

MCUAAAR Mondays

February 28, 2022

To reduce the number of messages sent out to the MCUAAAR 5 Listserv, if you send me the kind of information found below, I will compile it and send it out on "MCUAAAR Mondays"

ANNOUNCEMENTS



GSA 2022

Embracing Our Diversity. Enriching Our Discovery.
Reimagining Aging.

November 2-6, 2022 | Indianapolis, IN

Call for Abstracts

Deadline for Submission is March 3, 2022

Please read the abstract submission planning guide in its entirety. This guide includes submission criteria, guidelines, program areas, and a worksheet.

You will be able to edit your abstract as many times as necessary before the March 3 deadline.

- [Abstract Submission Planning Guide](#) (login and submission information)
- [Submitting Your Abstract FAQs](#)

REMINDER RCMAR Annual Meeting – Registration Now Open

The Coordinating Center invites you to register for our 2022 RCMAR Virtual Annual meeting scheduled March 31 – April 1, 2022.

To Register - <https://2022rcmarannualmeeting.eventbrite.com>

Deadline for [registering for the annual meeting](#) is **Monday, March**

21; however, early registration is encouraged. Zoom connection information will be sent closer to meeting date.



NEWS

Detroit Unemployment Rate Sits at 20%

February 3, 2022



The Latest survey from the Detroit Metro Area Communities Study (DMACS) finds that Detroit's unemployment rate is sitting at about 20%. While this is less than half of the unemployment rate observed when unemployment peaked at 43% in June 2020, it's still twice the pre-pandemic unemployment rate of about 10%. The results also highlight significant disparities in who is most affected by unemployment in Detroit. Among those in the labor force, people of color, low-wage earners and residents without four-year college degrees are more likely to be unemployed than other residents.

For full story - <https://isr.umich.edu/news-events/news-releases/detroit-unemployment-rate-sits-at-20/>



Population Health and Aging in Rapidly Changing Contexts – an interview with researcher Amy Pienta

February 1, 2022

What is demography and how can it help improve population health? In this interview, ISR researcher Amy Pienta talks about connections to climate change, disparate health outcomes, migration patterns, and why U-is a great place to pursue global health projects.

For full interview - <https://isr.umich.edu/news-events/news-releases/population-health-and-aging-in-rapidly-changing-contexts-an-interview-with-researcher-amy-pienta/>

Blood test can predict presence of beta-amyloid in the brain, new study finds



February 17, 2022

Scientists have demonstrated that a new blood test can accurately predict the presence of beta-amyloid plaques in the brain, according to a new study funded in part by NIA. Published in *Neurology*, the study analyzed the ability of a blood test to predict the presence of Alzheimer's disease-associated protein beta-amyloid in the brain. The new blood test, which performs comparably to existing brain scan- or spinal tap-based tests, could lower costs and expand the availability of diagnostic studies for Alzheimer's disease.

Read full article here - https://www.nia.nih.gov/news/blood-test-can-predict-presence-beta-amyloid-brain-new-study-finds?utm_source=nia-eblast&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=news-20220228

RESOURCES



Videos and Self-Paced Course on Using NHATS & NSOC Datasets

The National Health and Aging Trends Study (NHATS) has created an online course for beginners, available through the Michigan Center on the Demography of Aging (MiCDA). This self-paced set of modules is designed for researchers who are learning to use NHATS. There is an optional module for learning to use the National Study of Caregiving (NSOC). The workshop is organized into three sections that take approximately 4-5 hours altogether to complete: Getting to know NHATS; Learning to use NHATS; and Using NHATS.

To view videos go to: <https://nhats.org/researcher/nhats/videos>

To register for NHATS online course for beginners, go to - <https://micda.isr.umich.edu/nhats-online-course-registration/>

New HBEC Spring 2022 Newsletter Just Released!



Highlights in this 12-page issue:

Research Update: Why Older African Americans Participate in Research
Lifestyle Changes to Help Prevent High Blood Pressure
New CAB Member Spotlight: Roland Samaroo
New Community Outreach Coordinator: Sarah Whitney
Critical Crossroads: What Matters to You?

Read full Newsletter at - <https://mcuaaar.org/resources/newsletters/hbec-newsletters/>

EVENTS



National Institute on Aging

Mental Health and Older Adults Facebook Live Q&A March 1, 2022 at 2:30pm ET

Mental health plays a vital role in good health and well-being throughout your life. Join the **Mental Health and Older Adults: Live Q&A on Tuesday, March 1, at 2:30 p.m., ET** to learn how to recognize common concerns among older adults and tips to improve your overall mental health.

This live event will feature experts from NIA, the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH), and the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). Discussion topics will include:

- Mental and emotional wellness in later life
- The signs and symptoms of depression
- Ways you can maintain and improve your mental health

RSVP here and watch the live event on [NIA](#), [NIMH](#), or [SAMHSA's](#) Facebook pages.

You do not need a Facebook account to watch this event. The event will be recorded. A link to the recording will be added to this page after the event.

This event will be live captioned. In addition, the fully captioned video will be posted to [NIA's YouTube channel](#) within one week of the event.

HBEC March Lunch & Learn Things to Know About Omicron Thursday, March 24 11:00 am – 12:30 pm

As we enter year three of the pandemic it can be difficult to keep up with the ever-evolving news around Covid-19. New developments about how the disease is spread, the emerging variants, and the best ways to stay safe flood the news making it hard to know which advice to trust. Join us for a special talk with **Dr. Teena Chopra**, infectious disease specialist and



professor of internal medicine at the Wayne State University School of Medicine, about how you can keep yourself and your family safe during this difficult time.

To join by telephone - 1-312-626-6799 Webinar ID: 954 9577 4535

To join by computer - <https://bit.ly/HBElunch>

JOBS



Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Postdoctoral Fellowship

Department of Sociology, Brown University
Providence, RI

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The Dept. of Sociology at Brown University invites applications for a three-year Postdoctoral Fellow to start on or around May 1, 2022, funded by the Dept. of Sociology. The initial term of appointment is one year. Subsequent annual reappointments are expected for two additional years, subject to good performance. Applications received by Monday, March 14, 2022 will receive first consideration, however the position will remain open until filled. Refer to the attached call out for full details and to apply!

The Postdoctoral Fellow will perform research on topics related to equity, diversity, and inclusion (EDI) that will inform and forward departmental EDI objectives and goals. The fellow will complete projects, provide written reports, and share written findings with members of the Sociology department and other Social Science departments at Brown University. No formal teaching is required, but the individual may be asked to present research findings to departmental members and individuals in other Social Science departments. The fellow is expected to spend part of their time working independently and part of their time working collaboratively with designated departmental members. The fellow will report directly to the Chair of the Dept. of Sociology. Diversity, equity and inclusion are integral to the commitment of the Dept. of Sociology and Brown University. Accordingly, we seek qualified candidates who can contribute to equity, diversity and inclusion in their methodological and analytical approaches. We also encourage applications from historically underrepresented groups.

For more information - <https://www.brown.edu/academics/sociology/postdoctoral-fellow>

Deadline - Applications received by **Monday, March 14, 2022** will receive first consideration, however the position will remain open until filled