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PERSONAL DATA

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EDUCATION AND TRAINING

- B.S. Actuarial Science, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, 1981.
- M.A. Applied Economics, University of Michigan, 1983.
- Ph.D. Economics, University of Michigan, 1987.
Applied Fields of Specialization: Population Economics, Econometrics.
Minor Field: Economic Development.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Associate Director, MARYLAND POPULATION RESEARCH CENTER, UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, 2004 - Present.
- Senior Research Scientist, Jul 2006-present. Associate Research Scientist 2001-2006, MARYLAND POPULATION RESEARCH CENTER, and Faculty Associate, DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY, UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND.
- Research Associate Professor, DEPARTMENT OF DEMOGRAPHY, GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY, 1998 - 2001. Research Assistant Professor, 1997-1998.
- Visiting Research Fellow, DEPARTMENT OF DEMOGRAPHY, GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY, 1994-97.
- Assistant Professor, DEPARTMENT OF POPULATION DYNAMICS, SCHOOL OF HYGIENE AND PUBLIC HEALTH, THE JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY, 1987- 1997. Adjunct Associate Professor, 1997-2004.
- Visiting Fellow, CENTER FOR POPULATION STUDIES, HARVARD UNIVERSITY, 1986.
- Research Assistant and Fellow, POPULATION STUDIES CENTER, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, 1984.
- Teaching Assistant, DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, 1983.
- Assistant Professor of Mathematics for Social Sciences, UNIVERSIDAD AUTÓNOMA METROPOLITANA DE MÉXICO, Mexico City, April 1980-August 1983.
- Senior Researcher, BIostatistics Office, SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND PUBLIC ASSISTANCE, Mexico City, August 1979-January 1981.
- Junior Researcher, EVALUATION OFFICE, SECRETARY OF PUBLIC EDUCATION, Mexico City, October 1978-July 1979.
- Statistical Analyst, SAMPLING AND STATISTICS OFFICE, SECRETARY OF BUDGET AND PROGRAMMING, Mexico City, March 1977-October 1978.
- Teaching Assistant in Statistics, GRADUATE PROGRAMS OF EL COLEGIO DE MÉXICO, Mexico City, 1977 and 1979.
- Teaching Assistant in Econometrics, Science Faculty, UNIVERSIDAD NACIONAL AUTÓNOMA DE MÉXICO, Mexico City, 1977.

PUBLICATIONS

Books and Edited Volumes

James, E, A Cox-Edwards and R Wong, book in press, *The Gender Impact of Pension Reforms in Latin America*, University of Chicago Press and World Bank Press.

Wong, R, E Resano, and L Martinez, 2006, *Una Constante Cambiante: Migración Mexicana a los Estados Unidos en la Década de los 90* (A Changing Constant: Mexican Migration to the U.S. in the 1990's), Universidad Autónoma de Guadalajara and Universidad Autónoma del Estado de México, Mexico.

Palloni, A, M Peláez, and R Wong, 2006. (Guest Editors), Special Issue: Aging and Health in Hispanic America and the Caribbean, *Journal of Aging and Health* 18(2).

Salgado, N and R Wong (Editors), 2006. *Envejecimiento, Pobreza y Salud en Población Urbana: un estudio en cuatro ciudades de México* (Aging, Poverty and Health in Urban Population: a study in four cities of Mexico). Instituto Nacional de Salud Pública, Mexico.

Salgado, N and R Wong (Editors), 2003. *Calidad de Vida y Vejez en la Pobreza: una Perspectiva de Género* (Quality of Life and Aging in Poverty: a gender perspective), Instituto Nacional de Salud Pública, Mexico.

Wong, R. 2001. (Guest Editor) Special Volume on Population Aging in Mexico, *Estudios Demográficos y Urbanos*, 16(3), El Colegio de México. Mexico.

Hill, K, J Morelos and R Wong (Editors), 1998. *Consecuencias de las Transiciones Demográficas y Epidemiológicas en Latinoamérica* (The Consequences of the Demographic and Epidemiologic Transitions in Latin America), El Colegio de México, Mexico.

Articles and Book Chapters

Wong, R and JJ Díaz, 2007, "Health Care Utilization among Older Mexicans: health and socioeconomic inequalities," *Salud Pública de México* 49(Supplement 4):S505-S514.

Wong, R, M Espinoza, and A Palloni, 2007, "Adultos Mayores en Contexto Socioeconómico Amplio: envejecimiento y salud," (Older Adults in a Wide Socioeconomic Context: aging and health), *Salud Pública de México* 49(Supplement 4):S436-S447.

Wong, R, A Palloni, and BJ Soldo, 2007, "Wealth in Middle and Old Age in Mexico: the role of previous U.S. migration," *International Migration Review* 41(1):127-151.

Wong, R and M Higgins, 2007. "Dynamics of intergenerational assistance in middle- and old-age in Mexico." in *The Health of Aging Hispanics: The Mexican-Origin Population* (Jacqueline L. Angel and Keith E. Whitfield, Eds.). Chapter 8. New York: Springer Publishing Co: 99-120.

Wong, R, "Global Aging," 2007, *Encyclopedia of Health and Aging*, SAGE Publications.

Wong, R, "Aging in Latin America and the Caribbean," 2007, *Encyclopedia of Health and Aging*, SAGE Publications.

James, E, A Cox-Edwards and R Wong, 2006, "The Impact of Social Security Reform in Latin America," *Well-Being and Social Policy* 1(1): 1-32.

Wong, R, 2006. Book Review, *Crossing the Border: research from the Mexican Migration Project, Economic Development Quarterly* 20(2). DOI is 10.1177/0891242405285332.

Wong, R, M Peláez, A Palloni, and K Markides, 2006. "Survey Data for the Study of Aging in Latin America and the Caribbean: selected studies," *Journal of Aging and Health* 18(2): 157-179.

Palloni, A, M McEniry, R Wong, and M Peláez, 2006, "The Tide to Come: Elderly Health in Latin America and the Caribbean," *Journal of Aging and Health* 18(2): 180-206 .

- Patel, K, K Peek, R Wong, and K Markides, 2006. "Comorbidity and Disability in Elderly Mexican and Mexican American Adults: findings from Mexico and the southwestern United States," *Journal of Aging and Health* 18(2): 315-329.
- Wong, R, JJ Diaz and M Espinoza, 2006. "Health Care Use among Elderly Mexicans in the U.S. and in Mexico: the role of health insurance," *Research on Aging* 28(3):393-408. (DOI) 10.1177/0164027505285922.
- Wong, R, M Peláez, and A Palloni. 2005. "Self-reported Global Health among Older Adults in Latin America and the Caribbean: usefulness of the indicator," *Panamerican Journal of Public Health* 17(5/6):323-332.
- Hill, K and R Wong, 2005. "Mexico-U.S. Migration: a View from Both Sides of the Border," *Population and Development Review* 31(1): 1-18.
- Resano, E, R Wong and L. Martínez, 2004. "Income among Mexican Households with migrants to the U.S.," *Papeles de Población* 39: 37-55, Mexico.
- Wong, R, 2003. "La Relación entre Condiciones Socioeconómicas y Salud en Edad Media y Avanzada en México: diferencias por género," (*The Relationship between Socioeconomic Conditions and Health in Middle- and Old-Age in Mexico: Gender Differences*), chapter in *Calidad de Vida y Vejez en la Pobreza: una Perspectiva de Género*, N. Salgado and R. Wong (eds.), INSP, Mexico.
- Wong, R and M Espinoza, 2003. "Ingreso y Bienes de la Población de Edad Media y Avanzada en México" (*Income and Assets of the Population of Middle and Old Age in Mexico*). *Papeles de Población* 37:129-166. Mexico.
- James, E, A Cox-Edwards and R Wong, 2003. "The Gender Impact of Pension Reform: a Cross-Country Comparison," in *Journal of Pension Economics and Finance*, 2(2), July.
- James, E, A Cox-Edwards and R Wong, 2003. "The Gender Impact of Pension Reform: And Which Policies Shape This Impact" <http://papers.ssrn.com/abstract=458303>
- Wong, R, 2002. "Global Population Aging," in the UNESCO *Encyclopedia of Life Support Systems – UNESCO-EOLSS*, Human Development Theme, Paris and Oxford: UNESCO-EOLSS.
- Wong, R, 2002. "La Migración y las Condiciones Socioeconómicas en Edades Mayores" (Migration and Socioeconomic Conditions at Old Age), *Revista DEMOS*, Mexico.
- Parker, S and R Wong, 2001. "Welfare of Male and Female Elderly in Mexico: a Comparison," Chapter 8 in *The Economics of Gender in Mexico: Work, Family, State, and Market*, The World Bank, Washington, D.C.
- Wong, R and M Aysa-Lastra, 2001. "Envejecimiento y Salud en México: un enfoque integrado" (Aging and Health in Mexico: an integrated approach), in *Estudios Demográficos y Urbanos*, 16(3), El Colegio de México, Mexico.
- Wong, R and ME Figueroa, 2001. Salud y Contexto Familiar: una nota sobre análisis de datos (Health and the Family Context: a note on data analysis), in *Procesos Sociales, Población y Familia*, Cristina Gomes (ed.), Grupo Editorial Porrúa, Mexico.
- Wong, R, C Capoferro and BJ Soldo, 1999. "Financial Assistance from Middle-Aged Couples to Parents and Children: Racial-Ethnic Differences," *Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences*, 54B, No. 3, S145-S153.
- Wong, R, K Kitayama and BJ Soldo, 1999. "Ethnic Differences in Time Transfers from Adult Children to Elderly Parents: Unobserved Heterogeneity across Families" *Research on Aging*, Special Issue on Multilevel Analysis in Aging Research, Vol. 21, No.2: 144-175.
- Wong, R and ME Figueroa, 1999. "Morbilidad y Utilización de Servicios de Salud entre Población de Edad Avanzada: Un Análisis Comparativo," (*Morbidity and Use of Health Services among the Elderly: A Comparative Analysis*), *Papeles de Población*, 5(19):103-124. Mexico.
- Wong, R, 1999. "Transferencias Intergeneracionales en México" (*Intergenerational Transfers in Mexico*), in *Envejecimiento Demográfico de México: Retos y Perspectivas*, Mexico, D.F. Consejo Nacional de Población.

- Parker, S and R Wong, 1997. "Household Income and Health Care Expenditures in Mexico," *Health Policy*, (40): 237-255.
- Ram, M and R Wong, 1994. "Covariates of Household Extension in Rural India: Change Over Time." *Journal of Marriage and the Family*, 56 (November):853-864.
- Cassard, SD, CS Weisman, DL Gordon and RWong, 1994. "The Impact of Unit-Based Self-Management by Nurses on Patient Outcomes." *Health Services Research*, 29(4), October.
- Wong, R, 1994. "On the Interpretation of the Effect of Income on Nutritional Status at the Household or Individual Levels." *Research in Human Capital and Development*, Volume 8:43-53.
- Zaky, H, R Wong and I Sirageldin, 1993. "Testing for the Onset of Fertility Decline: An Illustration with the case of Egypt." *Pakistan Development Review*, 32(3) Autumn.
- Gordon, DL, CS Weisman, S Cassard, R Wong, 1994. "Reorganizing Hospital Nursing Resources: A Self-Managed Unit Model." *Series on Nursing Administration*, Vol. 7.
- Wong, R, DL Gordon, SD Cassard, CS Weisman and M Bergner, 1993. "A Cost Analysis of a Professional Practice Model for Nursing." *Nursing Economic*, Volume 11, No. 5, September/October.
- Weisman, CS, DL Gordon, SD Cassard, M Bergner and R Wong. "The Effects of Unit Self-Management on Hospital Nurses' Work Process, Work Satisfaction, and Retention." *Medical Care*, (31(5) 1993.
- Wong, R and R Levine. "Household Structures as a Response to Economic Adjustments: Evidence from the 1980's urban Mexico." *Estudios Demograficos y Urbanos*, 7(2-3) 1992.
- Zabin, L, R Wong, R Weinick and M Emerson. "Dependency in Urban Black Families following the Birth of an Adolescent's Child." *Journal of Marriage and the Family*, 54(3):496-507, 1992.
- K. Alvi, R. Wong. "Income aspirations and migrant women's labour force activity in Malaysia," in *Internal Migration of Women in Developing Countries*, Proceedings of the United Nations Expert Meeting on the Feminization of Internal Migration, 1993 New York: United Nations.
- Wong, R and R Levine. "The Effects of the Structure of the Household on Women's Economic Activity and Fertility: Evidence from Recent Mothers in Urban Mexico." *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, 41(1), October 1992.
- R. Frank and R. Wong. "Empirical Considerations for Models of Female Labor Supply and Fertility in Developed Countries." In I. Sirageldin (ed.), *Research in Human Capital and Development*, Volume 6, 1990.

RESEARCH GRANT PARTICIPATION

- Child Survival, Fertility Control and Population Growth, 4/89-6/92, UNICEF.
P.I. W. H. Mosley
- Household Structure in Urban Mexico and Implications for Women's Market Activities, 6/90-10/91, Rockefeller Foundation.
P.I. R. Wong
- Model for Reorganizing Nursing Resources, 4/90-3/92, NIH-NCNR
P.I. D. Gordon
- Population Change and Public Health: A U.S.-Mexico Collaborating Universities Project. 10/91-9/00, USAID.
P.I. R. Wong
- Economics of Intergenerational Transfers: U.S. Hispanics.
Special Emphasis Research Career Award for Economics and Demography of Aging,
8/94-12/98. NIH-NIA (K04).
P.I. R. Wong

Immigration and Intergenerational Transfers.
10/97 - 12/98. NIH-NIA (R55, Shannon Award).
P.I. R. Wong

Mexican Health and Aging Study (MHAS). Co-P.I.
7/99 - 7/04. NIH-NIA (R01)
P.I. B. Soldo

Health Conditions among Elderly in Latin America.
7/05-6/09. NIH-NIA (R01)
P.I. R. Wong

The Past Context: supplementing survey data on aging in Mexico
7/06-6/08. NIH-NIA (R03)
P.I. R. Wong

Social Disparities in Health Among Latinos in the U.S. – Co-P.I.
7/07-6/12. NIH-NICHD (R01)
P.I. A. Pebley

Pending:

Lifestyle Risk factors and Old-Age Consequences: U.S. and Mexico Compared
7/07 – 6/11 NIH - NIA (R01)
P.I. R. Wong

EDITORIAL ACTIVITIES

Ad Hoc Reviewer for *Social Biology*, *Journals of Gerontology: Social Sciences*, *Journal of Aging and Health*, *Panamerican Journal of Public Health*, *Demography*, *International Journal of Aging and Human Development*, *International Family Planning Perspectives*, *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, *World Development*, *Population and Development Review*, *Population Research and Policy Review*, *Health Affairs*, *Population Reference Bureau*, *Salud Pública de México*.

Member, Editorial Board, *Papeles de Población* (Papers on Population), Center for Research and Advanced Studies on Population, Autonomous University of Mexico, Mexico (1998- present).

Member, Editorial Board, *Journal of Aging and Health*, SAGE Publications (2005-present).

Deputy Editor, *Demography*, (2004-present).

ADVISING AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 1987-1998 Johns Hopkins University School of Public Health. Department of Population Dynamics. Main advisor to 10 Ph.D. students and 5 Master's degree students. Member of 25 Ph.D. final dissertation committees. Thesis Advisor of 5 Ph.D. graduates; supervisor of 2 Post-doctoral Fellows. Instructor or Co-instructor of graduate courses: Economics of Population, Food Policy and Population, and under-graduate course: Economic Demography. Ad hoc lectures on Economics of Aging; Population and the Economy; Economics of Family Planning.
- 1999 Instructor of graduate course: Economics of Population, Johns Hopkins University, School of Public Health, Montgomery County Campus.
- 1999 Instructor of graduate course: Quantitative Methods III, Georgetown Public Policy Institute. Georgetown University.
- 2001 Instructor of undergraduate Social Demography, University of Maryland.
- 2002 Mentor. McNair Post-baccalaureate Program to introduce minority students to research careers. University of Maryland.

- 2004-present Instructor, summer course on Aging, Poverty and Wellbeing, National Institute of Public Health, Mexico.
 2005, 2006 Guest lecturer, University of Michigan ICPSR, Summer Workshop on Minority Aging and Health, June.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- 1988 Collaboration in Long Term Perspectives Study on Economic Impact of Rapid Population Growth in Sub-Saharan Africa, The World Bank, Africa Technical Department.
 1989 Collaboration in Assessment of Financial Aspects of HIV Screening and Testing Programs in Peru, AIDSTECH/Family Health International. Lima, Peru.
 1990, 1992 Costs and Sustainability of HIV-High Risk Intervention Projects in Dominican Republic and Mexico, AIDSTECH/Family Health International. Santo Domingo and Puerto Plata, D.R. (1990); Ciudad Juárez, Mexico, and Puerto Plata, Dominican Republic (1992).
 1990 Outside expert reviewer. National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases. AIDS Research Review Committee.
 1994 Member. National Institute of General Medical Sciences (Behavioral Sciences), Minority Biomedical Research Support Review Panel, NIH.
 1994 Member. National Science Foundation Expert Reviewer, Economics Program.
 1996, 1997 Member. Special Review Committee, Site Visit Team, NIH-NICHHD.
 1998 Member. Small Grant Review in Economics Special Emphasis Panel. NIH-NIA.
 1998 Consultant and Ad Hoc Member Advisory Board, Panamerican Health Organization, Project SABE (Health, Aging and Well Being of the Elderly in the Americas).
 1998, 1999 Member. Review Committee, Interagency Agreements. NIH-NIA.
 1999 Consultant for Gender and the Economy in Mexico; the World Bank; Poverty Reduction and Economic Management Division. Consultant for Health and Aging in Mexico; the World Bank; Development Research Group.
 2002-2005 Member. Advisory Board for the SABE study on Wellbeing of the Elderly in the Americas. Panamerican Health Organization (PAHO/WHO).
 2002-2003 Consultant for International Migration; U.S. Census Bureau International Migration Group.
 2002,2003 Member. International Evaluation Committee for the Interamerican Research Award on Social Security Research, Interamerican Conference on Social Security.
 2002-present Member. International Outreach Committee. Population Association of America (PAA).
 2004-present Member. Panel on Aging. International Union for the Scientific Study of Population (IUSSP).
 2005-present Founding member and Coordinator, Network for Research on Latin American and Caribbean Aging, REALCE.
 2005-2007 Member of Special Emphasis Review Panel, Social Science and Population Studies, NIH.

PAPER PRESENTATIONS (since 2001)

Papers presented at the following institutions:

University of California San Diego, Center for Mexico-U.S. Studies (San Diego)- Jan 2007
 University of Texas Population Studies Center Seminar Series (Austin),
 University of Texas Second Conference on Aging in the Americas (Austin),
 University of Texas Medical Branch Sealy Center on Aging (Galveston),
 Population Reference Bureau (Washington, D.C.),
 U.S. Census Bureau Seminar Series on International Migration (Washington, D.C.),
 Syracuse University Maxwell School of Public Policy (Syracuse, NY),
 Latinamerican Faculty for Social Science (Mexico),
 University of Costa Rica Population Research Center (Costa Rica).

Papers presented at the following professional meetings:

Population Association of America Annual Meetings,
 Gerontological Society of America Annual Meetings,
 Annual Congress of the International Association of Gerontology,
 Annual Meetings of REVES (International Network for Research on Healthy Life Expectancy),
 Mexican Society of Demography Meetings,
 Mexican Bi-Annual Research Symposium on Public Health (Mexico),
 International Conference on Innovations in Health Financing (Mexico),
 Interamerican Conference on Social Security (Brazil),

CEPAL United Nations Experts Meeting on Aging in Latin America (Chile),
 Meetings of the International Union for the Scientific Study of Population (France),
 U.S. General Accounting Office Expert Panel on Immigration (Washington, D.C.).

MEMBERSHIP

Population Association of America,
 International Union for the Scientific Study of Population,
 Gerontological Society of America,
 Sociedad Mexicana de Demografía (*Mexican Society of Demography*).
 Asociación Latinoamericana de Población (*Latin American Population Association*)

University of Maryland Academic Service (since 2001)

Committees

2003 Member, Search committee for Director of the NIH-funded Maryland Population Research Center.
 2004 Chair, Search committee for Project Manager of Information Technology, Maryland Population Research Center.
 2005 Member, University Task Force on NIH Funding.
 2005 Member, University Search Committee for Associate Vice-President of Research Development.
 2006-2007 Member, University of Maryland Community Research Committee, multi-university CTSA proposal for NIH

Participation in final dissertation or final thesis committees

- 1) Aparna Sundaram, PhD Sociology, 2005
 "Modernization, life course, and marriage timing in Indonesia"
- 2) Lekha Subaiya, PhD Sociology, 2005
 "Elders resources and family support in Bangladesh"
- 3) Ching-Yi Shieh, PhD Sociology, 2005 (co-director of dissertation)
 "Gendered labor force structure and the adult children's provision of transfers to their elderly parents"
- 4) Jennifer Godwin PhD Economics, 2003
- 5) Julio Cáceres del Piano PhD Economics, 2005
 "Female labor force participation and obesity"
- 6) Juan José Díaz PhD Economics, 2005
 "The selection bias of matching estimators," and "Birth spacing and the gender composition of children"
- 7) Javier Espinosa PhD Economics, 2006
 "The causality and characterization of the widowhood effect"
- 8) John C. Scott M.A. Sociology, 2002
 "Is phased retirement a state of mind? The role of individual preferences"
- 9) Sherri King McNair post-baccalaureate research program 2002 (Mentor)
 "Health and wealth differentials across racial and ethnic groups of the U.S. elderly"
- 10) Anna Cowell Honors bachelor's Sociology, 2005 (thesis director)
 "Socioeconomic and occupational covariates of health insurance coverage in the U.S."

Supervisor to Graduate Research Assistants working on funded research projects

- 1) Yyannú Cruz-Aguayo, PhD Economics, 2001-2003
- 2) Julio Cáceres del Piano, PhD Economics, summer 2002
- 3) Pablo Ortiz, MBA School of Business, 2002-2004
- 4) Juan José Díaz, PhD Economics, 2003-2005
- 5) Ching-Yi Shieh, PhD Sociology, 2002-2004
- 6) Lekha Subaiya, PhD Sociology, 2004-2005
- 7) Rong Wang, PhD Sociology, 2005-2007
- 8) Yyannú Cruz-Aguayo, PhD Public Affairs, 2005-2006
- 9) Juan Cristobal Ruiz-Tagle, PhD Agriculture Economics, 2005-present
- 10) Rubaba Ali, PhD Economics, 2007-Present