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## Welcome New Researchers, Staff, and Students to the PSC

Please welcome the following new additions to our center:

The new students entering the Graduate Group in Demography Ph.D. program at the Population Studies Center are Peter Fleming, Rachel Margolis, Mikko Myrskylä, Caroline Sten, and Allison Sullivan.

New postdoctoral researchers and visitors to the PSC are Dawn Alley (Ph.D., Gerontology, University of Southern California, 2006), J. David Hacker (Ph.D., History, University of Minnesota, 1999), Vida Maralani (Ph.D., Sociology, UCLA, 2006), Douglas McKee (Ph.D., Economics, UCLA, 2006) and Michelle Poulin (Ph.D., Sociology, Boston University, 2006).

Shaun Carlin and Sara Sieteski have joined Social Sciences Computing (SSC) as Assistant Support Specialists this Fall. Contact information: 304 McNeil / 215-898-6454 / POPS-LSP@ssc.upenn.edu

J. Adelaide Fuller (Addie) has joined the Demography Library as the new Information & Dissemination Assistant. Addie comes to us from the Paul Robeson Library at Rutgers University's Camden Campus, and brings many years of library experience.

Julia Crane has joined us as PSC Associate Director. Julia's experience includes clinical and research management as Program Administrator for the Alzheimer's disease Center here at Penn. She brings 15 years of hands on know-how in preparing grant proposals, budgets, grants administration, including centers and multiple performance sites. She is also well versed in research database management for administration and research. She has a Bachelor's in Business Administration from Penn State. Julia and her family live in University City and she is an avid gardener and cook.

## Tech Note: PennTags

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For information on RSS feeds see: <http://gethelp.library.upenn.edu/guides/engineering/alerts/whatissrss.html>

## News & Events

The PSC has launched the PSC Working Paper Series online at: <http://repository.upenn.edu/psc/>. PSC Research Associates, Affiliates and Students are encouraged to submit working papers reflecting their research to the Director for review. All papers go through a peer review process. See the first working paper in the series: "Mortality of American Troops in Iraq," by Samuel H. Preston and Emily Buzzell (PSC Working Paper Series 06-01).

IRB & Human Subjects Consulting  
Researchers at the Population Studies Center should consult Jan Jaeger, RN, MBe, Ph.D., the PSC's IRB Consultant at, [jajaeger@ssc.upenn.edu](mailto:jajaeger@ssc.upenn.edu) or at 215-573-8104, for information regarding an IRB submission or questions about human subject research. For more information on Human Subjects protocols and IRB guidelines see: <http://www.pop.upenn.edu/resources/IRB.htm>

Photo Day Nov. 6--If you need to have your picture taken or updated for the wall in the PSC office, please stop by the Demography Library. Can't make it? Email Addie to set up an appointment.

## PSC Colloquium Upcoming Speakers:

November 6: John R. Wilmoth

November 13: David Hacker

November 20: Job Talks

November 27: Michel Guillot

December 4: Duncan Thomas

All PSC colloquia events are held on Mondays from Noon to 1:00 PM in 103 McNeil, for details see: <http://www.pop.upenn.edu/news/news-colloq.html>

## Upcoming Workshops & Events

November 15, 2006, Wednesday  
Stata  
with John Marcotte  
McNeil 110, 4:00-5:00 PM

November 29, 2006, Wednesday  
Adobe Acrobat Professional 7.0  
with Nykia M. Perez  
McNeil 110, 4:00-5:00 PM

December 6, 2006, Wednesday  
Mozilla Extensions  
with John Marcotte  
McNeil 110 from 4:00-5:00 PM

## New Books on GIS

*Geographic information systems and science.* By Paul A. Longley, et al. West Sussex, England: Wiley, 2005. BK G70.212 .G44553 2005

*Geographical information systems: principles, techniques, management, and applications.* By Paul A. Longley, et al. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley, 2005. BK G70.212 .G465 2005

*Geographically weighted regression: the analysis of spatially varying relationships.* By A. Stewart Fotherington, Chris Brunsdon and Martin Charlton. Chichester; Hoboken, NJ: Wiley, 2002. BK G70.212 .F67 2002

*Quantitative geography: perspectives on spatial data analysis.* By A. Stewart Fotheringham, Chris Brunsdon, Martin Charlton. London; Thousand Oaks, CA Sage Publications, 2000. BK G70.3 .F68 2000

*Quantitative methods and applications in GIS.* By Fahui Wang. Boca Raton, FL: CRC Press, Taylor & Francis Group, 2006. BK G70.212 .W36 2006

*Socio-economic applications of geographic information science.* Edited by David Kidner, Gary Higgs, and Sean White. London; New York: Taylor & Francis, 2003. BK G70.212 .S63 2003

*Spatially integrated social science.* Edited by Michael F. Goodchild and Donald G. Janelle. Oxford; New York: Oxford University Press, 2004. BK HA30.6 .S665 2004

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## Useful Software

Social Sciences Computing (SSC) maintains a list of useful free software "freeware" that they have found useful and that is relevant to members of the Penn Community. Their list includes links to SSH (Secure SHell) tools such as WinSCP, Security tools such as TrueCrypt, lists of add-ons for the internet browser Firefox and the email client Thunderbird, links to Statistical Computing software, such as the R project and to File Synchronization and Backup tools, such as SyncToy. SSC staff will continue to add links to other useful freeware as they come across them.

<http://www.sas.upenn.edu/computing/ssc/useful/>

The PSC Information Services newsletter is published once a semester by Demography Library staff. Content will include information about services, resources, news, and events relevant to PSC researchers.

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<http://www.ssc.upenn.edu>

## New Books on Using SAS

*Applied statistics and the SAS programming language.* By Ronald P. Cody, Jeffrey K. Smith. Upper Saddle River, NJ: Pearson Prentice Hall, 2006. SR QA276.4 .C53 2006

*Cody's data cleaning techniques using SAS software.* By Ronald P. Cody. Cary, NC: SAS Institute, 1999. SR QA276.4 .C5339 1999

*The complete guide to SAS indexes.* By Michael A. Raithe. Cary, NC: SAS Institute, 2006. SR QA276.4 .R35 2006

*Fixed effects regression methods for longitudinal data using SAS.* By Paul David Allison. Cary, NC: SAS Institute, 2005. SR QA278.2 .A43475 2005

*The little SAS book: a primer. 3rd. Edition.* By Lora D. Delwiche and Susan J. Slaughter. Cary, NC: SAS Institute, 2003. BK QA276.4 .D459 2003

*SAS for mixed models.* By Ramon C. Littell, et al. Cary, NC: SAS Institute, 2006. SR QA276.4 .L5 2006

*SAS functions by example.* By Ronald P. Cody. Cary, NC: SAS Institute, 2004. SR QA276.4 .C533 2004

*Step-by-step programming with base SAS software.* By the SAS Institute. Cary, NC: SAS Institute, 2001. SR QA276.4 .S695 2001

## New Books on Using R

*Data analysis and graphics using R: An example-based approach.* By John Maindonald and John Braun. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2003. BK QA276.4 .M245 2003

*Introduction to statistics through resampling methods and R/S-PLUS.* By Phillip I. Good. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley, 2005. BK QA278.8 .G63 2005

*An R and S-PLUS companion to applied regression.* By John Fox. Thousand Oaks, CA Sage Publications, 2002. BK QA278.2 .F628 2002

*R Graphics.* By Paul Murrell. Boca Raton, FL: CRC Press, Taylor & Francis Group, 2006. BK T385 .M9 2006

*Statistics: An introduction using R.* By Michael J. Crawley. West Sussex, England: Wiley, 2005. BK QA276.12 .C73 2005

*Introductory Statistics with R: With 48 illustrations.* By Peter Dalgaard. New York: Springer, 2002. BK QA276.4 .D33 2002