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Dear CPS Members,

The CPS annual meeting is fast approaching. Thanks to the efforts of the Program Chair (Michael Haan) and the session organizers we are scheduled to have an excellent program of presentations and activities. The meeting program is now available on the CPS website. The annual meeting will be held from June 1-3 on the campus of the University of Calgary. The Graduate student conference will be held on May 31. For details about the Congress 2016, including registration information, please visit the official website.



A special tribute was paid to Wayne McVey, Jr. (1932 – 2015) at the 26th annual Warren E. Kalbach Population Conference. Dr. McVey was the president of the CPS from 1996-1998 and the long-time editor of our journal, *Canadian Studies in Population*. After graduating with a master's degree in sociology from the University of Washington in 1965, Dr. McVey came to the University of Alberta to assist in the creation of the Population Research Laboratory in the Department of Sociology as well as to pursue his doctoral studies. From 1966-1972, he served as the first director of the Population Research Laboratory and was appointed to Associate Professor in the department upon completing his Ph. D. in 1974. He was promoted to Full Professor in 1982 and retired from the department in 1998. The Department of Sociology at the University of Alberta has

established a Research Graduate Scholarship to recognize his legacy. The scholarship is endowed by the Society of Edmonton Demographers.

Call for Submissions

Dr. Zongli Tang is preparing an edited volume on China's urbanization and its impact on the Chinese economy. Those seeking to contribute chapters should contact Dr. Tang at ztang@aum.edu.

Please remember to renew your CPS membership Membership can be renewed online

The next issue of the CPS Newsletter will be published this May. Please send your submissions to the newsletter editor (chrissch@uvic.ca) by May 21st.

The contributions of the CPS membership are essential to the newsletter. I realize that some people are reluctant to self-promote. However, there are two good reasons for doing so. First, your research and accomplishments are important and should be acknowledged. Second, as a member of the CPS, when you promote yourself, you also promote our society. The strength of the CPS is reflected in the research activities and accomplishments of its membership.

- Send us a profile of yourself and your research interests
- If your work has been profiled in the news, let us know
- Contributions on resources or tips for teaching demography
- Short commentaries on demographic trends or events

By contributing to the newsletter, you help make the CPS an active and vital society year round.

CELEBRATING THE CENSUS: WHY COUNTING MATTERS FOR CANADA'S FUTURE

The Centre on Population Dynamics at McGill University is hosting a special event on the return of the long-form census. In this celebratory event, a panel will lead a discussion exploring multiple perspectives on the importance of the census to Canada.

Date: Friday, April 29th, 3-5 pm, with a reception to follow.

Location: Moyse Hall (Arts Building), 853 Sherbrooke St., Montreal

Moderator: Céline Le Bourdais, Professor of Sociology, McGill University

Panelists:

- The Honorable Jean-Yves Duclos, Minister of Families, Children and Social Development
- Sébastien Breau, Associate Professor, Department of Geography, McGill University
- Miles Corak, Professor, Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, University of Ottawa
- Ian Culbert, Executive Director, Canadian Public Health Association/Association canadienne de santé publique
- Ariane Krol, Columnist, La Presse

For more information and registration details, please consult the Centre's webpage.



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Note: Registration is open until April 22, subject to availability. Please review program eligibility requirements prior to registering.

For more information and to apply contact:

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