

2026 All UC-Demography Conference: Detailed Schedule

All conference events will take place at:
[The Loma Pelona Center](#) at UC-Santa Barbara
 Ocean Rd, Santa Barbara, CA 93117



Day 1: Thursday, February 26, 2026

<i>Time</i>	<i>Event</i>
12:30 pm	Registration Open Refreshments – Coffee, Tea, Water, Snacks
1:00 – 1:15 pm	Opening / Welcome Remarks
1:15 – 2:35 pm	Session 1: Race, Caste, Class and Economic Opportunity
15 min/talk 20 min Q & A	Moderator: Dr. Kathy Baylis (UC-Santa Barbara, Geography)
	Jimena Rico-Straffon: <i>Impacts of Piped Water Shortages on Labor Supply: Evidence from Mexico City</i> UC-Santa Barbara, Economics
	Robert Fairlie, Prashant Loyalka, Saurabh Khanna, Gagandeep Sachdeva: <i>Affirmative Action, Faculty Productivity and Caste Interactions: Evidence from Engineering Colleges in India</i> UC-Los Angeles, Public Policy
	David Neumark and Jyotsana Kala: <i>Minimum Wages and Race Disparities</i> UC-Irvine, Economics

	<p>Masoud Movahed: <i>The Determinants of Perceived Upward and Downward Intergenerational Mobility in America: A Machine Learning Approach</i> UC-Santa Barbara, Sociology</p>
2:35 - 2:40 pm	Brief Bio Break
2:40 – 4:00 pm 15 min/talk 20 min Q & A	<p>Session 2: Living with Risk: Violence, Disease, and Health Policy Across Contexts</p> <p>Moderator: Dr. Michael Gurven (UC-Santa Barbara, Anthropology)</p> <p>Jeffrey Swindle and Matthew Blanton: <i>Violence and International Migration in Illiberal Times: The Case of El Salvador’s Authoritarian Transformation</i> UC-Irvine, Criminology, Law & Society</p> <p>Tracy Kuo Lin, Saibou Doumbia, Kassoum Kayentao, Emily Treleaven: <i>Prospect Theory and Healthcare Decision Making Amidst Violence: Spatial and Temporal Evidence from a Randomized Control Trial in Rural Mali</i> UC-San Francisco, Social and Behavioral Sciences</p> <p>Shutong Huo, Abhery Das, Tim Bruckner: <i>Fentanyl Test Strip Policy in US and Overdose Deaths, 2016–2023</i> UC-Irvine, Health, Society, and Behavior</p> <p>Kylee Hoffman, Simon Cooper, Ayesha Mahmud: <i>The impact of measles-induced “immune amnesia” on infectious disease mortality in Brazil</i> UC-Berkley, Demography</p>
4:00 – 4:30 pm	<p>Keynote: Declining Fertility: Some Converging Ideas Dr. Shelly Lundberg, UC-Santa Barbara Leonard Broom Professor of Demography Distinguished Professor of Economics</p>
4:30 – 6:30 pm	<p>Poster Reception – Drinks & Appetizers <i>Poster presenters and titles are listed at the end of this file.</i></p>

Day 2: Friday, February 27, 2026

<i>Time</i>	<i>Event</i>
8:00 am	Breakfast – fruit platter, breakfast pastries, coffee, tea On-site Registration
8:00 – 8:10 am	Morning Welcome
8:10 – 9:15 am 15 min/talk 20 min Q & A	Session 3: Families in Flux: Development, Dynamics, and Wellbeing Moderator: Dr. Sarah Thébaud (UC-Santa Barbara, Sociology) Rachel Goldberg: <i>Links Between Recent Family Instability and Adolescent Affect and Behavior: Perspectives from an Intensive Longitudinal Study</i> UC-Irvine, Sociology Suyeon Park Jang and Barbara Pham: <i>Mechanisms of Division of Domestic Labor under Crisis: Same- and Different-Gender Couples in the COVID-19 Pandemic</i> UC-Irvine, Sociology Giulia Olivero , Henrik Kleven, Eleonora Patacchini: <i>Child Penalties and Parental Role Model: Classroom Exposure Effects</i> UC-Los Angeles, California Center for Population Research
9:15 – 9:30 am	Announce Poster Winners Break – Coffee, Tea, Water, Snacks
9:30 – 11:05 am 15 min/talk 20 min Q & A	Session 4: Methodological & Formal Demography Moderator: Dr. Stuart Sweeney (UC-Santa Barbara, Geography) Romain Wacziarg and Guillaume Blanc: <i>Malthusian Migrations</i> UC-Los Angeles, Anderson School of Management Michelle Poulin , Nurul Alam, Md. Moinnudin Haider, Dennis M. Feehan: <i>How does information about death spread? Insights from qualitative research in rural Bangladesh</i> UC-Berkeley, Berkeley Population Center Adriana Lleras-Muney , Andrew Goodman-Bacon, Joseph Price, Dahai Yue, Carson Zhang: <i>The Association Between Income and Adult Life Expectancy in the United States Emerged in the Mid 20th Century</i> UC-Los Angeles, Economics

	<p>Megan Sweeney: <i>Did the U.S. “Gray Divorce” Rate Really Double? An Alternate Window onto Recent Divorce Trends among Midlife and Older Adults, 1990 - 2010</i> UC-Los Angeles, Sociology</p> <p>Patrick Heuveline and Nanum Jeon: <i>Excess Mortality and Population Loss: A Formal Analysis and an Application to the Chronic US Mortality Disadvantage, 1956-2023</i> UC-Los Angeles, Sociology</p>
11:05 – 1:00 pm	<p>Optional Isla Vista Walk Lunch</p>
1:00 – 2:35 pm 15 min/talk 20 min Q & A	<p>Session 5: Policy, Education and Health</p> <p>Moderator: Dr. Erin Hamilton (UC-Davis Sociology)</p> <p>Stephanie Koning, Taylor Hargrove, Thomas McDade, Allison Aiello, and Kathleen Mullan Harris: <i>Disparities in Women’s Biological Aging by Reproductive History in Early Midlife: Findings from Add Health</i> University of Nevada, Reno & UC-Berkeley Population Center</p> <p>Eunho Cha and Jade Jenkins: <i>Investing in Public Preschool, Supporting Working Mothers?: The Labor Market Effects of State Pre-K Funding</i> UC-Irvine, School of Education</p> <p>Michael Walker, Michelle Layvant, Edward Miguel, Owen Ozier: <i>Impacts of Secondary School in Kenya after Two Decades</i> UC-Berkeley, Center for Effective Global Action</p> <p>Emtiaz Hossain Hritan, Tim A. Bruckner: <i>The Politics of Birth: How Local Representation Shapes Maternal-Infant Outcomes</i> <i>UC-Irvine, Department of Health, Society, and Behavior</i></p> <p>Sandy Sum and Shan Zhang: <i>Who Gains from Drinking Water Regulation? Evidence from the 2006 Arsenic Rule and Infant Health</i> UC-Davis, Agricultural and Resource Economics</p>
2:35 – 2:50 pm	<p>Break – Coffee, Tea, Water, Snacks</p>
2:50 – 3:55 pm 15 min/talk 20 min Q & A	<p>Session 6: Access Matters: Evidence on Contraception, Abortion Bans, and Birth Outcomes</p> <p>Moderator: Dr. Catherine Taylor (UC-Santa Barbara, Sociology)</p>

	<p>Emilia Brito, Martha J. Bailey; Deniz Gorgulu; Kelsey Figone; Vanessa Wanner Lang; Alexa Prettyman; Vanessa K. Dalton: <i>Does Increasing Access to Contraception in the U.S. Promote Contraceptive Choice or Reduce Undesired Pregnancies? Evidence from a Randomized Control Trial</i> UC-Los Angeles, California Center for Population Research</p> <p>Alison Gemmill and Alexander Franks: <i>Abortion Bans and Infant Birth Outcomes</i> UC-Los Angeles, Sociology</p> <p>Heather Royer and Camila Paleo: <i>Effects of Abortion Access on the Availability of Hospital-Based Maternity Wards</i> UC-Santa Barbara, Economics</p>
3:55 pm	Closing Remarks

*Please reach out to broom@broomcenter.ucsb.edu with any questions.

Full List of Poster Presenters:

Presenter Name	UC	Department	Poster Title
Aaron Ainsworth	UC-Irvine	School of Education	Comparing Access to Special Education Staff in Public and Private Schools Using Administrative Data
Anny Viloria	UC-Los Angeles	Community Health Sciences	Characterizing the causal links between discrimination and substance use among unhoused adults in Los Angeles County
Anoushka Patel	UC-Los Angeles	Sociology	When do fathers migrate? An analysis of child-level predictors of exposure to parental labor migration in a migrant-sending area
Antonio Pedro Ramos	UC-Los Angeles	California Center for Population Research	Understanding the Declining in Infant Mortality in Sub-Saharan Africa: A Proposal using Microdata from 31 Countries and a New Application of the Oaxaca Method.

Brianna Chan	UC-Santa Barbara	Geography	Reproductive Health across the Life Course: Linking Early Menarche to Disease and Behavioral Outcomes
Celina Morales	UC-Irvine	Health, Society, and Behavior	Racial differences in healthcare, distress, and cannabis use among California Adults
Citlali Trigos-Raczkowski	UC-Berkley	Demography	Mental Healthcare Utilization in the Transition to Motherhood among Immigrants and their Descendants in Finland
Hannah Malak	UC-Santa Barbara	Geography	Heat and Social Vulnerability in California Elementary Schools
Hsiu-yu Yang	UC-Los Angeles	Sociology	Childhood Family Experience and the Timing and Context of First Births: A Life Course Perspective
Katie McMahon	UC-Santa Barbara	Geography	Will climate-induced heat and humidity deepen long-run health disparities in South Asia?
Nick Shankar	UC-Berkley	Economics	Can Cash Transfers Save Lives? Evidence from a Large-Scale Experiment in Kenya
Nik van der Wagt	UC-Berkley	Department of demography	Population Momentum from Replacement Migration
Nusrat Zahan Jarin	UC-Santa Barbara	Geography	Spatiotemporal dynamics of dengue risk in Bangladesh: A GIS based approach
Reetika Sindhi	UC-Santa Barbara	Economics	Intergenerational Spillovers of Birth Order: Evidence from United States
Reid Berry	UC-Irvine	Sociology	The Symptom-to-Diagnosis Gap in Depression Across Sexual/Gender Minority Status and Race: Evidence from a National Sample of Young Adults
Sarah Beth Stein	UC-Los Angeles	Community Health Sciences	Workplace controls, heat symptoms, and health in a changing climate: The case of outdoor workers in Los Angeles

Simon Lazzara Cooper	UC-Berkley	Sociology & Demography	Not all or nothing? Climate concern and completed fertility
Sofia Kaloper	UC-Santa Barbara	Geography	Structural Stigma and Housing Insecurity Among Sexual Minority Men in the United States: Integrating Post-Stratified AMIS Data with BRFSS Benchmarks
Steven Herrera Tenorio	UC-Berkley	Sociology and Demography	Ethnic Economies in New Immigrant Destinations: Evaluating Hispanic Immigrants' Residential Mobility in the U.S. South, 2006-2018.
Tom Basin	UC-Los Angeles	Economics	Trade and Labor Mobility: The Effect of Increased Tariffs on Immigration
Wenbei Zhang	UC-Santa Barbara	Economics	Homeland Echoes: The Persistent Grip of Origin Culture on Immigrants