

IUSSP Scientific Panel on Family Demography in  
Developing Countries



International Cyberseminar • 9 - 10 January 2014  
Call for papers

Family demography: Advancing knowledge  
about intergenerational relationships and  
exchanges in low- and middle-income countries

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The IUSSP Panel on Family Demography in Developing Countries, in collaboration with the ESRC Centre for Population Change and the University of Southampton, will be organising three cyberseminars in 2014-2015.

Funded by the Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC), UK, the overarching aim of the cyberseminars is to facilitate policy relevant research and extend the contribution of demography to understanding intergenerational relationships and support in low- and middle-income countries.

Intergenerational relations involve the exchange of material, instrumental, and emotional support across the life course and family life cycle. Parents are sources of support to their children but can become recipients of support, especially at the oldest ages.



Older parents around the world rely most often on their adult children for financial support and care, and adult children increase contact and even become co-resident when parents experience losses, such as widowhood, or declines in health.

Amidst dramatic changes in family structure and residential mobility, the extent to which this family lifecycle of intergenerational support is realized is uncertain.

Economic uncertainty and the relative absence of public safety nets in poor settings in the global south heighten the policy relevance of understanding and addressing these issues.

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The first cyberseminar will be held on 9 - 10 January 2014 and is arranged around three broad strands:

**Strand 1: Concepts and methods**

Advancing demographic studies of intergenerational relationships and support

**Strand 2: Family demography**

Contributing to understanding intergenerational relationships and support in contemporary low and middle-income countries

**Strand 3: Demographic datasets**

Highlighting existing data and ongoing studies that can be used to understand intergenerational relationships and support in the global south

**Cyberseminar registration**

There are no registration fees. We welcome people to register for all or some of the seminars. Registration and submissions opened on 1 August 2013.

We have some funds to assist the authors of selected papers and posters for who access to the internet during the two-day seminar or technical hardware to record keynote presentations may be difficult. Please email the organisers to find out whether we are able to assist.

Further details about registration are available on the cyberseminar and IUSSP websites:

<http://blog.soton.ac.uk/intergen>

[www.iussp.org/en/panel/panel-family-demography-developing-countries](http://www.iussp.org/en/panel/panel-family-demography-developing-countries)

**Mailing list**

If you would like to be added to the cyberseminars mailing list to receive updates about the seminars, please send an email to [intergen@soton.ac.uk](mailto:intergen@soton.ac.uk)

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## Guidelines for authors

- Submissions of papers to all strands should include a short abstract (of no more than 250 words) along with an extended abstract of 2 – 4 pages.

Submissions are due by

**Monday 30 September 2013, 12pm (GMT).**

If you would like to submit a poster or short presentation, please submit **ONLY** a short abstract.

- Complete versions of selected papers must be submitted online by **2 December 2013, 12pm (GMT).**



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