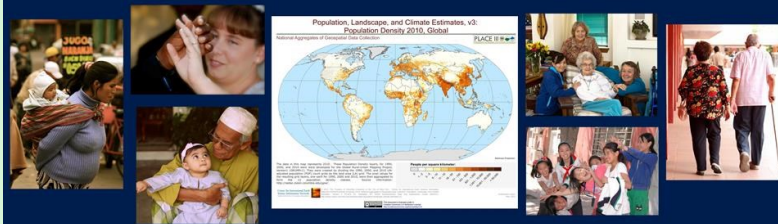


## CENTRE FOR FAMILY & POPULATION RESEARCH



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*wishes you*

*happy holidays*

*and a new year*

*filled with happiness*

*and success!*



## What's coming up in 2015

*CFPR's Official Launch and Conference on Singapore Families*

*Summer Training Programs to be held in May 2015*

### *Conference*

*04-05 Feb 2015 – Conference on Educational Resilience Among Asian Children in Challenging Family Environment*

### *Workshop*

*27 February 2015 – Methodology workshop on secondary data analysis in Asia research by Dr Hu Shu, Research Associate at ARI*

### *Seminars*

*03 Feb 2015 – A tale of Two Chinas: Aging and Family Change in Rural and Urban China by Prof. Merril Silverstein, Marjorie Cantor Endowed Professor in Aging, Syracuse University*

*06 Feb 2015 – Migrant Care Workers in Italy and Taiwan: A Comparative Study by Dr Ko Chyong-fang, Director of Institute for American and European Studies, Academia Sinica, Taiwan*

## About CFPR

The Centre for Family and Population Research (CFPR) was established as a faculty-level center in April 1, 2014 with Prof. Jean Yeung from the Department of Sociology and Asia Research Institute (ARI) as its founding Director.

The Centre is dedicated to the scientific advancement of research and training in the study of global trends, determinants, and consequences of family and population changes, with a specific focus on Asia.

CFPR envisions to provide thought leadership in family and population research, become a regional training centre, bridge research and public policies that affects families, and collaborate with family and population centres around the world.

CFPR's main research themes include marriage and fertility, ageing and health, children and youth, migration, population dynamics, intergenerational relations, human capital, labour force and gender.

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## CFPR News

### **CFPR Opportunities: Grant calls for faculty members and research scholarships for PhD students**

To further boost its research capacity on family and population issues, every year, the Centre provides seed grants to FASS faculty members who are Centre research associates. The first grant call was announced in November 2014 with a deadline of 31 Dec 2014.

CFPR also provides opportunities for students. Two research scholarships are available each academic year for PhD candidates who are interested in completing research on the family and demographic domain.

### **Academic Visitors**

This year, CFPR hosted academic visitors who spoke at our seminars and conferences:

20 Aug 2014: Dr. Bei Wu, Pauline Gratz Professor of Nursing, Duke University School of Nursing

15-18 Oct 2014: Prof. Huang Min-Hsiung, Research Fellow/Professor and Deputy Director at the Institute of European and American Studies, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan

20 – 21 Nov 2014 (co-hosted with ARI) : Dr. Kristin Natalier, Senior Lecturer, University of Tasmania

27 – 28 Nov 2014 (co-hosted with ARI): Prof. Peter McDonald, Professor of Demography, Crawford School of Public Policy, Australian National University

27 – 29 Nov 2014 (co-hosted with ARI): Prof. Peter Xenos, Lecturer, College of Public Health Sciences, Chulalongkorn University

24 Nov – 2 Dec 2014 (co-hosted with ARI) : Prof. Frank Furstenberg, Zellerbach Professor of Sociology, University of Pennsylvania

### **CFPR Events – international conferences and regular seminars**

CFPR organized 2 conferences and 10 seminars that were well-attended by NUS and non-NUS students, researchers, faculty members as well as staff from the government ministries. These seminars touched upon a wide range of topics including single-parent families, ageing, education, migration, divorce, and intergenerational relations .

## CFPR Events

20 August 2014 : *Grandparents raising grandchildren: the impact of caregiving on Chinese olds life satisfaction (joint with Health cluster)* by Dr. Bei Wu, Pauline Gratz Professor of Nursing at Duke University.

29 August 2014 : *Parental migration and adolescents' transitioning to high school in rural China* by Ms Hu Shu, a PhD Candidate from the NUS Department of Sociology and currently a Research Associate at the Changing Family cluster at ARI.

07 October 2014 : *Inventing the authentic self: American television and Chinese audiences in Global Beijing (joint with ARI)* by Dr Gao Yang, Assistant Professor of Sociology at Singapore Management University (SMU)

10 October 2014 : *Immobilized migrancy: family, labor and the law for migrants in the Gulf (joint with Sociology)* by A/P Pardis Mahdavi, Associate Professor at Pomona College and Visiting Senior Research Fellow at ARI

17 October 2014 : *Who participates in after-school tutoring and who benefits from it? A cross-national and inter-grade analysis (joint with Sociology)* by Prof. Huang Min-Hsiung RF/Prof & Deputy Director, Institute of European and American Studies from the Academia Sinica in Taiwan

07 Nov 2014 : *The success frame and the achievement paradox: The Children of Chinese immigrants and Vietnamese refugees in Los Angeles, USA (joint with ARI)* by Prof. Zhou Min, Tan Lark Sye Chair Professor of Sociology at Nanyang Technological University (NTU)

20 Nov 2014 : *Re-conceptualizing child support as an expressive resource and a form of labour: lessons from the Australian case (joint with ARI and SSRC)* by Dr Kristin Natalier, Senior Lecturer in the School of Social Sciences at University of Tasmania

27 Nov 2014 : *Intergenerational relations in aging societies: A future perspective (joint with ARI)* by Prof. Frank Furstenberg, Zellerbach Professor of Sociology at the University of Pennsylvania

01 December 2014 : *Launching an academic career: What you need to know and do (joint with ARI)* by Prof Frank Furstenberg, Zellerbach Professor of Sociology at University of Pennsylvania



A/P Pardis Mahdavi,  
Pomona College



Prof Zhou Min, NTU



Dr Kristin Natalier, University of  
Tasmania with Dr Sharon Quah,  
ARI

## CFPR Events

28 Nov 2014 : Retirement celebration in honor of Prof. Gavin Jones (joint with ARI and Sociology)

This year, we celebrated Prof. Gavin Jones academic achievements. He is a prominent demographer and one of CFPR's steering committee members. Prof. Jones delivered a talk on *Demography as Destiny* which essentially provided his demographic take on Asian development. Other speakers who have worked with Prof. Gavin Jones were also present in the event. Prof. Peter McDonald from Australian National University (ANU), Prof. Peter Xenos from Chulalongkorn University and A/P Maznah Mohamad from NUS shared personal and professional anecdotes about him and his works. Students, colleagues and former staff also made a video tribute and gave testimonials about him as a mentor, colleague and supervisor.

Prof. Prasenjit Duara, ARI Director and Prof. Brenda Yeoh, FASS Dean also attended the event, delivering the opening and closing remarks, respectively.



Photos from <http://www.ari.nus.edu.sg/docs/Webphoto/InCelebrationGavinJones/album/index.html>

## Join us and become a CFPR Research Associate or Affiliate!

If you are an NUS faculty member or PhD student who is working on family and population issues, please send an email to [cfpr@nus.edu.sg](mailto:cfpr@nus.edu.sg) with your updated CV to apply.

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