Conference on Chinese Healthy Aging and Socioeconomics: International Perspectives
August 20-21, 2004, Duke University

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August 20 Friday
9:00-10:40. Session One; Chair: Ralph Litzinger (Director, Asian Pacific Studies Institute, Duke U)
Opening Address by Professor Ken Land, Director, Center for Demographic Studies, Duke University

Study on Determinants of Healthy Longevity in China
Zeng, Yi, Director of Chinese Populations and Socioeconomic Studies Center (CPSES), Professor of Duke University and Peking University

The Effect of Elderly Household Members on School Enrollment of Children in Tibet
Anderson, Barbara A., Professor, University of Michigan

Planning for aging
Fillenbaum, Gerda G., Professor, Center for Study of Aging and Human Development, Duke University

10:40-11:00. Coffee break

11:00-12:30. Session Two; Chair: Charles Becker (Professor, Economics Dept, Duke U)
The National Long-Term Care Survey
Holt, Nick, Project Manager of the U.S. National Long Term Care Survey, Center for Demographic Studies, Duke University

The Implications of Different Living Arrangements for the Oldest Old in China
Chen, Feinian, Assistant Professor, NC State University
Short, Susan, Professor, Brown University

The Coming Crisis Aging Gap in China: Ecological Implications, 2000-2040
Li, Wenlang, Professor Emeritus of Sociology, Ohio State University
12:30 - 2:00 p.m. Lunch break

2:00 - 3:30 p.m. Session Three; Chair: Barbara Anderson (Professor, U of Michigan)
Gender differences in the effects of self-rated health status on mortality among the oldest old in China
    Chen, Jiajian, Research Fellow, Population and Health Studies, East-West Center
    Wu, Zheng, Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Victoria, Canada

Socioeconomic differentials in mortality among the oldest-old in China
    Zhu, Haiyan, Ph.D student, Michigan University
    Xie, Yu, Professor, Michigan University

Mortality of the Oldest Old in China: the Impacts of Socioeconomic Status and Leisure Activities
    Sun, Rongjun, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Cleveland State University;
    Liu, Yuzhi, Associate Professor and Associate Director, Center for Healthy Aging and Family Studies, Peking University.

3:30 - 3:50 p.m. Coffee break

3:50 - 5:20 p.m. Session Four; Chair: Marcus Feldman (Professor, Director of Morrison Institute, Stanford U)
Social Impact of Out-Migration in Anhui Province: One Step Forward and Two Steps Back?
    Mazumdar, Sucheta, Professor, Department of History, Duke University
    Gu, Danan, Research Associate, Public Policy, Duke University

Healthy life expectancy in developing countries
    Lamb, Vicki, Senior Research Scientist, Center for Demographic Studies, Duke University

Daily Contact and Mental Health among the Elderly
    Fu, Yang-Chih, Research Fellow, Institute of Sociology, Academia Sinica, Taiwan

August 21, Saturday

9:00 - 10:30. Session Five; Chair: Liu Kang (Professor and Associate Director, CPSES, Duke U)
    Poston, Dudley, L., Jr. Professor, Department of Sociology, Texas A&M University;
    Luo, Hua, Research Associate, Department of Sociology, Texas A&M University
    Terrell, Heather, K.M., Research Associate, Department of Sociology, Texas A&M University

Pension Reform Issues in China Lessons from Kazakhstan
    Becker, Charles, Professor, Department of Economics, Duke University

Health and Retirement Study in Asia
10:30 - 10:50. Coffee break

10:50 - 12:20. Session Six; Chair: Dudley Poston (Professor, Texas A&M U)
A Tale of Two Regions in China - Impact of Demography on Social Security
Sze, Michael, President, Sze Associated Ltd. U.S.

Socioeconomic Determinants of Body Mass Index of Adult Chinese in 1990s
Luo, Zhehui, Economist & Statistician, Michigan State University

Participation in Practice: Older People's Ownership of Development
McGowan, Lynette, Participatory Development Specialist, Private Consultant

12:30 - 2:00 p.m. Lunch break

2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Session Seven; Chair: Ken Land (Professor, Director of Center for Demographic Studies, Duke U)
Issues in Gener and Aging in Rural China
Feldman, Marcus, Professor, Director of Morrison Institute, Stanford University
Out-migration of Young Adults and Living Arrangements of the Elderly in Rural China: The Case of Chaohu
Li, Shuzhuo, Professor and Director of Population and Development Research Institute, Xian Jiaotong University
Zhang, Wenjuan, Ph.D student, Xian Jiaotong University
Silverstein, Merrill, Professor of Gerontology and Sociology, Stanford University.

Coping with care receiving: Creating Effective Partnership in Self Care
Cox, Enid Opal, Professor and Director of Institute of Gerontology, University of Denver
Retirement Security: Balance Private and Collective Responsibilities
Chen, Bing, Frank J. Manning Eminent Scholar's Chair in Gerontology, University of Massachusetts, Boston

Closing Remarks by Harvey Jay Cohen, Professor, Director, Duke University Center for the Study of Aging and Human Development

List of participants