

Seminar Series on Poverty and Public Policy, Spring 2008

The WEST COAST POVERTY CENTER Is Pleased to Announce Its

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The seminar series brings prominent national and local faculty to the UW campus to present their cutting-edge research on poverty and public policy. Approximately five seminars are offered each quarter and are open to faculty and graduate students from all disciplines who are interested in research on issues of poverty and inequality and related public policies.

The 2007/2008 series focuses on the theme of “Economic Security in the 21st Century: Workplace, Family and Policy.” The series includes an additional, student-oriented session each quarter for enrolled graduate students. These sessions provide opportunities for students to network with other students and with U.W. faculty from a variety of disciplines who are working on topics relating to poverty and inequality.

Time and Location: Seminars are held approximately every other week on Monday afternoons from 3-4:30 PM in either the Parrington Hall Commons or the Forum (located on the third floor of Parrington Hall). A continuously updated schedule of seminar dates and topics will be announced periodically throughout the quarter.

Topical Areas: Seminars are presented by faculty from a variety of disciplines addressing a diversity of topics that relate to the causes and consequences of poverty and inequality in the U.S. and to the development and evaluation of public policy responses.

Graduate Credit: Graduate students from all disciplines who have a substantive emphasis on poverty as a part of their individual program of study may receive 1 credit per term for attendance and participation in at least 3 of the seminars. Add codes and questions pertaining to graduate credit may be directed to the West Coast Poverty Center office at wpc@u.washington.edu or 221-3781.

The West Coast Poverty Center at the University of Washington is one of three regional poverty research centers funded nationally by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation. Administered jointly by the School of Social Work and the Daniel J. Evans School of Public Affairs, the West Coast Poverty Center functions as a hub for research, education, and policy analysis pertaining to the causes of poverty and its solutions in the realm of public policy.

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Monday, April 7
 Parrington Hall Commons
 3:00 - 4:30 PM

“Why Do Rich Countries Have Poor People? Being “Poor” in the US and UK,” Amy K. Glasmeier, Professor of Geography and Regional Planning, Pennsylvania State University, author of *An Atlas of Poverty in America: One Nation, Pulling Apart, 1960-2003*

Monday, April 21
 Parrington Hall Commons
 3:00 - 4:30 PM

“What a Difference A Measure Makes: New Perspectives on Washington State Poverty and New Applications in Anti-Poverty Programs,” Diana Pearce, Senior Lecturer and Director, Center for Women’s Welfare, School of Social Work

Friday, April 25
 Parrington Hall Forum
 12:30-2:00 P.M

“How Representative are Chicago Ghettos? Organizational Density, Outlier Cities, and Neighborhood Effects,” Mario Luis Small, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Chicago. Jointly sponsored with the UW Department of Sociology and the Center for Studies in Demography and Ecology

Monday, April 28
 SSW 305A
 3:00 - 4:30 PM

“Changes in Family Structure, Childbearing and Employment: Implications for Poverty Trends,” Deborah Reed, Director of Research, Senior Fellow, and Thomas C. Sutton Chair in Policy Research, Public Policy Institute of California

NEW!**Monday, May 12**
 Parrington Hall Commons
 3:00 - 4:30 PM

“Destinies of the Disadvantaged: The Politics of Teenage Childbearing,” Frank F. Furstenberg, Jr., Zellerbach Family Professor of Sociology and Research Associate in the Population Studies Center at the University of Pennsylvania

Monday, May 19
 Raitt 221
 3:00 - 4:30 PM

Special Session for Enrolled Graduate Students to introduce students and West Coast Poverty Center faculty affiliates working on issues relating to poverty and inequality

Monday, June 2
 Parrington Hall Commons
 3:00 - 4:30 PM

“Social Support for Mothers: Does Childbearing Affect Support, and Does Support Affect Childbearing?” Kristin Harknett, Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of Pennsylvania. Jointly sponsored with the UW Department of Sociology

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