## ASA Section on Aging and the Life Course



### News from the Chair

## Happy Fall, SALC Members!



We have so much to celebrate as a Section. Congratulations to Jeylan Mortimer and her program committee (Tim Owens, Jane McLeod) for organizing a successful and intellectually stimulating program in Seattle! We had great attendance at all of our sessions and rich discussions that spilled out into the hallways afterward. Plus thank you to the hard work of our Mentoring Committee – Madonna Harrington Meyer (Chair), Janet Wilmoth, Jerald Herting, Stacy Torres, and Adriana Reyes – who organized another epic dinner and program. We had more than 125 attendees!

Leadership of our Section has responsibilities behind the scenes throughout the year and I can attest, from my front-row seat last year,

SALC is in great hands! As we honor several transitions off the leadership and communications team, please join me in expressing our collective thanks for their hard work.

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As Chair, Jeylan steered the ship well, keeping committees organized and communications flowing between ASA and the membership. Another special thanks goes to Jill Suitor, who is completing a three-year term as Secretary/Treasurer of our Section. Jill's organization and good spirit was reflected in all of her work. [Check our her last great act with the Business Meeting notes online!] Thanks also to Andrea Willson and John Reynolds who just completed their three years on SALC Council.

Moreover, after 6 years as our Listserv Coordinator, David Warner is handing over the reigns. We appreciate David's continuous efforts to keep us all informed about our Section activities and announcements. Second, we extend our gratitude to Georgiana Bostean, who is stepping down as Chair of the Membership Committee. She has been very committed to helping us make the threshold of 600 for the last couple of years. Both David and Georgiana are taking well-deserved breaks.

As we look forward to the new academic year, we welcome Debra Street, who is our new Secretary/ Treasurer. We also welcome our two new Council members: Tyson Brown and Hui (Cathy) Liu and our new student representative Rebecca Wang. Finally, thanks to Stacy Torres who will be coming on as the new Listserv Coordinator. I know all of them are ready to get to work!

I hope the great news has reached you through one of our communication channels that we MADE IT TO 600! A very special thank you goes out to the 11<sup>th</sup> hour soldiers who recruited students and colleagues to SALC. Those of you who donated SALC memberships to students at other institutions showed the kind of generosity that has become a hallmark of our Section.

As a result of your great efforts, we have five sessions at the 2017 meeting in Montreal! The ASA 2017 program theme is Culture, Inclusion, and Inequality in Global Context. It takes little stretch of the imagination to see how our work on age, aging, and the life course is centrally relevant to this theme. I hope we can use our Section day to attract more sociologists from across the discipline to see our great work in action!

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## **News from the Chair** (continued from page 1)

## SALC 2017 Program

## Invited Session: International Perspectives on Social Inclusion & Exclusion of Older Adults Organized by Dale Dannefer, Case Western Reserve University

This invited session will feature scholars from the US and other countries who study the social forces and structural arrangements that serve to exclude or include older adults in their communities and civic life. Emphasis will be on differences and similarities in the conceptualization of inclusion/exclusion in US, Canada, and Europe. Panelists will discuss the implications for developing and maintaining age-friendly cities.

### Open Paper Session: Life Course Processes in Global Context Organized by Merril Silverstein, Syracuse University

In an increasingly globalized world, the social conditions that shape life course processes have become more far-reaching than ever before. There are many such examples: The global economy can influence entry into and exit out of the labor force, as well as income security in retirement. Trends in migration and return migration can shape instrumental and emotional relationships between generations. An influx of refugees can shift the age structure of a country, altering dependency ratios. Political regimes can influence the constraints and opportunities available to older individuals and their families. We seek submissions that help us understand either: (1) the ways that trends inherent in globalization influence life course processes in a single country; or (2) comparative work that helps understand how societal differences structure life course processes.

## Open Paper Session: Intergenerational Relations in the Era of Inequality Organized by Jill Suitor, Purdue University

The growing inequality in society has had significant influence on families in nearly every dimension including resource flow between generations, types of living arrangements, and patterns of communication. This open session seeks studies that help us understand how intergenerational relations are affected in an era of economic uncertainty and the backward slide of middle-class families. Topics could include (but are not limited to): parenting and caregiving in a 24-hour economy; student loan debt and the economic independence of young adults; mid-life squeeze of economic support for both adult children and aging parents; financial strain and patterns of family communication.

# Aging and Life Course Roundtable Session Organized by Tyson Brown, Duke University & Hui (Cathy) Liu, Michigan State University

This year, we are bringing back a tradition of the SALC program: thematic roundtables! We will be offering three types of roundtables to which you can submit your paper: (1) Announced thematic topics (e.g., caregiving; early origins of adult health), chaired by a scholar in that topic area; (2) Organized roundtables submitted as a group of 3 to 5 papers with an organizer; (3) Open submissions, which will be organized by topic based on what is submitted. Look for more information and a list of thematic topics in the coming weeks! If you would like to chair a thematic roundtable or organize a set of papers for a roundtable, please contact Jessica Kelley-Moore, Tyson Brown and Hui (Cathy) Liu.



## Matilda White Riley Distinguished Scholar Lecture Followed by SALC Business Meeting

Madonna Harrington Meyer, 2016 recipient of the MWR Award (see page 4), will deliver a scholarly lecture. The SALC Business Meeting will follow immediately.

This issue of the newsletter contains lots of important information, highlights our 2016 award winners, spotlights two of our emerging scholars, and reports our Section business. Please take a moment to get caught up with all of our exciting news!

## **Presentation of ASA Section Awards 2016**

## **Graduate Student Paper Award: Katie Fallon and Casey Stockstill**

University of Wisconsin Madison

"The Condensed Courtship Clock: How Elite Women Manage Self-Development and Marriage Ideals."

Selection Committee: Joseph Hermanowicz (chair), Jay Gubrium, Steven Hitlin, Kristen Schultz Lee, and Jennifer Montez







Katie Fallon

## **Outstanding Publication Award:**

#### Corey Abramson

Assistant Professor, Sociology, University of Arizona

The End Game: How Inequality Shapes Our Final Years (Harvard University Press 2015)

Selection Committee: Stefanie Mollborn (Chair), Janel Benson, Mark Hayward, and Richard Miech.



Corey Abramson



## **Congratulations to New SALC Officers!**



Chair-Elect

(1-year term begins in 2017) Pamela Herd, University of Wisconsin-Madison



Secretary-Treasurer (3-year term begins in 2016) Debra Street, University at Buffalo, SUNY



Council Member (3-year term begins in 2016) Tyson Brown, Duke University



Council Member (3-year term begins in 2016) Cathy Liu, Michigan State University



Student Representative (2-year term begins in 2016) Rebecca Wang, Syracuse University

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# Madonna Harrington Meyer Receives 2016 Matilda White Riley Distinguished Scholar Award

From Jessica Kelley-Moore's award presentation at the 2016 SALC Business meeting:

As Chair of the 2015-2016 Matilda White Riley Distinguished Scholar Committee, which also included Andrea Willson, John Reynoldsand Angie O'Rand, I am honored to announce the 2016 awardee. The committee selected Madonna Harrington Meyer, who is the Laura J. and L. Douglas Meredith Professor for Teaching Excellence and Chair of the Department of Sociology at Syracuse University.

Since receiving her Ph.D. from Florida State, Madonna has accumulated more than two decades of sociological research on retirement and later-life economic wellbeing, particularly through the lens of the gendered welfare state. Much of her work has had a special focus on Social Security. Her contributions have highlighted the inter-linkages between family, work, health, and social policy. The MWR Distinguished Scholar Selection Committee praised the fact that her work has made critical contributions across research, theory, and policy analysis. The committee was especially laudatory regarding her involvement with national policy initiatives, putting her own research to work for the improvement of the lives of older adults.

Madonna has been honored with the Richard Kalish Innovative Publication Award from the Gerontological Society of America not just once, but twice. The first time was for her book co-authored with Pamela Herd called *Market Friendly or Family Friendly? The State and Gender Inequality in Old Age* (2007; Russell Sage Foundation), which was part of the American Sociological Association's Rose Series in Sociology. She again won the Kalish Award for her book *Grandmothers at Work: Juggling Families and Jobs* (2014; NYU Press). Through the lens of older women who continue to work for pay and provide care for their grandchildren, this book provides a timely and important discussion of the crisis in social policy at the nexus of work and family.

In addition to her own writing, she published two recent edited volumes, one on *Grandparenting in the United States* co-edited with Ynesse Abdul-Malak (2016; Baywood Press) and *Gerontology: Changes, Challenges, and Solutions,* co-edited with Elizabeth A. Daniele (2016; Praeger Publishing). Notably, and a mark of her commitment to mentorship, the co-editors of both of these volumes were graduate students.

We have seen Madonna's commitment to the discipline of sociology and to SALC through her various roles on editorial boards, Associate Editor, and multiple offices in our professional organizations. Perhaps most visibly in our Section, Madonna chairs the Mentoring Committee for SALC and was instrumental in the organization of our successful Mentoring Dinner in Seattle. As one committee member described it, Madonna is "the total package." We look forward to her Distinguished Scholar talk next year in Montreal.

Congratulations, Madonna!!

## 2016 Matilda White Riley Distinguished Scholar Award



## Madonna Harrington Meyer

Laura J. and L. Douglas
Meredith Professor for Teaching
Excellence and Chair of the
Department of Sociology,
Syracuse University

## Journal Showcase: Journal of Women and Aging

http://www.tandfonline.com/loi/wjwa20

Through a variety of disciplines and a blend of scholarly and clinical articles, the *Journal of Women & Aging* provides practitioners, educators, researchers, and administrators with a comprehensive guide to the unique challenges facing women in their later years. The journal publishes qualitative and quantitative studies that focus solely on women or compare men and women.

Recent articles include topics such as: mental health; retirement decisions; caregiver stressors; physical health and functioning. Many articles study special populations of older women, including single women; sexual minorities; or domestic workers. It is also an ideal outlet for research on women in countries other than the U.S. Aine Ni Leime (featured in this newsletter on page 5) recently published her work in this outlet: "Older Women Public Sector Workers in Ireland: Decisions about Retirement Timing" [2016]. *Journal of Women and Aging* publishes six issues per year.

Its five-year impact factor is 1.049. It is indexed in Thomson Reuters (ISI); MEDLINE; PubMed; and PsycINFO.

## Five Questions for... Pamela Herd

#### Hometown?

I grew up in Collinsville, CT. If you've ever watched the Gilmore Girls, it's pretty close to that version of small town Connecticut. One of my favorite memories involves our local public librarian. She was one of Katherine Hepburn's sisters—and sounded exactly like her. She smoked like a chimney and terrified us into silence. But I spent a lot of time in that library and she made that place really wonderful.

### **Proudest Accomplishment?**

Professionally, at least so far, my term as the Principal Investigator on the Wisconsin Longitudinal Study is high up on the list. Social science is unique relative to most other sciences in that we share our data. To be responsible for producing data, to see them used by countless other researchers, and to see the science that comes to fruition from that use, is incredibly rewarding.

### Your first-ever job?

I waitressed at a Friendly's (I think only New Englanders are familiar with this chain!). I was not an especially good waitress.

#### A surprising fact about yourself?

I worked for a summer in Alaska as a college student gutting fish and processing roe. My closest friend in college and I thought it would be a great way to 'see' Alaska. Needless to say, 14-16 hour days--and the sheer filth involved--shifted my idea of what constituted hard work. A tough article revision or late night grant writing session pales in comparison!

## 2017 SALC Chair-Elect



Pamela Herd

Professor of Public Affairs and Sociology,
University of Wisconsin-Madison,
Director, Center for Demography of
Health and Aging

## Best piece of professional advice you've ever received?

The best advice I've received is to just keep putting one foot in front of the other—slow and steady wins the race. We face a lot of rejection in this profession. We also have to work in small increments on things that can take a long time to come to fruition. Persistence, however, does pay off.

## Emerging Scholar Profile: Dr. Áine Ní Léime



Dr. Áine Ní Léime

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Fellow, Department of Sociology,
Case Western Reserve University
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**Dr. Áine Ní Léime,** is a visiting Marie Sklodowska-Curie International Outgoing Fellow, being hosted in the Department of Sociology at Case Western Reserve University (CWRU). Her mentor is Professor Dale Dannefer and she uses a life course approach to analysis. She is working on a qualitative research project, comparing the gendered implications of Extended Working Life (EWL) policies for older workers in Ireland and the US. The research is funded by the European Union's Framework Programme Seven and involves interviewing 30 men and 30 women in different occupations – healthcare workers, janitors, teachers and academic faculty - in the US, on their work-life history and their views on EWL policy. The study is designed to investigate the varying impacts for people in physically demanding and sedentary occupations, for male and female workers and for those in precarious and secure jobs.

Aine has thoroughly enjoyed and benefitted from the intellectual and social interaction with colleagues, graduate students and staff in the Department of Sociology at CWRU; she has attended courses, participated in informal study groups, given seminars and is developing joint papers with departmental colleagues. She also appreciates the research participants who generously shared their experience, enhancing her understanding of life in the US. During her stay, she has organised and participated in several symposia at major

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conferences in the US and will present a paper on her research findings at the GSA in November, 2016. She has also presented at conferences in the UK, the Netherlands, Germany and Ireland and was recently an invited speaker at SUNY Syracuse. Her stay at Case Western Reserve University has also proved very fruitful in terms of research outputs. Her paper entitled 'Gender and age implications of extended working life policies in the US and Ireland', based on the project and co-authored with Professor Debra Street was recently published in *Critical Social Policy*.

She is the elected Chairperson of COST Action IS1409 entitled Gender, Health and Extended Working Life an international research network. This network is funded (€519,000) by the European Union and runs for four years from 2015-2019. It has members from 32 countries in Europe, the US and elsewhere. Its role is to build international research capacity on EWL, through publications, funding applications, training for early career researchers and policy events. One result of this collaboration is a book entitled: *Gender, ageing and longer working lives: international analysis from a critical perspective.* which critically analyses EWL policy from a gender perspective in seven countries (including the US), to be published by Policy Press in July, 2017. Dr. Ní Léime is lead editor and author of three chapters.

Finally, she is looking forward to holding a wrap-up Policy Workshop at the Social Justice Institute in CWRU on November 29, 2016. Professor Debra Street will give a keynote presentation; selected project findings will be presented and workshop participants will discuss policy proposals. She returns to Ireland in February, 2017 to conduct the Irish portion of the research, following a (politically) fascinating, enriching and enjoyable two years at CWRU.

### **Emerging Scholar Profile: Blakelee Kemp**

"I am a dual-title PhD student in Sociology and Gerontology at Purdue University. My interests include racial and ethnic health disparities, early origins of adult morbidity and premature mortality, as well as the use of biomarkers to detect the physiological and genetic imprint of social stressors. The main objective of my research is to explore the processes of risk accumulation in early life and across the life course that lead to premature aging.

My major professor is Dr. Kenneth Ferraro, and I am fortunate that through his mentorship, I have had the opportunity to collaborate with other SALC members and outstanding scholars. One of my most recent projects uses the Health and Retirement Study to examine the effects of five domains of childhood misfortune (i.e., low socioeconomic status, poor health) on all-site and selected site-specific cancer prevalence and all-site cancer incidence in adulthood. The findings reveal that the association between childhood misfortune and cancer risk varies by the type and amount of misfortune experienced during childhood. This research underscores the importance of considering multiple domains of misfortune and highlights the risk of accumulated misfortune in early life. In a related project, we found domains of childhood misfortune also have distinct effects on hand-grip strength in later life—a predictor of subsequent functional conditions.



"I am grateful for the opportunity to introduce myself to SALC members and for the support and motivation I have received the past two years as a member."

Beyond examining the detrimental health effects of early life insults, I am also interested in the physiological and genetic damage accrued from such events and experiences in childhood and stretching across the life course. This interest deepened further after completing a seminar on the biology of aging at Purdue. Biomarkers are powerful tools that may eventually enable early detection of age-related diseases and premature mortality, unveiling early opportunities for intervention. Through my research I intend to expand upon the current understanding of early origins of health by giving close attention to processes of accumulation in shaping health trajectories and exploring the utility of biomarkers in assessing the impact of early insults on premature aging." -Blakelee Kemp

## SALC Seeks Nominations of Outstanding Scholarship

Our section has three awards to honor the contributions of SALC members: The Matilda White Riley Distinguished Scholar Award, the Outstanding Publication Award, and the Graduate Student Paper Award. Nominations are **due March 1, 2017**. Please submit names of your colleagues for these important forms of recognition. Self-nominations are also welcome.

## **Outstanding Publication Award**

This annual award honors an outstanding recent contribution to the field of sociology of aging and the life course as determined by the Outstanding Publication Award Committee. Eligible publications include original research reports, theoretical or methodological developments, and policy-related contributions. The outstanding publication can be an article, chapter, or book published within the past three years, though some years only books or only papers will be considered as described below. The committee will consider nominations and self-nominations. The award will rotate between a book and an article (or chapter) at least once every three years. Since journal articles have been awarded the past two years, the 2017 award (i.e., the award that will be given at the 2017 ASA meetings) must go to an outstanding book.

Nominations of publications for the Outstanding Publication Award should be sent to Chair of the Outstanding Publication Award Committee no later than March 1, 2017. Eligible nominations are limited to publications appearing from 2014 to 2016. A single author or one of the coauthors must be a SALC member. Only SALC members are permitted to make nominations. Nominations of publications for the award should be sent to John Williamson (JBW@bc.edu), Chair of the Outstanding Publication Award Committee. Recent award winners are listed at:

http://www.asanet.org/sections/
aging\_sections\_History.cfm.

Deadline is March 1, 2017

## **Graduate Student Paper Award**

This annual award honors the outstanding paper written by a graduate student (or students) member(s) of the Section on Aging and the Life Course, as determined by the Graduate Student Paper Award committee. Papers authored or coauthored solely by students are eligible; faculty co-authorship is not allowed. Eligible student authors include master's students and pre-doctoral student members of the section who are currently enrolled in a graduate program or who have graduated no earlier than December of 2016. Unpublished, under review, accepted, or published papers are eligible. If published, the paper should have appeared within the past two calendar years (e.g., a paper nominated in 2017 may have been published anytime during 2016 or 2015). Unpublished papers should not exceed 9000 words of text (not including references, tables, etc).

All nominations are due by March 1, 2017. Self-nominations are encouraged. To be nominated send an electronic version of the paper to the Chair of the Graduate Student Paper Award Committee along with a completed and signed SALC Grad Student Paper Award Nomination Form. The award consists of \$250 presented to the winner at the Business Meeting of the Section, held during the annual ASA meeting. Nominations for the award should be sent to Ellen Idler, Chair of the Graduate Student Paper Award Committee, at eidler@emory.edu. Recent award winners are listed at:

http://www.asanet.org/sections/
aging\_sections\_History.cfm.

Deadline is March 1, 2017

## Matilda White Riley Distinguished Scholar Award

This annual award honors a scholar in the field of aging and the life course who has shown exceptional achievement in research, theory, policy analysis, or who has otherwise advanced knowledge of aging and the life course.

#### **New This Year!**

We have two ways to nominate a colleague for the MWR Distinguished Scholar Award.

- 1. Submit the name of nominee with a brief justification to the Chair of the MWR Scholar Selection committee by <u>December 1, 2016</u>. The committee will then solicit supporting materials and/or evaluation letters.
- Submit a full nomination of a candidate by <u>March 1, 2017</u>. Letters of nomination should describe the nominee's
  contributions to the study of aging and the life course that warrant consideration. If multiple persons wish to nominate
  a person, we strongly encourage co-signers on a single nomination letter.

Nominations will be carried over for two years. Materials should be sent to Pamela Herd, Chair of the Riley Distinguished Scholar Award Committee, at pherd@lafollette.wisc.edu. Recent award winners are listed at:

http://www.asanet.org/sections/aging\_sections\_History.cfm.

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## Mark Your Calendars for the 2017 ASA Annual Meeting!

The 2017 ASA annual meeting will be held in Montreal, QC August 12 through August 15. Mark your calendars: our section day is Sunday, August 13th.

### **Announcements**

## Call for Paper Submissions and Student Paper Awards

Did you know that SALC has a sister organization within the Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP)? The SSSP *Division of Youth, Aging, and Life Course* ("YALC") is a vibrant community of scholars, teachers, and activists who share many interests with SALC members. Involvement in YALC provides a great way to expand your network and an additional venue to showcase your work.

The call for papers for the 2017 SSSP meeting, held August 11-13 in Montreal, will be published soon (www.sssp1.org). The YALC Division is sponsoring or co-sponsoring these 10 exciting sessions:

- Disability Narratives and Life Course Theory
- Ongoing Debates and New Frontiers in Life Course Research
- Elders in the Lives of Black Urban Youth
- Changes in the Family over the Life Course
- Community Living and Institutionalization
- Mental Health, Juvenile Delinquency, and Crime
- Social Class and Access to Higher Education
- Geography and Human Capital
- Using Photos and Other Visual Media in Community Research and Action
- Youth, Obesity, and Health

The YALC division also annually sponsors a Student Paper Award and the Maggie Kuhn Award for Scholar-Activists. For more information, visit: www.sssp1.org/index.cfm/pageid/1121/m/464

Jennifer Karas Montez YALC Division Chair (2016-2018)

## Now is your chance to help grow our section for the benefit of all!

As you know, our section membership numbers are directly linked to the number of amazing paper sessions SALC is allocated for the following year's annual meetings. More sessions mean more opportunity for your to share your work at ASA.

We hope that you might share with at least one potential new member (perhaps your student, a colleague, etc.) about your SALC experience in order to get the word out that SALC is not just for those who study older adults. Then you can bask in their appreciation for introducing them to our great section.

So, please tell your colleagues and students about SALC today. Every member counts.

### **News from Section Members**

Stacy Torres (University at Albany, SUNY) published an op-ed piece on the changing demographics of LA's Skid Row (increasingly older, immigrant, women of color):

https://nextcity.org/daily/entry/los-angeles-skid-row-elderly-affordable-housing

We're on the web, Facebook and Twitter!

<a href="http://asasalc.org/">http://asasalc.org/</a>

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#### **ASA Awards**

Please also recommend SALC members for ASA's awards (Distinguished Book, Dissertation, Excellence in the Reporting of Social Issues, Jessie Bernard Award, Cox-Johnson-Frazier Award, Public Understanding of Sociology, Distinguished Career Award for the Practice of Sociology, Distinguished Contributions to Teaching, and the W.E.B. DuBois Career of Distinguished Scholarship. Nomination deadline is January 31, 2017.

Information about how to make nominations for these awards is found on the ASA website:

http://www.asanet.org/news-events/calendar/ asa-award-nominations

## **ISRI 2017 Conference Call for Papers**

May 18 - 21, 2017

Groningen, the Netherlands

URL: <a href="http://identityisri.org/call-for-papers/">http://identityisri.org/call-for-papers/</a>

The Program Committee invites submissions for the twenty-fourth annual meeting of the International Society for Research on Identity (ISRI), formerly the Society for Research on Identity Formation (SRIF). The conference will be held at the Van Swinderen Huys Conference Center from 6:00pm, Thursday, May 18th to Noon, Sunday, May 21st, 2015. Membership in ISRI is not required to submit a presentation for consideration or to attend the conference.

Conference Information: ISRI is an interdisciplinary organization and strongly encourages submissions from a diversity of fields such as psychology, sociology, family studies, and anthropology. The committee is particularly receptive to proposals for sessions that are integrative regarding a particular aspect of identity and that encourage discussion. In regard to format, interactive sessions with short introductory statements followed by audience participation are especially welcomed. Posters and individual paper presentations are the best vehicle for purely empirical studies. Well-integrated empirical paper sessions are encouraged. Submissions are due by Tuesday, November 1, 2016. Submission and further information can be found on the conference website at identityISRI.org.

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## **Announcements**

The <u>Harvard Center for Population and Development Studies</u> is currently accepting applications for two postdoctoral fellowships: the **Sloan Fellowship on Aging and Work** and the **David E. Bell Fellowship** and the. The deadline to apply is **Monday**, **December 9**, **2016**.

### Sloan Fellowship on Aging and Work

The Sloan Fellowship is an interdisciplinary, postdoctoral training program that will address the challenges of aging societies and labor force participation. Two selected candidates will conduct self-directed, interdisciplinary research under the guidance of Harvard faculty mentors. In broad terms, projects should shed light on the current challenges of working longer and potential solutions to the ways in which the United States' public and private sectors will need to adapt to an aging work force. Expectations are that the research derived from the fellowship will be used to support improved workplace policies at various institutions as well as increase the public's understanding of aging and labor force challenges. In addition to research and writing, fellows participate in weekly work-in-progress sessions, leadership skill building seminars, and communications & media skills training. Fellows also have access to multiple educational opportunities at Harvard. Two finalists will be selected.

Salary is \$60K/yr plus benefits and a generous research/travel/relocation fund. Open to U.S. and Canadian candidates only. <u>Information and Application Procedure</u>

## The David E. Bell Fellowship

The Bell Fellowship is an interdisciplinary, postdoctoral training program designed for researchers and practitioners in the field of population sciences. Through self-directed research, selected candidates will examine a broad range of critical issues, most from within the HCPDS's focal areas, including: social and environmental determinants of population health; aging societies; and work, family and health. Fellows participate in population science seminars, weekly work-in-progress sessions, leadership skill building seminars, and communications & media skills training. Fellows also have access to multiple educational opportunities at Harvard. Two finalists will be selected.

Salary is \$60K/yr plus benefits and a generous research/travel/relocation fund. Open to both U.S. and international candidates. <u>Information and Application Procedures</u>

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### POPULATION RESEARCH AND POLICY REVIEW

CALL FOR PROPOSALS: SPECIAL ISSUE 2018

Deadline: December 16, 2016

Population Research and Policy Review (PRPR) welcomes proposals for its Special Issue 2018. PRPR intends to publish one Special Issue (SI) each year. This SI will include around five empirical papers together with an introductory editorial that provides a more overarching (theoretical) synthesis of the individual contributions.

## Submission of proposals

The proposal for the SI should be made by the expected guest editor(s) and submitted to the editors-in-chief of *PRPR* (Lynne Cossman: Lynne Cossman@mail.wvu.edu and Jennifer Glick: jeg115@psu.edu). The proposal must include:

- the title of the special issue
- the names and affiliations of the guest editor(s)
- the names and affiliations of the contributing authors
- a one page summary of the theme, overarching aim, timeliness and innovativeness of the SI for publication in *PRPR*. It should be shown that the different papers fit together as a coherent SI.
- all titles and (half page) abstracts of the SI paper contributions

#### Procedure and responsibilities of the guest editor

The SI proposals will be evaluated by the editorial team of *PRPR*. If the proposal is selected, the process of evaluating the contributions will follow the regular review procedure of *PRPR* while the guest editor(s) will take the responsibility of editor(s) of the SI manuscripts. Depending on number and quality of the SI proposals that are submitted in this call, the editorial team may decide to accept one proposal (for 2018), and up to two more for the two sequential years to come. However, in case the editorial team judges that none of the proposals meet the quality standards of the journal, it can also be decided that none of the suggested proposals will be accepted for further development and production.

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Once the editorial team of *PRPR* approves the proposal, the guest editor(s) will be informed of the time line for the production process. The guest editor(s) will from then on be the primary contact person(s) for the contributors to the SI and should inform them about deadlines for submission and further procedures. The full papers for the SI should be uploaded in Editorial Manager (the online submission system) and handled from there by the guest editor(s) who is(are) expected to manage the review process. The editorial office of *PRPR* will assist if needed.

Each paper for the SI will be evaluated by three anonymous reviewers. The guest editorial will not be sent out to external reviewers, but will be evaluated by the editorial team of *PRPR*. After the reviewers' reports have been received, the guest editor(s) decide(s) on the manuscript and inform(s) the authors as well as sets the deadlines for the revised papers to be received. It may occur that one or more of the papers is rejected based on reviewer reports. At this stage the editors-in-chief will be informed about the outcome and, if necessary, make a joint decision on how to proceed. The guest editor is responsible for ensuring that all papers are of sufficiently high quality and form a coherent set of papers for the SI.

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