

CPC Training Program News (11.24.2006)

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1. Action Items for CPC Trainees

Please be sure to check and respond to CPC-related deadlines, due dates, and time-dependent opportunities in:

4. November-December Training Program TGIF
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2. Transitions (and more)

**** Beginnings ****

Dr. Keila Gomes (CPC Visiting Scholar) arrived in Chapel Hill last week to begin a research collaboration, in the area of adolescent postpartum contraceptive use, with Dr. Ilene Speizer (CPC Faculty Fellow). Professor Gomes holds a Ph.D. in Maternal and Child Health from the University of Sao Paulo, and now serves on the nursing faculty at the Federal University of Piaui in Brazil.

Keila will be in residence at CPC through August 2007, and may be reached via email at keilag@yahoo.com. Her office is in C213 CPC North.

**** Alumni Update ****

Congratulations to Dr. Elizabeth Sutherland (CPC Predoc, 2003-06; 2006 Ph.D, Maternal and Child Health) on her new position as Associate Scientist in the Health Services Research Division of Family Health International.

Beth may be reached via email at ESutherland@fhi.org.

**** Professor Ashu Handa in Nairobi ****

Dr. Ashu Handa (CPC Faculty Fellow) will be on leave from UNC-CH in 2007. Professor Handa will be based in the UNICEF's regional office in Nairobi, where he will work on policy issues related to social protection and orphan and vulnerable children. He welcomes members of the CPC family to stay with him in Nairobi if passing through the region, and is available to assist colleagues in setting up collaborative partnerships in the region with UNICEF or other research and policy organizations in Eastern and Southern Africa.

Professor Handa can be contacted in Nairobi via email at shanda@email.unc.edu.

3. Upcoming CPC Friday Seminars

The last seminar of the semester will be presented by Dr. Oksana Leukhina (Assistant Professor of Economics and CPC Fellow) on December 1. Professor Leukhina will present "Accounting for Labor Force Participation of Married Females: the case of the U.S. since 1959" at noon in Room 405 CPC East.

The spring 2007 series will kick-off on January 12 with a presentation by John Stover (President, Futures Institute).

4. November-December Training Program TGIF

The next Training Program TGIF will be a combined November-December event on 12/1, beginning at 4:30 in Room 405 CPC East. Please join the Training Program community for an early evening of games and refreshments.

Please email Jan if you plan to bring food or drink, or can assist with the set-up.

5. CPC Holiday Events

Mark your calendars for the CPC holiday party on December 11, and the Center's holiday breakfast on December 18. Invitations will follow with details and RSVP instructions.

6. NIH Funding Process Seminar: April 2007

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) and local partners will sponsor an NIH Regional Seminar on the NIH funding process -- from application preparation to post-award administration. The seminar will take place April 24-26, 2007, at the Sheraton Imperial Hotel in Research Triangle Park, North Carolina.

Please visit (<http://research.unc.edu/grantsource/documents/NIHSeminarAnnouncement.pdf>) and (http://www.ncbiotech.org/services_and_programs/intellectual_exchange/2007NIHRegionalSeminar.html) for additional information.

7. UNC-CH Undergraduate Internship Opportunity

The Summer Pre-Graduate Research Experience (SPGRE) Program is a ten-week research-intense program designed for undergraduate students interested in the social and behavioral sciences, physical and computational sciences, life and biomedical sciences, humanities, and environmental studies. Participants will work with faculty, postdoctoral fellows, and graduate students at UNC-Chapel Hill and have the opportunity to participate in social activities, special seminars related to research and graduate programs, and a GRE preparatory workshop.

SPGRE 2007 will take place from May 20-July 27. Students will produce a paper as their finished product and will also present their research at a poster session. Undergraduate participants will receive a stipend of \$3,200 and a food allowance of \$1,450. Housing is provided and travel is reimbursed up to \$500.

Please visit the SPGRE website (<http://www.ibiblio.org/res/>) or contact Kathy Wood (919.962.2509; kathy_wood@unc.edu) for additional information.

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