

# POPULATION STUDIES CENTER NEWSLETTER

## Upcoming Events



PSC presents:  
[Sam Clark](#)

**"Mortality Models: Probabilistic Cause of Death from Verbal Autopsy and a General Model of Age-Specific Mortality"**

**January 22**  
103 McNeil  
12-1pm



PARC & IOA present:  
[Anne Newman](#)

**"What Does it Take to Live a Long and Health Life?"**

**January 24**  
Biomedical Research  
Building Auditorium  
421 Curie blvd  
3-4pm



Wolf Humanities Center presents:  
[Daniel Aldana Cohen](#)

**"Urban Life in the Era of Climate Change"**

**January 24**  
Rainey Auditorium  
Penn Museum  
5-6:30pm

## Improvements in Mortality Rates Are Slowed by Rise in Obesity in the United States

[Sam Preston](#), [Andrew Stokes](#) and [Yana Vierboom](#)

published an article in the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* "[The Role of Obesity in Exceptionally Slow U.S. Mortality Improvement](#)." This new study, published on

Monday, has been featured in [Penn News](#), [Penn Current](#), [Time Magazine](#), [Philly Voice](#), and [International Business Times](#).

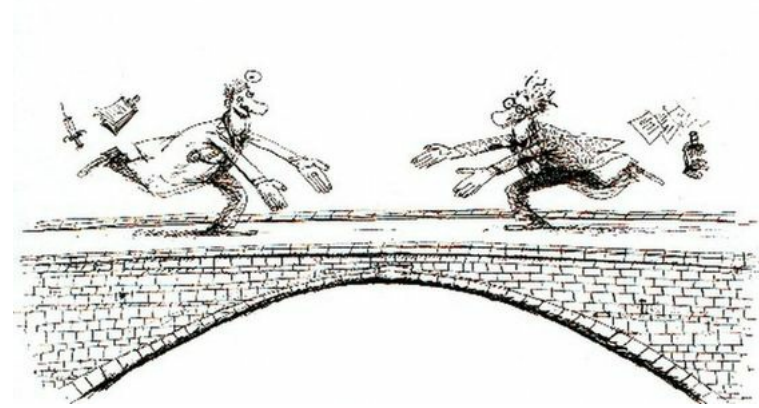


## Deadline to Submit an Abstract for the REVES@30 Conference: January 31st

[Reves@30: Past, Present and Future Trends in Population Health](#) will be held May 30-June 1 2018 in Ann Arbor, Michigan, at the Institute for Social Research in the University of Michigan.

## Reminder: Grad Ben Talks Deadline January 26th

Grad Ben Talks is an afternoon of TED Talk-style presentations by Penn Arts and Sciences graduate students representing the humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, and professional master's programs. Check out the Entry form [here](#).



## Demystifying Medicine: NIH Webinars at the Biomedical Library

The 2018 Demystifying Medicine Series, which is jointly sponsored by FAES and NIH, which runs weekly through May 8th, includes the presentation of patients, pathology, diagnosis and therapy in the context of major disease problems and current research. Primarily directed toward Ph.D. students, clinicians and program managers, the course is designed to help bridge the gap between advances in biology and their application to major human diseases. Each session includes clinical and basic science components presented by NIH staff and invitees. Read more details about topics and a complete schedule of the presentations check out the series [here](#).

## Interested in learning GIS for free?

The Weigle Information Commons is hosting a two-part series of Introductory GIS tutorials using ArcGIS/ArcMap. Sign up for [part one](#) and/or [part two](#)!

## PSC Researchers featured in Penn News article about Families in Low- and Middle-Income Countries

[Hans-Peter Kohler](#), [Frank Furtsenberg](#), [Luca Maria Pesando](#), [Andrés Castro](#) and [Pilar Gonalons-Pons](#)

are embarking on a new quest thanks to the [National Science Foundation](#) to learn more about Low-and Middle-Income Families across the globe.

Take a look at the [news article](#) and the [project website](#).



## Need a room for your class or space to work with your peers? Reserve the PSC Conference Room & Collaboration Space here!

[The PSC Conference room and Collaboration Space](#) is located on the 5th floor of McNeil and is fully equipped with two large TV monitors, HDMI and VGA cables, ClearOne microphone/speakers (great for skyping) and comfy seating. To see when the room is available take a look at the [calendar](#) and feel free to reserve the space by [filling out the reservation form](#).



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