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General News

President's Message

As I write this, the signs of spring are everywhere. Its appearance has been especially welcome in a year where COVID-19 upended normal routines and forced us all to do life differently. Despite these challenges, I am pleased to say the work of the Canadian Population Society continues. Over the past year, I have had the privilege of working with an enthusiastic and talented group of Council members. They have been instrumental in helping our society carry on with its regular tasks and pursue new initiatives.

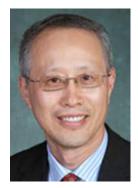
Next month, the CPS will hold its annual meeting. For the first time in its 46-year history, it will be a virtual conference, running from Tuesday, May 18 to Thursday, May 20. The program features eight 75-minute sessions held on Zoom as well as a special session by Statistics Canada that addresses its efforts to capture population dynamics in a pandemic. Sessions are offered in times that are convenient for Canada's six time zones and there is a 15-minute break between each session. In addition, there will be a poster session and social event held on Gather.town on Tuesday, May 18, where participants

can wander through a virtual room and interact with poster presenters.

Graduate students have the opportunity to take part in a workshop on social media analysis by Monica Alexander from the University of Toronto. This workshop will be offered on-demand on the first day of the conference and followed up with a live TA session to facilitate learning and application the next day.

For those looking for more details on the conference program, please check out our website. Thanks to Amélie Quesnel-Vallée, Program Committee Chair, and her graduate student Lauren McAuley for their fabulous work in organizing the conference this year!

Did the challenges of COVID-19 prevent you from submitting an abstract to our annual conference? If so, you might be interested to know that the CPS has opened up a call for late-breaker abstracts for our poster session. Please send your abstracts by May 1 to cps.cfa2021@gmail.com.



Importantly, we want to encourage members to attend the General Assembly meeting (held Thursday, May 20 from 1:00 pm - 2:15 pm EDT). There will be a small ceremony to honour Dr. Zheng Wu, our former colleague, who has been posthumously awarded the 2021 CPS Lifetime Achievement Award. In addition, we will seek the

approval of the membership for the creation of a new EDI Committee. Over the past year, a working group has developed the terms of reference for this new committee. This document, along with the annual reports of CPS committees, will be circulated to members a week

prior to General Assembly. As is always the case, it is important that this meeting meets quorum so that motions presented during this meeting can be taken to vote.

I await the day when we can meet in-person and give hugs again. With any luck, we will be in a position to do so by this time next year. In the meantime, I look forward to catching up with each of you (virtually) in May.

Sincerely,

Lisa Strohschein CPS President

CPS Election

The results of the CPS 2021 election are in and the ballots have been counted. The following persons have been elected to the CPS Council and will begin their two-year terms after the CPS annual meeting in May:

- Patrick Denice, Western University
- Ana Fostik, Statistics Canada
- Eugena Kwon, Saint Mary's University

The new graduate student representative will be Kaitlin Conway from McGill University. Stacey Hallman of Statistics Canada is the incoming Secretary/Treasurer. The CPS extends its gratitude to everyone who stood for election and welcomes the new Council members.

CPS Members

Huijing Wu. Dr. Huijing Wu recently started a postdoctoral fellowship in the Department of Sociology at Western University, and will work on research about families and aging with Rachel Margolis. She received her PhD in Sociology at Bowling Green State University in 2019, where her dissertation focused on older adults in living apart together (LAT) relationships and how they differ from other relationships in later life. Check out Huijing Wu's website for her CV and other details about her research. Welcome to Canada and the Canadian Population Society Huijing!

Job Opportunities

Recrutement pour projet de mémoire ou de thèse sur le thème de la mobilité sociale

Institut national de la recherche scientifique (INRS) Centre Urbanisation Culture Société (UCS) à Montréal, QC Programme d'étude : Maîtrise ou doctorat en études des populations

Financement : Bourses d'étude et de spécialisation

Est-ce que les enfants nés de familles à faible revenu bénéficient des mêmes opportunités socioéconomiques que ceux nés dans des familles de classe moyenne ou à haut revenu? Quels facteurs sont associés à une plus grande probabilité de mobilité vers le haut? Au contraire, quelles dynamiques favorisent la reproduction des inégalités d'une génération à l'autre? Les femmes fontelles face à des obstacles plus importants que les hommes en matière de mobilité sociale?

Si ces questions vous intéressent et que vous désirez entreprendre ou complémenter votre formation aux cycles supérieurs axée sur les méthodes quantitatives, vous êtes invités à prendre contact avec le professeur Xavier St-Denis et discuter d'une opportunité de projet de maîtrise ou de doctorat soutenu par des bourses d'étude et de spécialisation.

Le professeur Xavier St-Denis est à la recherche d'une étudiante désirant s'inscrire à la maîtrise ou au doctorat en études des populations à l'Institut national de la recherche scientifique, Centre Urbanisation Culture Société, et travailler sous sa supervision sur projet portant sur le thème de la mobilité sociale, à partir de l'automne 2021. Un stage d'été en recherche sera également offert à tout candidate retenue.

L'étudiante se joindra à l'équipe du professeur St-Denis et contribuera aux travaux de son équipe sur les dynamiques sous-tendant la mobilité sociale, à l'aide de données quantitatives. L'orientation plus spécifique des travaux de l'étudiante sera déterminée dans le cadre de la proposition de projet de mémoire ou de thèse. Les

enjeux liés à mobilité sociale qui pourraient être intégrés au projet sont : les différences de genre, l'immigration, le rôle de l'éducation ou de la mobilité géographique, les trajectoires des jeunes en emploi, la formation des couples et des familles, et les dynamiques multigénérationnelles.

Un soutien financier sera offert à l'étudiante sélectionnée afin de supporter ses travaux dans le cadre du projet du professeur St-Denis, d'environ 10 000\$ par an selon le niveau et la nature du projet.

Un stage d'été rémunéré d'une durée de 12 semaines à raison d'au moins 20 heures semaines entre le mois de juin et le mois d'août 2021 sera aussi offert à l'étudiante sélectionnée.

Pour en savoir plus sur cette opportunité, contactez Xavier St-Denis à xavier.st-denis@ucs.inrs.ca.

Professor in Social Science – Indigenous Studies, Institut national de la recherche scientifique (INRS)

As part of the creation of a Joint Research Unit (Unité Mixte de recherche) (UMR) at the Val-d'Or campus of the Université du Québec en Abitibi-Témiscamingue (UQAT), the Centre Urbanisation Culture Société of the Institut national de la recherche scientifique is seeking applications to fill three (3) positions of professors specialized in social science in the field of Indigenous studies. Please see the online job ad for further information about the position, job requirements, and application details.

This job posting will close on April 30, 2021.

Postdoc (3 years) - 3GEN project on Social Mobility across Three Generations in Immigrant and Native Families (INED, France)

Deadline for applications: May 3, 2021

In the context of the ANR-funded 3GEN project hosted at INED (French Institute for Demographic Studies), we are hiring a postdoctoral researcher for 3 years (renewable

for another 6 months) to contribute to the quantitative analyses and publications of the project that deals with social mobility across three generations within immigrant and native families. To learn more and apply, see the position profile online.

Webinars, Workshops, and Seminars

International Union for the Scientific Study of

Population (IUSSP) webinar on Family Planning Research under the COVID-19 Pandemic. This webinar was held on March 23, 2021 and is recorded, with slide deck and transcribed Q&As. The webinar provides insight on the collection of data during the pandemic and whether access and utilization of contraceptives have changed under the pandemic.

NASA's Applied Remote Sensing Training Program

(ARSET) has opened a new open, online webinar series: Introduction to Population Grids and their Integration with Remote Sensing Data for Sustainable Development and Disaster Management. This 2-part webinar will focus on the different global population grids and their application to a range of topics related to development planning and monitoring of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Part 1 was held on March 30 and Part 2 was held on April 6, 2021 (recorded with slide deck).



IUSSP webinar on Population, Food, and the Environment. April 9, 2021, starting at 10:00 am EDT. Joint webinar with the Population Association of America (PAA). The webinar engages different perspectives on the economic, social, and environmental impacts of population growth. and addresses persisting inequalities and regional variations in a round table

discussion about population, food, and the environment. The panelists include David Lam, Stan Becker, Shirley Mustafa, John Bongaarts, and Raya Muttarak. Leiwen Jiang will moderate the discussion.

PopData BC webinar on Marginal Structural Models. April 21, 2021 (1:00 pm EDT). Past webinars are available on the PopData BC YouTube channel.

Population Association of America (PAA) webinar on Living, Working, Dying: Insights in COVID-19. April 23, 2021, starting at 12:00 pm EDT. This webinar will feature a panel discussion on the differential impact of the COVID-19 pandemic across population groups and the data needed to further our understanding of its farreaching effects.

Introduction to the Annual Health Survey (AHS) of India Panel Dataset. May 4, 2021 (starting at 9:00 am CDT). The AHS collected three rounds of data between 2009 and 2012 on over 4 million households in nine high-fertility, high mortality states in India.

IUSSP virtual workshop on Methodologies for Measuring Pregnancy Intention and Unintended Pregnancy and Birth. May 13-14, 2021.

Population Environment Research Network (PERN) cyberseminar on Refugee and Internally Displaced Populations, Environmental Impacts, and Climate Risks. May 10-18, 2021.

Social Science Data Analysis Network (SSDAN). Census and ACS in the Classroom: A Virtual Workshop for College Professors. May 5, 2021 (starting at 1:00 pm EDT).

Berkeley Population Center. Workshop on Formal Demography and COVID-19. May 24-28, 2021.

Calls for Papers

Center for Demographic Research, UCLouvain.
Invisibilities and Uncertainties in Population Sciences.

Quetelet Seminar, October 27-29, Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium. Deadline for submissions: **May 8, 2021**.

Workshop on Pensions and Ageing. October 7-8, 2021, Paris, France. Deadline for submissions: May 23, 2021.

European Association for Population Studies (EAPS), Morbidity and Mortality Working Group meeting, September 20-22, 2021, Prague, Czech Republic. Deadline for submissions: **May 28, 2021**.

Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research (MPIDR). Life Course Analysis: Theoretical Perspective, Methodological Innovations, and Empirical Applications. October 26-27, 2021, Rostock, Germany. Deadline for submissions: May 31, 2021.

2021 Wittgenstein Conference. The Causes and Consequences of Depopulation. November 29 to December 1, 2021, Vienna, Austria. Deadline for submissions: **June 15, 2021**.

Obituary

Parameswara Krishnan (1936 - 2021)



Dr. Parameswara Krishnan (Krishnan for short) was born in Kerala, India on November 20, 1936, the fourth son of Parameswara lyer and Narayani Ammal. He passed away after a lengthy illness at his brother's residence in Trivandrum, Kerala on

February 17, 2021 at the age of 84.

After completing his high school education in H. S. Peringottukara, Trissur District, and Government Boy's High School in Chittur-Palghat, he joined the Kerala University-affiliated Government College in Chittur-Palghat from where he graduated with first class honors in 1956 with a BSc degree in Mathematics. He was awarded the His Highness the Maharajah's Junior

Scholarship for undergraduate studies. Shortly after his graduation in 1956, Krishnan joined the Statistical Laboratory (now the Department of Statistics) in the Research Institute at Thiruvanthapuram (Trivandrum) to complete his Masters in Theoretical and Applied Statistics.

Krishnan's first professional academic appointment was in Jaipur, Rajasthan. During his tenure at Jaipur, he worked on sampling designs and questionnaire construction as part of a large applied agricultural research program headed by Dr. R. N. Bagchi, a PhD from London School of Economics. His work also entailed conducting a number of social epidemiological surveys of the farming population. Dr. Bagchi inspired Krishnan to pursue theory-driven mathematical applications and model building, an interest that captivated Paramaswara throughout his academic career. In 1962, Parameswara joined the newly formed Department of Statistics at the University of Rajasthan.

This early experience paved the groundwork for Krishnan's move to the United States to pursue advanced studies in statistics and demography at Cornell University. In 1967, he received a Ford Foundation Fellowship for three years to complete his PhD. He graduated in 1971 from Cornell with Demography as his Major and Mathematics and Statistics (Applied Probability) as his minors. His advisor was the late Professor Robert McGinnis, a leading mathematical sociologist.

From 1972 to 1975, Krishnan served as the Director of the Population Research Laboratory (PRL) at the University of Alberta, a research centre started by the late Professor Warren Kalbach in the early 1960s. Under his leadership, the PRL became an environment conducive to vigorous academic growth and development. The PRL's activities expanded to encompass population studies as well as survey research. The PRL began to organize Population Studies Seminars on a regular basis with student and faculty participation.

In 1974, Krishnan founded *Canadian Studies Population*, and for a number of years served as its first editor. A

special issue of the journal in honour of Professor Krishnan was published in 2008. In the same year, with funding from National Health and Welfare Canada, he and Professor Karol Krotki conducted a large-scale fertility survey, the Growth of Alberta Families Study.

In 1973, at the Population Association of America meetings in New Orleans, Krishnan proposed to colleagues the idea of forming an official Canadian demographic association. At a subsequent meeting with a small group of Canadian colleagues, which included the late Professor Ronald D'Costa from the University of Ottawa, Professor Eddie Ebanks from the University of Western Ontario, the late Dr. Kottai Gnanasekaran from Statistics Canada, and several others from that institute, Interim Committees were established. The late colleagues Betty Macleod from the Ontario Institute of Studies in Education, and Sylvia Wargon from Statistics Canada, with the assistance of a few others, were to work out the organizational details about this professional association, the Canadian Population Society (CPS). In 1975, the first meeting of the CPS took place at the Learned Societies Conference in Edmonton in the context of the University of Alberta. As one of its founders, Krishnan served on CPS Council from 1975 to 1977.

After a long teaching career as Professor of Sociology at the University of Alberta, Krishnan retired from his official duties in 1998. A few years later, in 2001 he accepted a Visiting Position at the University of Botswana.

Concurrently, he held the Ratan Tata Fellowship at Institute for Social and Demographic Change (ISEC), in Bangalore, where he conducted studies on socioeconomic problems and issues associated with Kerala's modernization and on the interrelationship of caste and politics in India. In 2005, he was appointed Professor of Population Studies at University of Botswana. In 2010, he returned to Kerala.

Parameswara Krishnan was a dedicated and productive scholar who made important contributions to demography, statistics, and sociology. We have lost an excellent demographer, erudite scholar, teacher par excellence, and above all a fine human being. All his former colleagues and students are especially proud to

have had the opportunity to learn and study with him and most of all to know Krishnan as a person.

In Kerala, Krishnan is survived by his brother Seshadri and family.

This is an abridged version of the full obituary posted on the CPS website, as contributed by Frank Trovato.

Feature Article

Canada and the International Conference on Population and Development (Cairo, 1994)

Contributed by Roderic Beaujot, Emeritus Professor of Sociology, Western University.

The death of Michael Shenstone (1928 - 2019) brings me to make a summary of the Canadian involvement in the 1994 International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD). As the UN Population Fund (UNFPA) was promoting a broad consultation on a proposed programme of action, the Canadian Population Society, the Association des Démographes du Québec, and the Federation of Canadian Demographers sought ways to be associated. At the same time, Michael Shenstone, who had just retired from the Department of External Affairs (now Global Affairs Canada) was also seeking to be involved in the Cairo conference. Michael started his career in 1952 with a stage in Lebanon to learn Arabic and then a posting at the Canadian embassy in Beirut. In 1973, he was Ambassador to the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe. In 1974, he was Canada's first resident ambassador to Saudi Arabia. In 2002, he was appointed a Member of the Order of Canada.

In 1992 or 1993, Michael came to the CPS annual meeting to see if he might join with demographers in shaping the Canadian participation in the forthcoming ICPD. Since the ministerial leadership for the conference was at External Affairs, the resulting collaboration proved effective in associating Canadian demographers to the Cairo conference. As past-President of the Federation of

Canadian Demographers (FCD), I led an initiative to obtain a grant from External Affairs under the title "Population, Environment, and Security." Through this grant, the FCD effectively funded an International Union for the Scientific Study of Population (IUSSP) "Distinguished Lecture Series" at the NGO Forum associated with the Cairo conference. These lectures were in effect state-of-the-art presentations on key questions before the conference.

Those funded to attend the Cairo conference included the persons presenting at the IUSSP Distinguished Lecture series, plus other Canadian demographers with interests in population and development. The presentations consisted of:

- Demeny, Paul: Population and Development
- Caldwell, John: The Course and Causes of Fertility Decline
- Zurayk, Huda: Population and Health
- Mhloyi, Marvellous: Status of Women, Population, and Development
- Preston, Samuel: Population and Environment: From Rio to Cairo
- Livi-Bacci, Massimo: Poverty and Population
- Homer-Dixon, Thomas: Population and Conflict

To support the objectives of the grant, we also held a "Workshop on Population, Environment, and Security", with some 25 participants including the above and other demographers attending the Cairo conference. See Beaujot, Romaniuc, and St. Germain-Roy (1996) for a substantive summary of the lectures and of the associated workshop on population, environment, and security.

Along with former Canadian Population Society member Lorna Marsden, I was invited to be part of the Canadian Delegation at the Cairo conference. The Canadian Delegation met early each morning to plan our participation at the conference and at the various parallel meetings. The civil servants were the main actors. Since this was before cell phones, I felt that my main role was

as a communication link between the civil servants who needed to be in contact during the day.

The Canadian involvement did not end with the conference. Michael Shenstone was particularly helpful in ensuring this continuity. With the help of remaining funds, Michael and I organized an Ottawa workshop of some 20 interested persons entitled "Canadian Involvement in Population and Development" on November 8-9, 1996. This eventually led to the formation of Action Canada for Population and Development (ACPD). Shenstone was Chair, first of the Planning Committee then of the Board of ACPD, where I also served until 2002. This NGO continues under the name Action Canada for Sexual Health and Rights.

Beaujot, Roderic, Anatole Romaniuc, and Simone St. Germain-Roy. 1996. IUSSP Distinguished Lecture Series at the International Conference on Population and Development: A Summary. *Canadian Studies in Population* 23(1): 69-98.

Beaujot, Roderic. 1995. The Cairo Conference: Implications for Population Activities. *Canadian Studies in Population* 22(2): 169-180.

Statistics Canada

Data Products

Canadian Community Health Survey (CCHS) – Canadians' Health and COVID-19. The data were collected from October to December 2021 on Canadians' current self-rated mental health compared to pre-pandemic, health precautions taken to avoid exposure to and prevent the spread of the virus, and willingness to get vaccinated. The data are available in tables and as an interactive dashboard and are summarized in *The Daily*.

Longitudinal Immigration Database (IMDB): Birth area and income table, 2018. A table with citizenship intake rates and income by birth area, sex, pre-admission experience, and admission category. An analysis of data

from this table, Income and Mobility of Immigrants, was published in *The Daily* on February 1.

Median entry wages for immigrants admitted in 2017, by pre-admission experience

| | 2018 constant dollars |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Work and study permit | 44,000 |
| Work permit only | 39,100 |
| Asylum claimant | 24,000 |
| No pre-admission experience | 22,600 |
| Study permit only | 14,100 |

Source: Statistics Canada, IMDB table 43-10-0026-01

Also released are data tables on immigrant taxfilers' economic outcomes, customizable by geography, sex, pre-admission work experience, pre-admission knowledge of English or French, admission year, and admission category. Data tables on the economic outcomes of childhood immigrants (admitted before age 15 years) are also available.

The Canadian Housing Survey: Public Use Microdata File, 2018 is now available. The PUMF for the CHS contains data on core housing need, dwelling characteristics, housing tenure, perceptions on economic hardship from housing costs, dwelling and neighbourhood satisfaction, housing moves and intentions to move, community engagement, life and community satisfaction, and sociodemographic characteristics.

Canadian Health Measures Survey (CHMS) – Non-environmental laboratory data, 2018 and 2018. Data tables now available with Cycle 6 data: Chemistry panel of the household population; complete blood count of the household population; hormone measures of the household population; and nutritional status of the household population. The target population of the CHMS included persons aged 3 to 79 years living in the ten provinces.

2017 Aboriginal Peoples Survey (APS) – New table tables that include information on labour force status and skills

mismatch and job satisfaction by Indigenous identity, sex, age group, and geography.

Statistics Canada reported that Canada has experienced the lowest population growth rate since 1916 because of COVID-19. During 2020, the population increased by 149,461 (+0.4%) to 38 million people. Natural population increase fell to the lowest levels observed since 1922, and population increase through international migration in 2020 was 80% lower than in 2019.

About 5.1% of deaths (15,651) in 2020 were attributed to COVID-19. This proportion of COVID-19 related deaths was lower than in the United Kingdom (12.3%), the United States (11.2%) and France (9.7%), but higher than in Australia (0.7%) and New Zealand (0.1%).

Quarterly population estimate — Canada

38,048,738
January 1, 2021

0.1%
(quarterly change)

Source(s): Table 17-10-0009-01.

Analytical Studies

A new Statistics Canada study examines how Black Canadians have fared in the labour market during the COVID-19 pandemic, using data from the Labour Force Survey (LFS). According to the study, Black Canadians have faced comparatively higher unemployment and more financial challenges during the pandemic. In

January 2021, the unemployment rate of Black Canadians was 13.1%, compared to 7.7% among non-visible minorities. Twice as many Black Canadians (33%) as non-visible minorities (17%) were living in a household that reported that it was difficult or very difficult to meet its financial commitments.

Estimating immigrants' presence in Canada within the context of increasingly fluid international migration patterns

Socioeconomic profile of the lesbian, gay, and bisexual population

Current articles from the February and March 2021 issues of *Economic and Social Reports*:

Vol. 1, no. 3

One useful labour market indicator

Changes in employment by businesses during the COVID-19 pandemic: New insights on the experimental series of monthly business openings and closures

Characteristics of businesses that closed during the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020

Recent developments in the Canadian economy: Assessing the economic recovery from COVID-19

Canadians' assessments of social media in their lives

Vol. 1, no. 2

Economic performance associated with digitalization in Canada over the past two decades

Workers' responses to job loss when employment opportunities are scarce

Measuring digital intensity in the Canadian economy

Early earning trajectories of international students after graduation from postsecondary programs

Current articles from the February and March 2021 issues of *Health Reports*:

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Health care access and use among male and female Canadian Armed Forces veterans

Prescription medication use among Canadian children and youth, 2012 to 2017

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Understanding the socioeconomic profile of people who experienced opioid overdoses in British Columbia, 2014 to 2016

Exposure to tobacco smoke among Canadian nonsmokers based on questionnaire and biomonitoring data

Trends in paediatric cancer survival in Canada, 1992 to 2017

CPS People

The Canadian Population Society is a scientific association that seeks to improve knowledge and understanding about the quantitative and qualitative characteristics of human population. It seeks to promote the study and development of the science of demography in both its empirical and theoretical aspects.

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Do you have an idea for content for the CPS News? The Editor welcomes ideas for features, stories, interviews, or news coverage as well submissions of updates from CPS members and activities at their home institutions. Please submit your ideas to the Editor.

The CPS News is published 6 times per year in January, March, May, July, September, and November. The CPS also has a Twitter Feed for broadcasting time-sensitive news and a job bank on our website.

CPS Membership

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- 2 year (\$140.00)
- 3 year (\$210.00)

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- 1 year (\$40.00)
- 2 year (\$75.00)

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- 1 year (\$40.00)
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