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Intergenerational Transfer, Human Capital, & Inequality
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CARING FOR ELDERLY IN ASEAN+3: RESEARCH AND POLICY CHANGES IN LONG-TERM CARE

(joint with Asia Research Institute and Singapore Ministry of Foreign Affairs)

Date: Mar 1 & 2, 2016

Venue: Asia Research Institute

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INTERNATIONAL SOCIOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION (ISA) RC28 MEETING ON SOCIAL STRATIFICATION AND MOBILITY

We are pleased to announce that the ISA RC28 Meeting will come to Singapore in 2016 with the theme: *Intergenerational Transfer, Human Capital, and Inequality*. It will be organized by CFPR in collaboration with Nanyang Technological University, School of Humanities and Social Sciences. The conference is supported by NUS Global Asia Institute, Asia Research Institute and the NUS Department of Sociology. Visit the website at <http://www.singaporerc28.com/>.

Conference Dates	26 - 28 May 2016
Abstract submission opens	01 Oct 2015
Abstract submission deadline	10 Dec 2015
Registration opens	15 Jan 2016
Acceptance of abstracts	30 Jan 2016
Deadline for applying for travel awards	15 Feb 2016
Decisions about travel awards will be made by	05 Mar 2016
Registration deadline for authors	15 Apr 2016
Regular registration deadline	15 Apr 2016
Full paper submission deadline	13 May 2016

JOINT CONFERENCE FOR INTERNATIONAL SOCIOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION RC06 (FAMILY) & RC41 (POPULATION)

Date: Dec 11 & 12, 2017 (tentative)

Venue: National University of Singapore

CFPR INTERNATIONAL ADVISORY BOARD

The Centre for Family and Population Research is advised by a distinguished panel of international scholars who have extensive administrative experiences. Their expertise spans different research themes that CFPR aims to examine - marriage, fertility, migration, aging and health, human capital, intergenerational transfer, transition to adulthood, and gender.

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2016 CFPR TRAINING PROGRAM IN SOCIAL SCIENCES

APRIL to JULY at NUS KENT RIDGE CAMPUS

Training programs on social research methods and practice for practitioners, researchers, students, and general learners

- ▶ Strengthen research and practice capability
- ▶ Enhance on-the-job human capital
- ▶ Short and effective courses (2-3 days)
- ▶ Taught by highly qualified NUS faculty members and renowned international scholars
- ▶ Certificate of Attendance from NUS

CFPR Scholarship is available for full-time NUS students

COURSES OFFERED IN 2016

- April 18-19: [Population and Society](#)
- April 25-26: [Social Research Methods](#)
- April 28-29: [Data Analysis with R](#)
- May 5-6: [Quantitative Data Analysis I with SPSS](#)
- May 9-10: [Quantitative Data Analysis II: Multivariate Regression](#)
- June 13-14: [Qualitative Research Methods](#)
- June 15-17: [Multilevel Modeling with R](#)
- June 27-28: [Computer-assisted Analysis of Qualitative Data](#)
- July 4-5: [Propensity Score Matching Analysis](#)
- July 11-12: [Policy Evaluation and Causal Inference using Social and Field Experiments](#)
- July 18-19: [Longitudinal Data Analysis](#)
- July 21-22: [Time Series Data Analysis](#)
- July 25-27: [Structural Equation Modeling with R](#)

TESTIMONIALS FROM PAST PARTICIPANTS

"The theories and methods shared are very practical and can be applied to my current work setting."

"The practical elements of the course were engaging and very useful in my learning."

"Great introduction to statistics, professors were very patient and did not take our knowledge or lack of knowledge for granted. "

"I am able to apply theory to practice almost instantly."



CFPR Lunchtime Seminar Series



Both distinguished professors and junior speakers were invited to present their work and share their views and ideas in the CFPR seminar series. Here is a list of seminars organised by CFPR:

Upcoming Seminars for Year 2016

Seminars are held from 12pm to 1.30pm at Ventus Evans Room unless otherwise noted

15 January: Accumulation with social fragmentation? Building the Neo-liberal Family by Professor Jonathan Rigg, ARI Director and Department of Geography, NUS

22 January: Thermal Comfort and Marital Relations: Evidence from China's Heating Policy by A/P Liu Haoming, A/P Junhong Chu, Department of Economics; and Professor Ivan Pang, Distinguished Professor, Professor of Strategy and Policy, Economics, and Information Systems, NUS

29 January: The Role of Cognitive Ability and Personality Traits for Men and Women in Gift Exchange Outcomes by Professor John Ham, Provost's Chair Professor, Department of Economics, NUS

26 February: Social Exclusion and Cognitive Impairment of Chinese Elderly by Ms Yang Yi, Department of Sociology, NUS

Past Seminars

20 November: Religion and Son Preference in India and Bangladesh: Comparing Hindus and Muslims on Son Preference and Sex Differentials in Child Health by Dr Abhijit Visaria, Postdoctoral Fellow, ARI & CFPR, NUS

16 November: Income and Wealth Inequality in China by Professor Yu Xie, Bert G. Kerstetter '66 University Professor, Sociology Department and Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies, Princeton University

13 November: China Family Panel Studies (CFPS) by Professor Yu Xie, Bert G. Kerstetter '66 University Professor, Sociology Department and Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies, Princeton University

CFPR Lunchtime Seminar Series



30 October: Migration and the Social Structural Correlates of Adolescent Fertility in Vietnam, 1989 to 2009 by A/P Kim Korinek, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Utah and Visiting Senior Research Fellow, ARI & CFPR, NUS

23 October: Complex Households and the Distribution of Multiple Resources in Later Life: Findings from a National Survey by Dr Juyeon Kim, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Seoul

16 October: The Competitive Earning Incentive for Sons: Evidence from Migration in China by Dr Yi Junjian, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, NUS

9 October: Filial Piety from Afar: Migration, Gender and Elderly Care in China by Professor Susanne Y P Choi, Professor, Department of Sociology, The Chinese University of Hong Kong

2 October: What will it cost you today? Gendered Discourses of Parenting in Singapore's National Environment Campaign by A/P Michelle Lazar, Associate Professor, Department of English Language and Literature, NUS

23 September: Fear of Solitary Death and its Impact Factors in Japan's Aging Society by A/P Florian Kohlbacher, Associate Professor, International Business School Suzhou, Xi'an Jiaotong - Liverpool University (joint with Department of Japanese Studies, FASS)

18 September: Implication of Retirement Age Extension for Human Capital in China, 2015-2050 by Dr Feng Qiushi, Assistant Professor, CFPR and Department of Sociology, NUS

4 September: Aging in East Asia: Multilevel Perspectives on Determinants of Social Relationships and Mental Health by Dr Ko Pei-Chun, Postdoctoral Fellow, ARI and CFPR, NUS

21 August: Migrants' transition to adulthood in China: Marriage and job trajectories on the origin-education-gender intersections by Dr Mu Zheng, Postdoctoral Fellow, ARI and CFPR, NUS

CFPR Workshops



[6 November Methodology Workshop: Longitudinal Studies in the Social Sciences](#)
by Professor Jean Yeung, CFPR Director

[26 August Workshop: Exploring Collaborative Research Opportunities at the Intersection of Family, Gender and Social Change](#)
(joint with the Asia Research Institute)



Academic Visitors

23 September: Associate Professor Florian Kohlbacher, International Business School Suzhou, Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University

8-10 October: Professor Susanne Yuk-ping Choi, Department of Sociology, The Chinese University of Hong Kong

22-24 October: Dr Juyeon Kim, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Seoul

13-16 November: Professor Yu Xie, Bert G. Kerstetter '66 University Professor, Sociology Department and Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies Princeton University

CFPR Faculty Development Grant

The CFPR Faculty Development Grant aims to jumpstart research projects in family and population studies. We are looking to fund research ideas that fall within the CFPR's research themes and have the potential to be developed into a larger grant. The grant is open to all FASS faculty members who are CFPR research associates. The recipients for the latest round of grant calls are:



- 1) PI: A/P Lim Sun Sun
Department of Communications and New Media
Project Title: Tablet Use of Pre-schoolers: Family Dynamics, Parenting Practices and Mediation Strategies
Amount: SGD 9,462.50



- 2) PI: A/P Liu Haoming
Co-PIs: Dr Song Chang Cheng & Dr Zhu Shenghao
Department of Economics
Project Title: Population Ageing, Old Age Labour Supply and Bequest Motives in Singapore
Amount: SGD 10,000.00



- 3) PI: A/P Maznah Mohamad
Co-PI: Dr Suriani Suratman
Department of Malay Studies
Project Title: Protecting and Perfecting the Muslim Family: Marriage and Parenthood Education Programmes in Malaysia and Singapore
Amount: SGD 10,000.00



- 4) PI: A/P Thang Leng Leng
Department of Japanese Studies and CFPR
Project Title: Caring for Frail Seniors in the Community: A Solution-based Approach
Amount: SGD 9,893.75

Keep an eye on the next call of the CFPR Faculty Development Grant!

CFPR OPPORTUNITIES

Join us! Send us an email at cfpr@nus.edu.sg with your updated CV to apply. The following positions are available:

1) Research Scholarship for PhD Candidate

CFPR is inviting applications for its research scholarship for PhD candidates. CFPR scholarships are awarded to outstanding PhD candidates interested in completing research on family and demographic topics.

2) Student Volunteer for RC28 Conference

CFPR is inviting student volunteers to help with the preparation and conduct of the RC28 conference to be held on May 26-28, 2016 in NUS. We need students who can commit about 4 to 16 working hours per week anytime from 1st March to 31st May 2016.

3) Faculty Research Associate/Affiliate

4) Postdoctoral/Research Fellow

5) Student Affiliate

6) Intern

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