotels, taxis) with another trainee, all persons involved will need to request their own travel advance/reimbursement. Please include a signed memo detailing who you shared the expenses with, the total cost, and the portion you are requesting reimbursement for. The same goes for sharing expenses with a trainee or student from another institution.

Take a look at the CPC's Advice for the Bewildered Traveler for more details. <https://www.cpc.unc.edu/services/admin/dearabby.html>

Please contact Lance Underwood ([lance\\_underwood@unc.edu](mailto:lance_underwood@unc.edu); 966-2823) with any questions.

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#### 6. February TGIF: Friday, February 25

The February TGIF will begin at 4:30 on 2/25. Please email Jan if you can provide assistance with set-up and/or food contributions.

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#### 7. FHI-UNC Fellowship Program

FHI, in partnership with the UNC School of Public Health (SPH), is offering a new fellowship program for doctoral students and second year masters students -- the FHI-UNC Public Health Fellowship Program. This exciting fellowship program provides students with the opportunity to work with FHI's world-renowned researchers in global health topics such as HIV/AIDS, infectious diseases, and reproductive, maternal and adolescent health. As a part-time research/program assistant, students will have hands-on learning experiences that will expand their research skills as well as make important contributions to specific research studies. The fellowship program between FHI and UNC-SPH will provide year-round support for students in the School of Public Health for a maximum of two years.

While students are FHI-UNC fellow's, they will receive tuition support at UNC-Chapel Hill, a university stipend (commensurate with education and experience), and university health insurance. It is estimated that students will work at FHI approximately 15-20 hours weekly.

Application instructions are available on the web at <http://www.sph.unc.edu/ogh/>. Interested students must submit the application including all required documents to the Office of Global Health by February 28, 2005. All applicants will be notified by FHI by April 5, 2005 regarding the status of their interview and application.

Please contact the Office of Global Health ([ogh@unc.edu](mailto:ogh@unc.edu)) with questions.

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## 8. Identifying Funding Sources for Social Science Research

The GrantSource Library and the Odum Institute for Research in Social Science invite interested faculty and staff to a workshop on searching for funding sources for research, departmental programs, and other scholarly endeavors. Rebecca Rhodes, GrantSource Librarian in the Office of Information and Communications, will provide tips for conducting a funding search and an overview of resources available to researchers through the GrantSource Library.

Date: February 22  
Time: 12:00 to 1:30 pm  
Place: 1 Manning Hall

The workshop will provide instruction in:

- making the most effective use of multidisciplinary funding opportunity databases,
- setting up a customized funding alert in COS and other agency specific mailing lists,
- searching for funding using specialized funding resources, and
- identifying internal funding opportunities.

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## 9. U. S. Census Bureau 2005 Summer Internship Program

The U. S. Census Bureau is accepting applications for its 2005 Summer Internship Program. Internships are available throughout the U. S. Census Bureau including the Demographic Directorate. The Demographic Directorate 2005 Summer Internship Program consists of a paid, ten-week core program. Candidates selected for participation in the Demographic Directorate Summer Internship Program will begin their employment on or about June 1, 2005. Internships with the Demographic Directorate offer qualified applicants an opportunity to work in one of the following areas: Demographic Surveys Division, Housing and Household Economic Statistics Division, and Population Division. Selected interns will have the opportunity to work on a variety of topics such as survey design, population distribution, educational attainment, poverty, housing, family relationships, population estimates, as well as with new data on multiple racial and ethnic identification, immigration, child care, economic status, and HIV/AIDS. Some of the topics above will also be addressed in a global context through internships in the International Programs Center of the Population Division. In addition to these opportunities there will also be several focused internships where the selected candidates will work exclusively with the Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP) data on topics where the SIPP is particularly useful (poverty, program participation, labor force participation to name a few). Some interns will be offered the opportunity to present results from their work at a major conference.

These opportunities represent a chance to investigate a wide variety of social, demographic, and economic conditions for very detailed geographic and demographic categories. The Demographic Directorate Summer Internship Program consists of a combination of substantive work and a series of technical and substantive training seminars. Individuals at all levels (BA, MA, PhD) that are self-starters and highly motivated with excellent analytic, quantitative, computer, and communication skills are encouraged to apply.

For more information about the opportunities within the Demographic Directorate, please contact Jason Devine (jason.e.devine@census.gov). To apply directly, visit the US Census Bureau website: <http://www.census.gov> and click on "Jobs@Census."

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## 10. Internship Opportunity at NIH

The Division of Epidemiology, Statistics & Prevention Research of NICHD seeks applications for summer internships for those interested in various aspects of reproductive, perinatal and pediatric epidemiologic research.

Applications are due by March 1, 2005 but it is always better to get them in sooner rather than later as investigators typically begin to make selections in February.

Program information and application instructions are available at <http://www.training.nih.gov>.

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#### 11. Postdoc Opportunity: Duke University

Duke University's Social Science Research Institute seeks a Postdoctoral Fellow in quantitative methods beginning July 2005. Of particular interest is expertise in longitudinal methods, latent variable models, analyses involving categorical variables, and/or analyses of data generated by multilevel designs. The Fellow would have access to large and complex data sets for developing grant proposals and writing methods-oriented manuscripts, as well as opportunities for collaborative publications with Institute-affiliated scholars. Requirements include: a completed doctoral degree in Economics, Sociology, Marketing, Political Science, or Psychology, and interest/experience in consulting with and teaching social scientists about quantitative methods.

The review of applicants will begin on March 1 and continue until the position is filled. Send a letter detailing professional interests and goals, CV, representative (p)reprints, and three letters of recommendation to: Rick Hoyle, Department of Psychology: SHS, Box 90085, Duke University, Durham, NC 27708-0085.

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#### 12. Career Opportunity: Office of Immigration Statistics

The Office of Immigration Statistics (OIS) seeks individuals for two positions to conduct analysis and research; one for a Statistician/Demographer (GS-1530-13/14) and a second for a Statistician (GS-1530-9/11/12). For more information, go to <http://www.usajobs.gov>, click on "search jobs" and type "Office of Immigration Statistics" in the keyword search.

Please contact Michael Hoefler (202.305.1594), Office of Immigration Statistics, Department of Homeland Security, with questions.

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#### 13. Next TPN Publication Date: March 4, 2005

The next issue of the Training Program News will be delivered to your in-box on March 4.

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