January

**The best books to boost your career in 2013**
*Forbes - January 7, 2013*
Human development professor Karl Pillemers "30 Lessons for Living: Tried and True Advice from the Wisest Americans" offers sage career tips.

**Office weight-loss contests rise, saboteurs and all**
*The Wall Street Journal - January 8, 2013*
The slim-down programs that work best include financial incentives, such as cash prizes and upfront deposits, finds research by Professor John Cawley.

**'Cutting for Bieber' Twitter hoax allegedly started by 4Chan**
*The Huffington Post - January 8, 2013*
Images of cutting can serve as triggers for those who are already vulnerable or prone to self-injury, said Janis Whitlock, research scientist at the Bronfenbrenner Center for Translational Research.

**Here's the skinny: diets are becoming passe**
*NBC Today - January 12, 2013*
Our attitudes about weight constantly shift, says Professor John Cawley.

**Can scholarships keep home-grown talent in state?**
*The Fiscal Times - January 23, 2013*
A paper by Maria Fitzpatrick, assistant professor of policy analysis and management, questions the effectiveness of state merit aid programs at retaining students.

**What gives guys? Even in young, unmarried couples, women still do the chores: study**
*New York Daily News - January 25, 2013*
A qualitative study by Professor Sharon Sassler finds that cohabitating women do a disproportionate share of housework -- even when they are the breadwinners in a relationship. More: Boston.com, New York magazine, The Huffington Post.

**Phillies to put MLB star on scale -- but will it work?**
*NBC Chicago - January 27, 2013*
Professor John Cawley discusses weight-loss incentives built into the contracts of professional athletes.

**Should smokers and overeaters be penalized? Yes, say experts**
*Canada.com - January 28, 2013*
John Cawley, professor of policy analysis and management and of economics, comments on how diseases brought on by poor individual health habits end up adding to others' health care costs. More: The Huffington Post, Salon. The piece, reported by the Associated Press, appeared in hundreds of news outlets around the globe.

**Professor Yale-Loehr Discusses Immigration Reform and the New bipartisan Agreement Reached in the Senate to Overhaul the Current System**
*America's Radio News - January 28, 2013*
Stephen Yale-Loehr of the Law School is featured in a broadcast about immigration reform.

**Study: Less housework equals more sex for married men**
*The Toronto Star - January 30, 2013*
Sharon Sasser, professor of policy analysis and management, shares her insights on the division of household labor for a new study on domestic duties and sex. More: [CBS News Network](#).

**Save the Postal Service from collapse**
*CNN - January 31, 2013*
Rick Geddes, associate professor of policy analysis and management, argues that corporatizing the U.S. Post Office, which is losing roughly $25 million per day, can revive the agency. More: [CNBC, The Guardian, American Public Media, Salon](#).

**Does Massachusetts predict employer behavior under Obamacare? Probably not**
*Forbes - January 31, 2013*
Research by Richard Burkhauser, the Sarah Gibson Blanding Professor in the Department of Policy Analysis and Management, informs the debate on how employers are likely to respond to new health care reform provisions. More: [The Epoch Times](#).

**February**

**Life lessons from our elders: Stay positive**
*MarketWatch - February 6, 2013*
Professor Karl Pillemer writes an opinion piece applauding Taco Bell's viral ad on "oldsters."

**10 ways to build a long, healthy, loving relationship**
*The Washington Post - February 8, 2013*
What do people married for 40, 50, 60, or more years say are the "trade secrets" to their success? Professor Karl Pillemer interviewed more than 1,000 elder Americans to find out.

**U.S. Post Office loses $1.3 billion in first quarter**
*Bloomberg News - February 8, 2013*
"They cannot cut costs in a way that will make them sustainable," says associate professor Rick Geddes of the USPS plans to cut spending. "It's like if you reduce the costs of horses and buggies in the automobile era."

**More college grads equals faster economic growth**
*Bloomberg News - February 12, 2013*
An argument for expanding college aid programs cites findings by Michael Lovenheim and Emily Owens, assistant professors of policy analysis and management, that limiting access to financial aid greatly limits one's means of investing in college.

**The $9 minimum wage that already exists**
*The Wall Street Journal - February 13, 2013*
An opinion piece against raising the federal minimum wage cites research by professor Richard Burkhauser and others finding that most who work and earn minimum wage are living in households above the poverty line.

**Marriage Advice Project seeks older adults**
*WAMC Northeast Public Radio - February 13, 2013*
Despite decades of differences and technological advances, professor Karl Pillemer says he has found that younger people are looking for advice from their elders on how to marry successfully.

Cornell professor interviews Hershey seniors for relationship book
WHTM-TV - February 14, 2013
Karl Pillemer, the Hazel E. Reed Professor in the Department of Human Development, says he's using the advice of elders to spread the good, the bad, and the downright ugly truths of relationships.

White House details preschool plan
The Wall Street Journal - February 14, 2013
Maria Fitzpatrick, assistant professor of policy analysis, discusses the problems and misconceptions related to pre-K programs in light of President Obama's call to expand such education. Fitzpatrick was also consulted by NPR Morning Edition's science correspondent. More: FactCheck.org, Atlanta Black Star, Syracuse Post-Standard, Providence Journal, WGAU, and FOX 34 Lubbock.

Incomes flat in recovery, but not for the 1%

Fact check: Obama preschool plan
USA Today - February 20, 2013
Maria Fitzpatrick, assistant professor of policy analysis and management, finds in her research that while the benefits of universal preschool for disadvantaged children were clear, they were less so for middle-income kids. More: Yahoo! News.

Study disputes long-term medical savings from bariatric surgery
The Los Angeles Times - February 20, 2013
"We need to know better not just what works, but what gets us the best bang for the buck," says professor John Cawley. More: MSN Money.

Desperate post office tries to find its 'cool' factor
Reuters - February 20, 2013
Associate professor Rick Geddes says the USPS not only needs to find new sources of revenue, but also capture the attention of young people if it's going to survive. More: Chicago Tribune.

Money replaces willpower in programs promoting weight loss
National Public Radio - February 20, 2013
Studies show monetary rewards are effective in helping people who want to quit smoking or taking illegal drugs, says policy analysis and management professor John Cawley. But food is different.

Senator aims to move quickly on postal reform
USA Today - February 23, 2013
Postal reform is difficult because it pits urban lawmakers against rural lawmakers, who worry about residents in remote areas getting cut off from needed services, says Rick Geddes, associate professor of policy analysis and management.
Family dinner: Treasured tradition or bygone ideal?
*National Public Radio - February 26, 2013*
"Our research shows that the benefits of family dinners are not as strong or as lasting as previous studies suggest," says Kelly Musick, associate professor of policy analysis and management.

Women Trail in U.S. Employment Gains as Governments Cut
*Bloomberg – February 27, 2013*
Francine Blau, Professor of economics, was quoted this week about trailing employment gains for U.S. women, and how government cuts will augment the problem. More: *Journal Gazette, New York Times, BusinessWeek, San Francisco Chronicle*, and *Format Trend*.

March
Should smokers and the obese pay more for health insurance?
*Minnesota Public Radio - March 4, 2013*
John Cawley, professor of policy analysis and management, discusses the ethics surrounding the cost of treating health issues due to risky behaviors.

No easy lessons in assessing preschool payoff
*The Wall Street Journal - March 8, 2013*
Policy analysis and management professors Bill Trochim and Maria Fitzpatrick weigh in on the debate about the value of early childhood education programs.

Why disasters like Sandy hit the elderly hard
*Live Science - March 8, 2013*
Elaine Wethington, professor of human development and of sociology, details seniors' vulnerability to climate change and natural disasters. More: *Yahoo! News* and *eWallstreeter*.

Facing the puzzling urge to injure
*The Boston Globe - March 11, 2013*
College students who self-injure are about three times more likely to attempt or consider suicide, Janis Whitlock, research specialist in the Bronfenbrenner Center for Translational Research, finds in a study.

Teen dating violence leaves scars, experts say
*Chicago Tribune - March 13, 2013*
"We know that dating violence is a really important public health problem," says Deinera Exner-Cortens, graduate student in human development and the Bronfenbrenner Center for Translational Research. More: *The Indianapolis Star*.

Updated population estimates show decline in Southern Tier
*WSKG-PM (NPR) – March 14, 2013*

A surprisingly uncontroversial program that gives money to poor people
*National Public Radio - March 15, 2013*
"This program worked," says professor Richard Burkhauser of the Earned Income Tax Credit.
Rise of Latino population blurs U.S. racial lines
Associated Press - March 18, 2013
"How America responds now to the new challenges of racial and ethnic diversity will determine whether it becomes a more open and inclusive society in the future," says Dan Lichter, the Ferris Family Professor in the Department of Policy Analysis and Management, regarding a growing number of nonwhites in the U.S. The article appeared in hundreds of news outlets.

Secrets of those who lived past 100
FOX News Magazine - March 18, 2013
Many of those in the 100-plus club are lucky in that "they are likely to have a huge number of generations" in their family trees, says Karl Pillemer, the Hazel E. Reed Professor in the Department of Human Development.

Experts hang a tough price tag on repairs
Minnesota Public Radio - March 20, 2013
Professor Rick Geddes speaks about the dwindling resources in the U.S. available for infrastructure maintenance. More: Newsday and an op-ed in The Hill.

The Postmaster General May Have Washington's Worst Job
Bloomberg BusinessWeek – March 25, 2013
Policy Analysis and Management Professor Rick Geddes continued to be the go-to voice on the U.S. Postal Service.

Community conversation: Women and the workplace
WSKG Radio - March 26, 2013
Rachel Dunifon, associate professor of policy analysis and management, participates in a radio segment about gender equality in the workplace.

Mergers aren't the answer
Albany Times Union – March 27, 2013
Development Sociology Professor John Sipple, argued against the move toward school consolidation in a budget-season op-ed.

Kids May Stay On Disability If Their Parents Rely On The Check
NPR: All Things Considered – March 28, 2013
Policy Analysis and Management Professor Rich Burkhauser was featured in an NPR interview on cycles of poverty.

Men who do more housework have less sex
Scientific American - March 29, 2013
Sharon Sassler, professor of policy analysis and management, is skeptical of the study's findings, noting changing trends in cohabitation and divisions of household chores.

Five ways to reform Social Security Disability Insurance
With the number of Americans on disability skyrocketing, Richard Burkhauser, the Sarah Gibson Blanding Professor in the Department of Policy Analysis and Management, and co-author Mary Daly offer numerous economic reforms in their book, "The Declining Work and Welfare of People with Disabilities."
April

When teen dating turns dangerous
The Boston Globe - April 1, 2013
"If a teen's first intimate relationship is abusive, it may skew his or her view of what a healthy relationship looks like," says Deina Exner-Cortens, a doctoral student in human development who has studied teen dating abuse.

Lean in, Dad
Research by economics PhD student Ankita Patnaik, studying under PAM assistant professor Michael Lovenheim and others, found that paternity leave policies had a lasting effect on father's involvement in child care and other domestic work.

The most surprising regret of the very old - and how you can avoid it
The Huffington Post - April 4, 2013
To his surprise, professor Karl Pillemer discovered that the biggest regret reported by hundreds of older Americans was too much time spent worrying. More: Business Insider.

Postal Service still losing money despite customer growth
Salon - April 8, 2013
"The more delivery points they have to service, the higher their costs," says professor Rick Geddes about the continued economic woes of the U.S. Post Office. The story, originally reported by the Associated Press, appeared in hundreds of news outlets.

Cohabitation is lasting longer, becoming more common
The Huffington Post - April 9, 2013
A report on the growing prevalence of cohabitation cites previous research by Sharon Sassler, professor of policy analysis and management, on the topic.

Bad news for advocates of higher cigarette taxes
The Economist - April 13, 2013
Research by professor John Cawley shows that raising taxes on cigarettes does little to discourage teen smokers, a large share of whom smoke to stay thin.

New deal for Roosevelt's TVA seen as hard sell for Obama
Bloomberg News - April 15, 2013
A private power authority would be "more nimble than a state-owned enterprise," says Rick Geddes, associate professor of policy analysis and management, about a proposal to sell the Tennessee Valley Authority.

Coming to a workplace near you: Fines for being fat?
Fortune - April 15, 2013
John Cawley, professor of policy analysis and management and of economics, and Joshua Price, PhD '10, are studying workplace programs to offer employees financial incentives to lose weight. More: Prevention, FOX News.

Immigration reformers seek to avoid déjà vu
CNN – April 18, 2013

How therapy can help in the golden years
Doctors used to believe therapy wouldn't help patients after a certain age unless they'd been treated earlier in life. But, says Karl Pillemer, the Hazel E. Reed Professor in the Department of Human Development, "that's been totally turned around."

Record 8.9 million people now on disability
Investor's Business Daily - April 25, 2013
Richard Burkhauser, the Sarah Gibson Blanding Professor in the Department of Policy Analysis and Management, says that Social Security Disability Insurance growth is "unsustainable."

Even America's Food Aid Program Has Been Hijacked By Special Interests
The Economist – April 25, 2013
Christopher Barrett, Stephen B. & Janice G. Ashley Professor of Applied Economics and Management International Professor of Agriculture, says the aid system isn't very efficient, pointing out that of every U.S. taxpayer dollar spent on food aid, only about 40 cents on average goes toward food. More: Bloomberg BusinessWeek and Business Insider.

What's a 'tax expenditure'? We decode a controversial budget term
American Public Media's Marketplace - April 26, 2013
Listen to political scientist Suzanne Mettler and economist Rich Burkhauser talk about tax expenditures.

May
Happiness could help you sleep better, study finds
The Huffington Post - May 6, 2013
A study led by Anthony Ong, associate professor of human development, shows a link between happiness and increased quality of sleep.

The one lesson on happiness old people insist you need to know
Business Insider - May 6, 2013
Professor Karl Pillemer shares the top wisdom on happiness, careers, marriage, and other matters based on his interviews with the elderly.

The uncertain future of public roads
The Atlantic - May 6, 2013
Professor Rick Geddes details the intricacies of public-private partnerships (PPPs) that are increasingly used to fund infrastructure upgrades that states alone can't afford.

NDIS: Too soon?
The Sydney Morning Herald - May 8, 2013
Professor Richard Burkhauser discusses Australia's National Disability Insurance Scheme.

America's growing Social Security Disability problem
Real Clear Markets - May 15, 2013
Richard Burkhauser, the Sarah Gibson Blanding Professor in the Department of Policy Analysis and Management, pens an opinion piece on reforming the structural flaws leading to America's "disability epidemic."

No Strings Attached? Evaluating China’s Trade Relations Abroad
The Diplomat – May 17, 2013
Sarah Kreps and Gustavo Flores-Macias, both assistant professors of Government, penned an op-ed on China’s trade policies for The Diplomat.

More gym for kids means less chance of obesity, Cornell study says
Los Angeles Times - May 21, 2013

How to Beat Memorial Day Traffic Forever
Policy and Analysis Professor, and nationally recognized infrastructure expert, Rick Geddes offered his thought on how to improve Memorial Day traffic.

Losing my cohabitation virginity
The Daily Beast - May 23, 2013
Sharon Sasser, professor of policy analysis and management, comments on the widespread practice of young couples living together, usually as a precursor to marriage.

I-5 bridge collapse
FOX News - May 25, 2013
Rick Geddes, associate professor of policy analysis and management, appears on the FOX and Friends morning show to discuss transportation infrastructure following the collapse of a highway bridge in Washington.

Focus on passing down your values, not money
Forbes - May 31, 2013
Gerontologist Karl Pillemeyer, the Hazel E. Reed Professor in the Department of Human Development, says "many elders see transmitting their values and core principles as their most important legacy."

June
Union Hopes Pot Bet Pays Off
Lowell Turner discusses medical marijuana workers unionizing.

Immigration bill faces tough path in full Senate
USA Today – June 3, 2013
Stephen Yale-Loehr was quoted in the USA Today article about immigration reform.

Social Security isn't a basket case
Bloomberg Businessweek - June 7, 2013
Professor Richard Burkhauser is quoted about using payroll tax relief to shore up Social Security's finances.
In nation's breadbasket, Latinos stuck in poverty
National Public Radio - June 9, 2013
Professor Dan Lichter comments on disadvantages often facing Hispanics trying to climb the economic ladder in America. The piece, originally reported by the Associated Press, appeared in hundreds of news outlets nationally.

Activistas ven con optimismo el debate de reforma migratoria
La Opinion – June 12, 2013
Law Professor Stephen Yale-Loehr outlined issues with immigration reform for readers of La Opinion.

Erie County's population stabilizes after years of losses
The Buffalo News - June 12, 2013
Jan Vink, a demographer with the Program on Applied Demographics, analyzes the latest Census data for New York state. More: Newsday.

Why Dads Don't Take Paternity Leave
A paper by Economics grad student Ankita Patnaik is referenced in this Wall Street Journal article about paternity leave.

Father of girl in Cheerios ad: This is reality, America better get used to multiracial families
The Christian Post - June 12, 2013
Dan Lichter, the Ferris Family Professor in the Department of Policy Analysis and Management, is quoted about America’s changing racial makeup.

The Unspoken Stigma of Workplace Flexibility
The New York Times pointed to a study by Francine Blau and Lawrence Kahn as it explored the unspoken stigma of workplace flexibility.

Spooky judgments: How agents think about danger
The Huffington Post - June 18, 2013
In a forthcoming study, Valerie Reyna, professor of human development, finds that intelligence agents make irrational judgments about risk.

Career advice to a conflicted college student
Forbes - June 21, 2013
A college student struggling with his career path received sage advice from elders associated with The Legacy Project, an effort by Karl Pillemere, the Hazel E. Reed Professor in the Department of Human Development, to capture wisdom from older adults. More: Business Insider.

What if we're looking at inequality the wrong way?
New research by Richard Burkhauser, the Sarah Gibson Blanding Professor in the Department of Policy Analysis and Management, raises doubts about the conventional wisdom about rising income inequality in the United States. More: National Review.
July
Snowden’s Worst-Case Scenario: What if No Countries Take Him?
Time – July 2, 2013
Law Professor Stephen Yale-Loehr told Time that he expects Edward Snowden, wanted for leaking classified domestic surveillance information to the media, could be a man without a country for a long time.

Overcoming generational poverty
The Washington Post - July 5, 2013
Syndicated columnist Esther Cepeda covers new research by Gary Evans, the Elizabeth Lee Vincent Professor in the College of Human Ecology, finding that poor planning skills contribute to the income-achievement gap.
More: NBC Latino, Education Week.

Digging Into the Dirt: ‘Craving Earth’
A new book by Human Ecology research scientist Sera Young on the human craving to eat dirt was praised by the New York Times.

Who makes better decisions?
FOX News - July 11, 2013

If fathers of boomers favored a child, the tension lasts long
Karl Pillemer, the Hazel E. Reed Professor in the Department of Human Development, co-authored a study examining the long-term effects of fathers' favoritism. More: Chicago Tribune.

Overweight military recruits a concern
Chicago Tribune - July 29, 2013
John Cawley, professor of policy analysis and management and of economics, discusses his research on the rising number of Americans ineligible for military service due to overweight and obesity.

Postal debacle bears stamp of Congress's dysfunction
National Journal - July 29, 2013
Rick Geddes, associate professor of policy analysis and management, urges for the Postal Service to become a "more innovative and entrepreneurial company."

August
Weight loss while you work
Professor John Cawley discusses his recent study of the effectiveness of workplace programs to offer financial incentives or penalties for losing or gaining weight.

Obama sees income inequality as 'bad economics'

Professor Richard Burkhauser questions the Obama administration's rhetoric about rising levels of income inequality in the United States.

Purdue study points at dads in sibling rivalries

Karl Pillmer, the Hazel E. Reed Professor in the Department of Human Development, co-authored a study that finds that when adult children perceive that their father favors a particular child, there is a higher tendency of sibling tension. More: Atlanta Journal-Constitution.

Why 26% of U.S. women still choose not to work

Research by ILR Economist Francine Blau was featured in a CNN Money article about the challenges facing women in the workplace.

Evidence-based justice: Corrupted memory

Stephen Ceci, Helen L. Carr Professor of Developmental Psychology in the Department of Human Development, discusses the issue of false memories in courtroom testimony.

The U.S. and Chinese military have the same problem - unfit recruits

John Cawley, professor of policy analysis and management and of economics, discusses his research on the rising number of men and women ineligible for military service due to overweight and obesity.

Student test scores rose when teachers retired early

Maria Fitzpatrick and Michael Lovenheim, assistant professors of policy analysis and management, found that an early retirement incentive program for Illinois teachers did not hinder student performance. More: Slate, Freakonomics.

Stagnant wages are crimping economic growth

New findings by Professor Richard Burkhauser forecast that demographic trends such as the aging of the American population will "drag down median income over the next two decades." More: WSJ Blogs, The Washington Post.

Census: More Americans are living alone

Daniel Lichter, director of Cornell's Population Center and the Ferris Family Professor in the Department of Policy Analysis and Management, says non-traditional family arrangements of all types are crowding out two-parent households.
Congress should reform Social Security Disability Insurance
Roll Call - August 29, 2013
Noting a declining employment rate for working-age Americans with disabilities, Richard Burkhauser, the Sarah Gibson Blanding Professor in the Department of Policy Analysis and Management, calls on lawmakers to fix structural flaws in the SSDI program.

New study destroys the myth that women can't 'have it all'
Business Insider - August 29, 2013
A study of Danish schoolchildren led by Rachel Dunifon and Sean Nicholson, professors of policy analysis and management, finds a positive link between maternal employment and a child's future high school GPA. More: Slate, AOL Jobs.

September
Interracial couples increasingly common, though many aren't marrying
The Los Angeles Times - September 1, 2013
Dan Lichter, the Ferris Family Professor and director of the Cornell Population Center, comments on the rising number of interracial couples.

Why incomes could fall for the next 30 years
Yahoo! Finance - September 4, 2013
As demographic trends underlying current income drops drag on, the American income squeeze could deepen for decades to come, according to projections by professor Richard Burkhauser. More: CNBC.

Mexico's Tax Overhaul Has Middle Class Crying Foul
NPR - September 12, 2013
Joining their College of Arts and Sciences colleague on the nation’s public radio network were Government Professor Gustavo Flores-Macias, who helped Morning Edition listeners understand social and economic reforms underway in Mexico.

Scientists discover a way to erase traumatic memories
Yahoo! Health - September 16, 2013
Charles Brainerd, professor and chair of human development, explains the concept of "fade-to-gist" memory in the context of eyewitness testimony.

American Farmers Say They Feed The World, But Do They?
NPR - September 17, 2013
Ahead of his pending appearance on The Daily Show, Dyson School Economist Chris Barrett talked food security and U.S. food aid policy with Salon and NPR’s The Salt and Morning Edition.

Daughters are (still) the caretakers
The New York Times - September 18, 2013
Karl Pillemer, the Hazel E. Reed Professor in the Department of Human Development, discusses his findings that nearby daughters largely shoulder the caregiving responsibilities for their elderly mothers.

Postal services emergency rate hike
CCTV - September 19, 2013
Rick Geddes, associate professor of policy analysis and management, talks about the consequences of cost-cutting measures for the U.S. Postal Service.

**The wrong way to reduce poverty**

*USA Today - September 20, 2013*

Raising the minimum wage to alleviate poverty has been tried before, but studies by professor Richard Burkhauser and colleagues found no associated reduction in poverty rates following wage hikes by states.

**Food vs. Cash**

*The Daily Show with Jon Stewart - September 24, 2013*

Dyson School economist and world food resources expert Chris Barrett was featured in a correspondent’s report on The Daily Show, outlining the need to transform how the U.S. offers food aid for a piece that took playful aim at lobbyists for the global shipping industry.

**Freebies for the rich**

*The New York Times Magazine - September 24, 2013*

A story on state-based merit scholarships for college refers to a study led by Maria Fitzpatrick, assistant professor of policy analysis and management, that concludes that they largely fail at preventing brain drain of graduates to other states.

**Rising disability claims may explain America’s shrinking labor force**

*The Economist - September 28, 2013*

About 2.6 million more Americans applied for disability insurance between 2007 and 2012, which may partly explain the nation's dwindling labor participation rate, according to research by Richard Burkhauser, the Sarah Gibson Blanding Professor in the Department of Policy Analysis and Management, and others. More: The Washington Post, Business Insider.

**Children of working mums do better at school**

*The Sydney Morning Herald - September 28, 2013*

In a working paper, policy analysis and management professors Rachel Dunifon and Sean Nicholson report that "maternal employment has a positive effect on children's academic performance" among a group of Danish children tracked from birth to age 15.

**October**

**Across the pond, an example of how to do postal reform right**

*St. Louis Post-Dispatch - October 1, 2013*

Professor Rick Geddes says the U.S. Postal Service is "not even terribly close to being ready to be privatized," a measure which he thinks would boost its sagging finances. More: Yahoo! Finance.

**Gender bias, not desire for family, driving women from science field**

*United Press International - October 7, 2013*

Sharon Sasser, professor of policy analysis and management, finds that gender barriers are the major culprit keeping women from advancing in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) fields. More: U.S. News & World Report.

**Why the rise of China makes the U.S. even lonelier at the United Nations**

*The Washington Post – October 9, 2013*
Professors Gustavo Flores-Macias and Sarah Kreps team up to write this opinion piece for the Washington Post about why the rise of China makes the U.S. even lonelier at the United Nations.

Wages are not the whole story for real incomes
Financial Times - October 10, 2013
Professor Richard Burkhauser discusses the most recent American recession, noting that "it is the first time that the employment of both men and women has fallen," but government transfers have cushioned the blow for many.

These are the 7 things keeping women out of science careers
Business Insider - October 16, 2013
A story on barriers to women in science fields cites findings by Stephen Ceci, the Helen L. Carr Professor of Developmental Psychology in the Department of Human Development, that girls are narrowing the gap with boys when it comes to achievement in STEM fields.

Richer Americans Like Living With Poorer People Until They Have Kids
Wall Street Journal – October 16, 2013
Richer Americans like living with poorer people until they have kids according to the Wall Street Journal and an analysis of Census data by researchers Kendra Bishoff and Sean Reardon at Stanford University. More: Los Angeles Times, Slate, Huffington Post, Business Insider, Planetizen, Futurity and other news outlets.

Don’t Just Talk. Listen to Your Baby Too
Time – October 17, 2013
A Time magazine piece about communicating with your baby cited pioneering research done by psychology Professor Michael Goldstein.

Oregon launching new program to tax drivers per mile
FOX News - October 21, 2013
Rick Geddes, associate professor of policy analysis and management, discusses potential privacy concerns about the pilot program.

Growing up in poverty could affect brain functioning in adulthood
The Huffington Post - October 24, 2013
Gary Evans, the Elizabeth Lee Vincent Professor of Human Ecology, Pilyoung Kim, M.A. ’07, Ph.D. ’09, and co-authors find that chronic stress of childhood poverty can trigger physical changes in the brain that have lifelong psychological effects. More: Bloomberg Businessweek.

Richest and poorest U.S. cities
USA Today - October 24, 2013
Professor Richard Burkhauser says that, historically, moving has been a way for Americans living in areas lacking employment to escape poverty.

10 reasons grandparents matter more than ever
The Huffington Post - October 29, 2013
Gerontologist Karl Pillemeyer, the Hazel E. Reed Professor in the Department of Human Development, says children benefit greatly when grandparents are part of their lives.

Retirees replaced by lower paid weigh on growth
Declining median incomes expected in coming decades may only worsen the problem, according to research by Richard Burkhauser, the Sarah Gibson Blanding Professor in the Department of Policy Analysis and Management. More: Barron's.

Research by professor Richard Burkhauser projects that coming demographic shifts will reduce the growth of U.S. median income by 0.5 percentage point per year through 2030.

FDA to ban heart-clogging trans fats in processed foods

John Cawley, professor of policy analysis and management and of economics, discusses the possible effects of the proposed ban.

Merchant Marines See New Obstacles In Food Aid Proposal

Chris Barrett talks to NPR's All Things Considered about how a new U.S. food aid proposal would affect merchant marines.

Race for same-day delivery could be boon to cash-strapped USPS

The Postal Service is "looking for every dime of either new revenue or cost savings that they can find," according to professor Rick Geddes. More: Reuters, CBS News, The Fiscal Times.

Worrying never fixes anything': Seniors hand out life advice for the rest of us

A feature story cites The Legacy Project, a research and outreach initiative by Karl Pillemer, the Hazel E. Reed Professor, as a source for practical advice from elders.

Cornell research finds a connection between children raised in poverty and poor working memory. "It's critical for learning," says Gary Evans, the Elizabeth Lee Vincent Professor. More: Salon.

Social Ecologist and Extension disaster response specialist Keith Tidball, along with Dyson School Economist and global food expert Chris Barrett, offered their insights into the recovery of the Philippines after Typhoon Haiyan.

Charles Brainerd, professor and chair of human development, believes true and false memories reside in distinct memory systems: "verbatim" and "gist."

Do Long Hours Really Pay?

Inc. – November 21, 2013
Professor Kim Weeden’s research on the relationship between long hours and increased pay was explored by Inc. magazine.

Something about STEM drives women out
The Huffington Post - November 24, 2013
Family matters are not to blame for pushing women out of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics fields, finds a new study by Sharon Sassler, professor of policy analysis and management. Rather, aspects of STEM culture are driving women away.

The mythology of the minimum wage
The Huffington Post - November 25, 2013
A column arguing against raising the minimum wage cites findings by Richard Burkhauser, the Sarah Gibson Blanding Professor, that doing so eliminates job opportunities for the least skilled workers.

The changing American family
For a special report on changing American households, professor Kelly Musick discusses her findings on cohabitation patterns and a growing tendency among young couples to delay marriage.

Toll road investors shift revenue risk to states
Bloomberg Businessweek - November 27, 2013
Rick Geddes, associate professor of policy analysis and management and director of the Cornell Program in Infrastructure Policy, says that new payment plans that don't rely on roadway usage appeal to risk-averse private investors.

What family dinners can and can't do for teens
Kelly Musick, associate professor of policy analysis and management, discusses her research that casts doubt on some of the positive effects attributed to eating together as a family.

December
Growth and Jobs Emerge As the Defining Challenge Facing President Obama
New York Sun – December 5, 2013
Professor Richard Burkhauser's discusses thoughts on economic opportunity.

Fast food workers vie for higher wages
NPR Innovation Trail – December 5, 2013
Policy and Management Professor Richard Burkhauser discusses the danger of raising the minimum wage.

Private toll-road investors get low-risk deals from states
Bloomberg Businessweek - December 12, 2013
Professor Rick Geddes says: "We are seeing more of [these deals] because investors are a bit skittish about the U.S. market. If it's a new road, there is a lot of risk on how many vans, trucks, motorcycles, and other vehicles will end up paying the tolls." More: Politico.

Unions concerned about postal workers' safety
The Baltimore Sun - December 13, 2013
Rick Geddes, associate professor of policy analysis and management, discusses how the holiday rush pushed mail carriers to work later into the evening.

Economic reality and the minimum wage
Chicago Tribune - December 15, 2013
With fast food workers rallying to raise the federal minimum wage, an editorial against such a move cites findings by Richard Burkhauser, the Sarah Gibson Blanding Professor, that state minimum wage increases had no effect on poverty rates. More: WRVO Public Media.

Smokers face higher insurance costs, except in NY
Democrat and Chronicle – December 15, 2013
Policy Analysis and Management Professor Donald Kenkel discusses the impact Obamacare policies might (or might not) have on public smoking habits.

A selfie that checks your cholesterol level
Bloomberg Businessweek - December 17, 2013
Saurabh Mehta, assistant professor of nutritional sciences, Julia Finkelstein, research scientist in nutritional sciences, and Joe Francis, director of the Program on Applied Demographics, are helping Cornell engineers to develop a smartphone-based diagnostic tool to test and track micronutrient levels in world populations. More: TIME, Popular Science, Yahoo! News.

Survey finds dads defy stereotypes about black fatherhood
Los Angeles Times - December 20, 2013
Laura Tach, assistant professor of policy analysis and management, comments on her research on black fathers' involvement with their kids.

6 secrets from the happiest people on earth
Business Insider - December 24, 2013
A piece on better living shares findings from Karl Pillemer, the Hazel E. Reed Professor, who interviewed nearly 1,500 seniors for their advice on careers, marriage, finances, and other topics.

New York soon to trail Florida in population
Jan Vink, research support specialist in the Program on Applied Demographics, says that Florida continues to steadily outgain New York in population growth.

Now your kid can get a report card on how she's doing in lunch
The Atlantic - December 27, 2013
Graduate students Laura Smith (nutritional sciences) and Richard Patterson (policy analysis and management) co-authored a paper finding that nutrition report cards helped students make healthier choices at school meals.