Call For Abstracts
Comparative Workshop on Adult Mortality Determinants
February 23, 2018

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 23, 2018
Location: University of Southern California
Deadline for submission of abstracts: November 15, 2017

This workshop is designed to share leading research methods and findings on comparative
patterns of adult mortality risk factors in low and middle income countries (LMIC), following-up on
workshops held on this topic at USC and Berkeley in 2016 and 2017. 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 LMIC make this an opportune
time to gather a network of researchers using such data to study mortality patterns, 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 LMIC, 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 cover hotel accommodations and meals during the workshop. Participants
should be prepared to bear other costs associated with travel to the conference.

This will be a small meeting of about 30 people. We invite one-page abstracts, which should be
submitted by November 15 to jungk@usc.edu and evasile@berkeley.edu. For inquiries about
topical areas please contact Will Dow wdow@berkeley.edu and Eileen
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