

CPC Training Program News (2.20.2004)

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- 1. Transitions (and more)

Kim Shuey (CPC Postdoc) recently accepted the position of Research Scientist at the Workforce Aging in the New Economy Centre at the University of Western Ontario in London, Ontario.

Also accepting a position at the University of Western Ontario is Andrea Willson (CPC postdoc). Andrea will join the faculty in Sociology beginning Fall 2004.

Christine Erlien (CPC predoc and doctoral student in Geography) was recently elected into Alpha Epsilon Lambda, the National Academic Honor Society for Graduate and Professional Students. Please congratulate Christine on this prestigious honor since membership in the Society is limited to 45 new members in any calendar year.

- 2. Melanie Wasserman's Work on Exhibit at the Center for Documentary Studies

As part of their "Migration Transitions Study," Melanie Wasserman (CPC predoc and doctoral student in HPAA) and Deborah Bender (Research Professor, HPAA and CPC Fellow) asked Latina immigrant women to take photographs related to their migration transitions. These photographs, along with the women's comments, are currently on exhibit at the Center for Documentary Studies in Durham, in conjunction with the Sebastiao Salgado exhibit.

A opening reception for the exhibit is planned for Sunday, February 29, from 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. at Duke University's Center for Documentary Studies. Information on the exhibit may be found at <http://cds.aas.duke.edu/exhibits/nowonview.html>.

- 3. PAA Roommate Search

Are you looking for a roommate for PAA 2004? If so, please email your plans (arrival and departure dates, room and roommate preferences, etc) to Jan (jhsmith@unc.edu) by February 25. A list will be compiled and sent out to everyone by the end of the month.

- 4. Upcoming Research Ethics Workshops

The Annual University Research Ethics Lecture at Carolina, sponsored by UNC's Graduate School, will be held on Tuesday, March 2, 2004, at 5:15 p.m. in 133 Rosenau Hall Auditorium. Dr. Elizabeth Heitman (Professor, Clinical and Research Ethics, Vanderbilt University) will present "Mentoring and the Academic Community." A reception will follow in the auditorium foyer.

Dr. Elad Ziv (Assistant Professor, Department of Medicine, University of California San Francisco) will present "Toward an Ethical Treatment of Race in Genetics Research: An examination of the Significance of Race and Ancestry in Biomedical Research" in 14 Manning Hall On Thursday, March 11, from noon - 1:00 p.m. The presentation is sponsored by the Society and Genes Faculty Working Group at the Odum Institute and organized by Guang Guo (Professor of Sociology and CPC fellow) and Daniel Adkins (CPC predoc and doctoral student in Sociology).

In August 2004, Research Triangle Institute (RTI) will sponsor a national human subjects protection conference, "Roadmap for Success in International Research: Strategies for Protecting Human Research Subjects Abroad." The conference will be held in Chapel Hill, NC on August 2-3, 2004. For program information see the brochure at: <https://register.rti.org/internationalIRB/>

5. Suchindran to Hold Workshop on Multistate Life Tables

Dr. Chirayath Suchindran (Professor of Biostatistics and CPC Fellow) will conduct a workshop on "Multistate Life Tables" on February 26 from 3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. in Room 405.

6. Upcoming Friday Seminars

On February 27, Duncan Thomas (Professor of Economics, UCLA) will present "Iron Deficiency and The Well-Being of Older Adults: Early Results from a Randomized Nutrition Intervention" at noon in Room 405.

CPC alumnus, Valarie King (Associate Professor of Sociology, Demography, and Human Development and Family Studies, Penn State University), will present "Nonresident Father Involvement and Child Well-Being" on March 5 at noon in Room 405.

Please consult the Training Program website for a list of all spring 2004 Friday seminars.

7. Call for Research Residency Proposals

Research residency funds will be available to CPC trainees during summer 2004. These funds are from grants awarded to CPC from the Mellon Foundation and The Paul Humphrey Endowment Award.

Mellon Foundation Population, Urbanization, and Migration Processes

Fieldwork research residency funds in support of research addressing migration and urbanization issues and processes in developing countries are available to all CPC trainees. The thematic areas include:

- 1. demography of urban areas
- 2. urban labor markets
- 3. reproductive health services in urban settings
- 4. links between urban and rural areas
- 5. other (e.g., environmental and ecological effects on reproductive function)

The Paul Humphrey Award

Paul Humphrey established an endowment fund at CPC in May, 2001, with proceeds matched by other center funds. Mr. Humphrey's desire is that the gift be used toward activities that can have a direct effect on population growth, within the context of CPC's research and research training mission. Support is available for a CPC trainee to travel to a developing country for research to collaborate with a local population or development organization on a service activity directly addressing population growth.

Please submit your proposal to Jan Hendrickson-Smith (jhsmith@unc.edu) by Monday, March 29, 2004. Proposals must include:

- * a title,
- * a budget and a brief budget justification,
- * a cv of the researchers to be included (2-page biosketch is fine), and
- * a time line (it is expected that most requests will not exceed 12 months and work MUST be completed by September 2005).

The proposal should be no more than 1000 words (double spaced).

8. February TGIF: February 27

The February TGIF will be held on the 27th, beginning at 4:30 p.m. in Room 405.

9. February Postdoc Lunch: February 25

The next postdoc lunch will be held on Wednesday, February 25, from 12:15-1:15 in Room 405. Please email Jan if you are interested in attending.

10. Free Tax Help Available

Free tax help is available to the University community through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program. Assistance with the calculation of taxes and preparation of tax forms is provided free of charge by Master of Accounting students from the UNC Kenan-Flagler Business School, and Law Students from the UNC School of Law. Volunteers are trained to assist those with gross household incomes of \$50,000 or less, who do not itemize deductions, and who are not self-employed.

Note: VITA volunteers do not have appropriate training to assist those holding international visas.

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Assistance is available at the following two locations on campus:
CHEEK-CLARK BUILDING, 505 West Cameron Avenue, and
GILES-HORNEY BUILDING 103 Airport Drive (off Airport Road).

For an appointment, call 1-888-265-1721. Appointments are encouraged, but not required.

11. Next TPN Publication Date: March 5, 2004

The next issue of the Training Program News will be delivered to your in-box on March 5, 2004.

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