FAMDEM: Family Analysts Meeting to Discuss Emerging Manuscripts

FAMDEM, originated in Fall 2008, is a friendly, informal group for students, faculty, and postdocs to present early results from (and get feedback on) their research on Family Demography. Families are central to many social processes at the macro and micro levels. Marriage and childcare continue to be highly gendered, with implications for stratification in the workplace. Changes in work and social policy over the past century have had profound implications for social expectations about marriage, fertility, and intergenerational relationships. Families continue to link the opportunities of children to those of their parents and thus families are still central to (re)production of the next generation. These are some of the topics of research FAMDEM members discuss at meetings.

We meet from 1-2 Wednesdays in CLA 2.706 (PRC Conference room)

FAMDEM Participants: If you want to present send an email to kelly.raley@austin.utexas.edu

Upcoming presentations.

September 11. Kick-off meeting. Inbar Weiss presents 2 paper abstracts for submission to PAA.

September 25. Diane Coffey. “Measurement of population mental health: Lessons from a mobile phone survey in India” (informal)

October 23. Christina Caramanis. “The Long-term Effect of Bullying Victimization on Adolescents’ Self-rated Health: Mental Health as a Mediator and Gender as a Moderator.” Discussant: Carolina Aragão

November 6. Joanna Pepin. “Gender Flexibility, But Not Equality: Young Adult’s Division of Labor Preferences”

Recent presentations


May 15. Jennifer Glass. "Estimates of U.S. Mothers' Lifetime Risk of Becoming a Primary Breadwinner" (informal)


March 27. Rachel Donnelly. "Precarious Work and Marital Dissolution among Mid- and Later-Life Adults."

March 27. Hyungmin Cha. "Socioeconomic Disadvantage, Life Course Dynamics, and Sexual Efficacy During the Transition to Adulthood"


January 30. Kelly Musick. "Occupational Inflexibility and Women’s Employment During the Transition to Parenthood" Discussant: Aida Villanueva

January 23. Shih-Yi Chao “Gender Inequality in Housework and Heterosexual Unions in the 2000s” Discussant: Joanna Pepin

Select Publications


Rachel Donnelly, Debra Umberson, and Tetyana Pudrovksa. 2018. "Family Member Death and Subjective Life Expectancy Among Black and White Older Adults." Journal of Aging & Health

Yahirun, Jenjira and Erika Arenas. 2018. "Offspring Migration and Parents' Emotional and Psychological Well-being in Mexico." *Journal of Marriage and Family*


Past Participants currently in academic or research positions

- Jennifer Augustine, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, University of South Carolina
- Kimberly Daniels, Associate Service Fellow at National Center for Health Statistics
- Shih-Yi Chao, Postdoctoral Scholar, University of Southampton
- Michelle Frisco, Associate Professor of Sociology and Demography, Penn State University
- Conrad Hackett, Associate Director, Senior Demographer, Pew Research Center
- Sarah Kendig, Assistant Professor Arkansas State University
- Yujin Kim, Assistant Professor, Kangwon University
- Rhiannon Kroeger, Assistant Professor Louisiana State University
- Janet Kuo, Assistant Professor National Taiwan University
- David McClendon, Principal, January Advisors
- Cate McNamee, Lecturer (tenure track) Queen’s University Belfast
- David Pedulla, Assistant Professor, Stanford University
- Kate Prickett, Director of the Roy McKenzie Centre for the Study of Families and Children and a senior lecturer in the School of Government at Victoria University of Wellington in New Zealand
- Robert Ressler, Graduate Student
- Goleen Samari, Assistant Professor, Columbia University, Population and Family Health
- Chuck Stokes, Associate Professor, Samford University
- Kate Sullivan, Senior Researcher, American Institutes for Research
- Jeremy Uecker Associate Professor Baylor University
- Jenjira Yahirun Assistant Professor, Bowling Green State University