

CPC Training Program News (8. 20. 2004)

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1. Transitions (and more)

Updates

Mikhail Bontch-Osmolovski (CPC predoctoral trainee; PhD student in Economics) accepted a research internship at the World Bank and is on leave from CPC until May 2005. He continues to receive email through his UNC account at bontchos@email.unc.edu.

Kim Shuey (2001-2004 CPC postdoctoral scholar) began her position as Senior Scientist at the University of Western Ontario's "Workforce Aging in the New Economy" on August 1. Kim may be reached via email at kshuey@uwo.ca.

Andrea Wilson (2001-2004 CPC postdoctoral scholar) began as Assistant Professor of Sociology at the University of Western Ontario this month. She may be reached via email at wilson@uwo.ca.

Partings

David Kennedy (2002-2004 CPC postdoctoral scholar) completes a two-year CPC postdoctoral fellowship at the end of August. David accepted the position of Research Associate with the MEASURE project where he will coordinate the activities of the AIDS Care, Treatment, and Support Monitoring and Research Toolkit (ACTSMART) project. He may be reached via e-mail at dkennedy@unc.edu.

Beginnings

Michael Bacon (first year doctoral student, Geography) began an IGERT predoctoral traineeship in population and environment on August 15. Michael will work with Steve Walsh on population-environment interactions in the Ecuadorian Amazon. He may be reached via email at baconm@email.unc.edu. His office is in 308F West.

Emily Bobrow (second year doctoral student, MCH) begins a CPC traineeship this month. She will work with Shelah Bloom on maternal and child health issues in international HIV/AIDS and nutrition. Emily may be reached via email at ebobrow@email.unc.edu. Her office is in 302A.

Ashley Carse (first year doctoral student, Anthropology) began an IGERT predoctoral traineeship in population and environment on August 15. Ashley will work with Flora

Lu Holt and Dick Bilsborrow on population-environment interactions in Latin America. He may be reached via email at acarse@email.unc.edu.

Darren Dahly (second year doctoral student, Nutrition) begins a CPC traineeship this month. Darren continues his work, started last year with Linda Adair, on maternal and child nutrition in developing countries, fetal programming, and measuring urbanicity and its effects on diet. He may be reached via email at dahly@email.unc.edu.

Matthew Loyd (second year doctoral student, Sociology) begins a CPC traineeship this month. He will work with Glen Elder on issues surrounding work and family responsibilities over the life course. Matthew may be reached via email at lloydm@email.unc.edu.

On a personal note, Matthew was married in May to Risa Applegarth. Congratulations Matthew and Risa!

Megan Parker (first year doctoral student, Nutrition) arrived in Chapel Hill last month to begin a CPC traineeship. Megan will work with Peggy Bentley on issues related to HIV/AIDS, and feeding practices in Malawi. She may be reached via email at parkerm@email.unc.edu.

Tetyana Shvydko (second year doctoral student, Economics) begins a traineeship this month where she will work with Tom Mroz on issues of household decision making. Tetyana may be reached via email at tshvydko@email.unc.edu.

2. Spring-Summer 2004 Progress Reports Due Today

Progress reports for spring-summer 2004 are due today (8/20). Please use the report template available on the network at:
`sys2:\wp\ski\backup\CPCTraining\progressreporttemplate.doc`. Rename the file, `yourlastname_spsum2004pr.doc`, and send it to Jan Hendrickson-Smith as an email attachment.

3. CPC Orientation - August 30, 3:00 - 4:30

Mark your calendars! The 2004-05 CPC Orientation will be held on Monday, August 30, from 3:00 - 4:30 p.m. in Room 405. Presentations by the various CPC Cores will provide rich information concerning services and "how tos" around CPC. Attendance at the CPC Orientation is required for trainees.

4. Friday Seminar Kick-off on August 27: Dr. Richard Bilsborrow

The fall 2004 Friday seminar series begins on August 27. Dr. Richard Bilsborrow will kick-off the series with "Population and the Environment: Explorations in the Ecuadorian Amazon" at noon in Room 405.

5. Training in Research Ethics Opportunity

The School of Medicine will sponsor a five session, week long colloquium in research ethics beginning August 23. The workshop will be held on five consecutive days, August 23-27, from 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. in Room G-202 of the Molecular Biomolecular Research Building. Each of the sessions will fulfill one of the four research ethics requirements for CPC trainees. Registration is required to attend the individual sessions. Please contact Rhonda Scott (3-9986; rhonda_squires@med.unc.edu) to register.

Lecture Schedule:

August 23: Data Management, Associate Professor Ellen Weiss (Cell and Developmental Biology). Records, interpretation bias, data ownership. Small group discussions.

August 24: Publication and Peer Review, Associate Professor Ellen Weiss (Cell and

Developmental Biology). Reporting research findings, honesty, integrity and plagiarism, joint authorship, privileged information, conflict of interest, anonymity. Small group discussions.

August 25: Intellectual Property, W. Mark Crowell (Associate Vice Chancellor for Economic Development, UNC-CH). Copyright laws, software ethics, university/industry relations, consultants, conflict of interest.

August 26: Use of Animals and Human Subjects in Biomedical Research, Dr. Robert Lowman (Associate Vice Chancellor for Research, UNC-CH). Ethics and research, IACUC and IRB, government regulations.

August 27: UNC-CH Guidelines for Research, Professor Rudy Juliano (Pharmacology). Policies and procedures.

6. Invited Lecture: Dr. Bjorg Evjen Olsen on September 2

The MEASURE project will sponsor a lecture by Dr. Bjorg Evjen Olsen of the Centre for International Health at the University of Bergen, Norway and the Haidom Lutheran Hospital in Arusha Tanzania. Dr. Olsen will present "Maternal Mortality in the Highlands of Tanzania" on Thursday, September 2 at noon in Room 405. Bjorg grew up in rural Tanzania and has a lifetime of experience with health services there.

Drinks and cookies will be provided.

7. Odum Institute Fall 2004 Short Courses

Each semester the Odum Institute offers a series of short courses on advanced research techniques and methods for faculty, graduate students, and university staff. For example, a four-day long overview of SAS will be offered on September 13, 14, 15, and 17 from 3:00 -5:00 p.m., and a three-day course in STATA on September 29, 30, and October 1. Most short courses are held in Manning Hall.

A complete list of courses for fall 2004 is available on the web at <http://www2.irss.unc.edu/irss/shortcourses/fall2004shortcoursesched.pdf>.

8. Recruitment: Undergraduate CPC IGERT Internships

The Carolina Population Center is soliciting applications from underrepresented populations for an undergraduate internship within its Spatial Analysis Unit for the 2004-2005 academic year. Two internships positions are available, both beginning in fall 2004, with the possibility of funding through the summer of 2005. Interns will work a maximum of 200 hours (at \$12 per hour) per semester.

Additional information is available on the web at <https://www.cpc.unc.edu/training/0405internship.pdf>.

9. Postdoctoral Fellowship Opportunity: DHS

The Demographic and Health Surveys (DHS) program at ORC Macro is offering two fellowships, each for a period of two years. The fellowship program is funded by USAID with goals to provide further training for developing country researchers and to contribute to the further analysis of DHS data.

Candidates must hold a doctoral degree in demography, epidemiology, or the social sciences and be knowledgeable about the DHS program and DHS data files. Other requirements include the ability to perform data processing and statistical analysis, and fluency in English. Only candidates who are developing country nationals will be considered. Preference will be given to candidates who are already in the U.S. due to problems with obtaining visas and the cost of international recruiting. Fellows will receive an annual salary of \$40,000, health benefits, and assistance with relocation.

Candidates should send an application letter, copies of awards of their educational degrees, visa status in the U.S., and the names of two references by September 1,

2004 to:

Dr. Shea Rutstein
ORC Macro
11785 Beltsville Drive, Suite 300
Calverton, MD 20705

10. Postdoctoral Fellowship Opportunity: Spencer Foundation

The National Academy of Education/Spencer Postdoctoral Fellowship Program seeks applications for the 2005 program. Applicants must have received their PhD, EdD, or equivalent research degree between January 1, 1999, and December 31, 2004. Applications from all disciplines are encouraged, provided that they describe research relevant to education. Selection will be made by a committee of NAE members. Up to twenty postdoctoral fellowships will be awarded in 2005. Awardees will be notified in May 2005.

Fellowships must begin during the 2005-2006 academic year. Fellows will receive \$55,000 for one academic year of research, or \$27,500 for each of two contiguous years, working half-time.

The application is available on the web at
<http://www.nae.nyu.edu/spencer/2005applicationpacket.pdf>.

11. Career Opportunity: USC Sociology Faculty Position

The Department of Sociology at the University of Southern California is searching for a tenure-track, assistant or associate professor position, to start in Fall 2005. Applicants with strong research and teaching records or promise of scholarly excellence in social stratification and/or sociological theory are sought. Send a letter of application, CV, samples of written work, evidence of teaching effectiveness, and three letters of recommendation by October 22, 2004 to:

Pierrette Hondagneu-Sotelo, Search Committee Chair
Department of Sociology
University of Southern California
Los Angeles, CA 90089-2539.

12. Career Opportunity: University of Florida Faculty Position

The Department of Sociology invites applications for a tenure-track Assistant or Associate Professor of Sociology with primary research interests in environment and society, to begin as early as August, 2005. Candidates are sought with interests in all topics within environmental sociology, but preference will be given to those whose work addresses the human dimensions of environmental change (such as causes of land use/cover change, water or air pollution, climate change, or resource consumption); the implications of environmental change for human health; or racial and socioeconomic disparities in the effects of environmental change. Past participation in project grants and experience working across disciplines, particularly with biophysical scientists is preferred. The successful candidate will be expected to continue an active research agenda, including the pursuit of external funding and participation in interdisciplinary research efforts, in addition to participating in the Department's undergraduate and graduate teaching program.

Candidates must have a Ph.D. in Sociology by August, 2005. Further information on the Department and environmental research at the University of Florida is available on the web at <http://www.soc.ufl.edu/environment/>. Applicants should submit a letter of application, along with a CV, and the names and addresses of three references to:

Stephen G. Perz, Search Committee Chair
Department of Sociology
P. O. Box 117330
University of Florida

Gainesville, FL 32611-7330.

The deadline for receipt of applications is November 1, 2004. The University of Florida is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer with a strong commitment to diversity.

13. Career Opportunity: Director of Research and Policy - CLA

The Council of Latino Agencies (CLA), a non-profit membership organization in Washington D.C. focusing on policy research and advocacy of DC Latinos, seeks a Research and Policy Director with advanced social science training, 3-5 years field experience in community-driven research, strong written and verbal communication skills, abilities to analyze survey and qualitative data, synthesize policy findings, and effectively report to a variety of target audiences. Preference will be given to candidates with demonstrated abilities to design, implement, monitor and evaluate research projects, and with former grant writing experience.

The successful candidate will share CLA's commitment to poverty alleviation, social and economic justice, and giving a voice to the city's growing Latino population. Bilingual Spanish/English required. Salary commensurate with experience; submit resume or CV, cover letter and brief writing sample to rlieva@consejo.org.

14. Career Opportunity: CDC Statistician/Demographer

The Division of Reproductive Health (DRH) at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta seeks a Statistician/Demographer.

The position is with the Demographic Research and Program Evaluation Team (DRPET) in the Maternal and Infant Health Branch of DRH. The purpose of the position is to participate in the development and management of statistical and demographic research activities related to reproductive health surveys and public health surveillance activities. Surveys conducted by DRPET relate to reproductive health, family planning, fertility, maternal and child health, and are conducted in international settings including Latin America and the Caribbean, Eastern Europe, and the former Soviet Union, and Africa.

The candidate will identify research opportunities and apply expertise in demography and statistics to the design and implementation of projects, will conduct secondary analyses of data, and participate in the presentation, publication, and dissemination of research findings. The position entails 20-25% international travel.

This is a permanent, full-time civil service position at the GS-12 and GS-13 levels, open to applicants with Master's or doctoral degrees with two years work experience preferred. Spanish, French, or Russian language proficiency also desirable.

The position is being posted via QuickHire, a new web-based application procedure that requires candidates to respond to a series of questions on a website. The application must be completed no later than August 25, 2004. More information on how to apply can be obtained on the web at <http://vaps.hrmo.cdc.gov/viwdetail.asp?AnnouncementNumber=1-04-1756&QuickHireAnnouncement=Y>

Contact Mary Goodwin (mgoodwin@cdc.gov; 770.488.6232), Paul Stupp (pstupp@cdc.gov; 770.488.6234), or Tim Johnson (tjohnson@cdc.gov; 770.488.6236) for additional information.

15. Next TPN Publication Date: September 3, 2004

The TPN resumes its bi-weekly publication schedule with this issue. The next issue of the Training Program News will be delivered to your in-box on September 3.

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