



CPP AFFILIATE NEWS - Friday, March 28, 2008

For more information about the Cornell Population Program (CPP), please visit the CPP's Web site at <http://www.cpp.cornell.edu/> . If you would like to see additional information disseminated to CPP affiliates, please e-mail your suggestions to Erin Oates (eo73@cornell.edu).

NEW CPP AFFILIATES

William C. Block, Director of CISER

SEMINARS

CPP-Sponsored Seminars

Friday, April 4th (12:00-1:00PM in Room B32 Warren Hall)

David Sahn, International Professor of Economics, Cornell University

Ability, Grade Repetition, and School Attainment in Senegal: A Panel Data Analysis

Other Population-Relevant Seminars at Cornell

Monday, March 31st (4:15-5:30PM in Room 115 Ives Hall)

W. Bentley MacLeod, Professor of Economics, International & Public Affairs, and Law at Columbia University

Performance and Pay Wage Inequality

Tuesday, April 1st (3:30PM in Rushmore Conference Room, 114 MVR Hall)

Marcy Carlson, School of Social Work at Columbia University

The Prevalence and Correlates of Multipartnered Fertility Among Urban U.S. Parents

Tuesday, April 1st (4:00PM in Room 494 Uris Hall)

Assaf Razin, Friedman Professor of Economics, Cornell University

Immigration and the Welfare State: Political Economy Insights

WORKSHOPS

Cornell Workshops

Worker Power and the '08 Election: Is Change for Real?

ILR is pleased to announce "Union Days 2008," to be held April 9-10. The event features Keynote Speaker, Arlene Holt Baker, Executive Vice President, AFL-CIO (April 9th, 4:30-6:00pm, 105 Ives Hall); Social Justice Career Fair (April 10th, 1:00 - 4:00pm, Ives Hall Lobbies); and Panel Discussion: Labor & Politics (April 10th, 4:30-6:00pm, 105 Ives Hall). The two-day event is free and open to the public. For more information, please visit <http://www.ilr.cornell.edu/events/UnionDays2008.html>.

CISER Computing User Training

Thursday, April 3, 2008 from 4:30-6:00PM in Stone Lab, Mann Library. Designed for

Cornell faculty, staff, or graduate students doing social science research who wish to use CISER's computing resources. Learn how to use and manage your Athena account, including how to safely store your files, transfer files to and from your local PC, print from the Athena nodes, avoid account lockouts, and much more. Registrants who do not yet have a CISER computing account should apply for one (prior to the workshop) via the CISER website at http://www.ciser.cornell.edu/athena_newacct.shtml. For more information visit, <http://ciser.cornell.edu/ASPs/workshops.aspx>.

Introduction to SPSS, Part 2

Tuesday, April 1, 2008 from 4:00-7:00PM in Stone Lab, Mann Library. Topics covered include importing data from other formats, basic SPSS programming, merging datasets, creating new variables using the COMPUTE, RECODE, and IF commands, selecting subset of cases, data cleaning, and creating graphs. For more information, visit <http://ciser.cornell.edu/ASPs/workshops.aspx>.

Advanced Stata Workshop

Tuesday, April 8, 2008 from 2:00-5:00PM in Stone Lab, Mann Library. Topics and exercises include accessing automatically saved results, matrices, macros, loops, writing programs, ado-files. Prerequisite: Introductory Stata, Part 1 and Part 2, or substantive Stata experience. For more information, visit <http://ciser.cornell.edu/ASPs/workshops.aspx>.

Advanced SAS Programming: Structured Query Language (SQL)

Friday, April 11, 2008 from 2:00-5:00PM in Stone Lab, Mann Library. Designed for Experienced SAS users wishing to expand their skills. For more information, visit <http://ciser.cornell.edu/ASPs/workshops.aspx>.

Introduction to SPSS Text Analysis for Surveys

Tuesday, April 15, 2008 from 2:00-5:00PM in Stone Lab, Mann Library. Designed for Social Science researchers who wish to analyze text responses to open-ended survey questions. For more information, visit <http://ciser.cornell.edu/ASPs/workshops.aspx>.

External Workshops

Maryland Population Research Center 4th Annual Summer Workshop

The Maryland Population Research Center is pleased to announce the fourth annual summer workshop bringing together criminologists and other population scientists working on related topics. The workshop was originally intended to increase the exchange between criminologists, sociologists who study crime and economists. We seek to continue this successful exchange while encouraging presentations and attendance from a broader set of population scientists. This year's feature talk is by Kathy Edin on Crime and Fathering in the Inner City. There are also several talks on marriage and crime, and the effect of incarceration on crime, death and family formation. We are also featuring two sessions on the relationship between immigration and crime. Please see the following link for the tentative schedule.

The workshop, which takes place on June 2nd and 3rd near Baltimore, MD, costs \$200

to register. This fee includes registration, hotel room for Monday night, and 2 meals each day of the conference. Day registration is also available. For more details, please visit the workshop website at:

<http://www.popcenter.umd.edu/criminologyandeconomics/workshop2008/index.shtml>

Those wishing more information can email conference organizers Peter Reuter (preuter@umd.edu) or Shawn Bushway (sbushway@albany.edu)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Cornell Funding Opportunities

Institute for the Social Sciences at Cornell

The ISS is searching for additional team members for its 2008-2011 theme project: Persistent Poverty and Upward Mobility. Team members will teach no more than two courses in 2009-2010. Each team member will also receive a \$6,000 discretionary budget in support of his/her research within the theme project. Details are at www.socialsciences.cornell.edu. Interested faculty should submit a 7-page, double-spaced proposal and a curriculum vita by Monday, April 7, to socialsciences@cornell.edu. Please e-mail questions or comments to socialsciences@cornell.edu.

External Funding Opportunities

AFL Research Funding Opportunity Announced

OPA has posted a new funding opportunity announcement for one cooperative agreement in Adolescent Family Life (AFL) research. The purpose of this two-year cooperative agreement is twofold: 1) review Title XX (AFL) funded research since the start of the AFL program, systematically developing a summary and assessment of what has been learned and 2) develop options for a future research agenda that builds on past work and is more applied in addressing research topics that will inform interventions and programs that serve adolescents, most particularly Title XX demonstration projects. The deadline for applications is May 15, 2008. See the OPA website, <http://www.hhs.gov/opa/grants/index.html>

Research Grants on African American Marriage and Health

The Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation within the Department of Health and Human Services has contracted Mathematica Policy Research, Inc. (MPR) to commission a series of research briefs examining the link between marriage and health in the African American community.

MPR plans to fund up to six proposals at \$10,000 per award. Proposals are due April 30, 2008.

Priority will be given to proposals that explore one or more of the following research topics:

- How the relationship between marriage and health varies among African Americans by gender, socioeconomic status, ethnic background, or rural/urban status.
- The changing relationship between marriage and health over the life cycle.
- The relationship between marital quality and mental health issues, such as depression or stress.
- The causal pathways connecting marriage and chronic health conditions, especially cardiovascular disease and diabetes, including an examination of the link between marriage and behaviors that may affect these health conditions, such as exercise and eating habits.
- The links between marriage and HIV/AIDS, with a particular focus on the role of marriage as 1) a protective/risk factor in exposure to HIV and 2) an influence on the health status among those living with HIV/AIDS.

For the full RFP, see <http://www.mathematica-mpr.com/amhr/index.asp>

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Demographic Directorate, U.S. Census Bureau, U.S. Department of Commerce
2008 Summer Internship Program

The U.S. Census Bureau, U.S. Department of Commerce, is accepting applications for its 2008 Summer Internship Program. Internships are available throughout the Census Bureau including the Demographic Directorate. The Demographic Directorate 2008 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, 2008. 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.

All of 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. We seek individuals at all levels (BA, MA, PhD) that are self-starters and highly motivated with excellent analytic, quantitative, computer, and communication skills. For more information about the opportunities within the Demographic Directorate, please contact Tallese Johnson at 301.763.2449, or via E-mail: tallese.d.johnson@census.gov. To apply directly, visit the Census Bureau website: <http://www.census.gov> < <http://www.census.gov/> > and click on Jobs@Census,

Student and Research Opportunities, and then Student Temporary Employment Program.

The Department of Commerce and the U.S. Census Bureau are Equal Opportunity Employers and encourage applications from all sources.

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