

Call for Abstracts
Comparative Workshop on Adult Mortality Determinants
February 22, 2019

A one-day workshop co-sponsored by the UC-Berkeley Center on the Economics and Demography of Aging-CEDA (William Dow), and the USC/UCLA Center for Biodemography and Population Health (Eileen Crimmins and Teresa Seeman)

"Adult Mortality Determinants in Low and Middle-Income Countries and Comparisons with High-Income Countries"

Workshop Date: Friday, February 22, 2019
Location: University of California, Berkeley
Deadline for submission of abstracts: October 12, 2018

This workshop is designed to share leading research methods and findings on comparative patterns of adult mortality, mortality determinants, and risk factors in low and middle-income countries (LMICs), following-up on workshops held on this topic at USC and Berkeley in 2016, 2017, and 2018.

The goal is to build a robust evidence base for understanding the drivers of cross-national mortality and health expectancy patterns, especially in populations with unusually high or low adult mortality. The newly expanded availability of longitudinal HRS-type surveys in LMICs make this an opportune time to gather a network of researchers using such data to study mortality patterns and determinants, in order to share innovative methods, new results, and ideas for the most promising research agenda going forward.

We solicit presentations of papers using longitudinal data from one or more LMICs, particularly from harmonized HRS family studies (see <https://g2aging.org/>) in China (CHARLS), Costa Rica (CRELES), Ghana (SAGE), Korea (KLOSA), Indonesia (IFLS), Mexico (MHAS), and South Africa (SAGE). We also encourage use of other LMIC micro-data with mortality follow-ups, e.g. from Taiwan (SEBAS), China (CLHLS), South Africa (HAALSI), and elsewhere, as well as comparisons with data from higher income countries such as the US (HRS), Japan (JSTAR or NUJLSOA), England (ELSA), and Europe (SHARE).

The sponsors will underwrite the costs of hotel accommodations and meals during the workshop. Where needed, the sponsors can also cover up to \$500 in economy-class airfare for travel to the conference.

This will be a small meeting of about 30 people. We invite one-page abstracts, which should be submitted by October 12 to jungk@usc.edu and evasile@berkeley.edu. For inquiries about topical areas please contact Will Dow wdow@berkeley.edu and Eileen Crimmins Crimmin@usc.edu.

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