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January

Mixed-race individuals see change in ‘the public conversation’

*Boston Herald* - Jan 19, 2009

Deputy Provost David Harris, professor of sociology, speaks about mixed-race identification.

Increase in self-embedding

*Fort Lauderdale Sun-Sentinel* - Jan 7, 2009

Janis Whitlock, human development faculty member, comments on a new form of self-injury.

February

Autism linked with rainfall in study

*Edmonton Journal* - Feb 20, 2009

A study co-authored by Michael Waldman, professor of economics, and Sean Nicholson, a faculty member in policy analysis and management, is discussed.

Unpaid furloughs a trend for U.S. white-collar jobs

*Reuters Wire Service* - Feb 25, 2009

Francine Blau, Frances Perkins Professor of Industrial and Labor Relations and Labor Economics, comments on the recent increase in companies using involuntary furloughs for white collar jobs.

March

Merck, Schering To Merge In $41 Billion Deal


(Click on the "Listen Now" link) Sean Nicholson, policy analysis and management faculty member, comments on the drug company Merck & Co.'s purchase of Schering-Plough Corp. for $41.1 billion in stock and cash.

Unmarried women boost record '07 U.S. birth rate

*USA Today* - Mar 18, 2009

Kelly Musick, policy analysis and management faculty member, comments on a government report that found that, based on 2007 birth certificates, birth rates are up for women in their 20s, 30s and early 40s as well as for teens 15-19.

Research: Loneliness Tied to Poor Health in Old Age

*Fox News* - Mar 26, 2009

Sociology faculty member Erin York Cornwell found that older, lonely adults tend to be in poor physical and mental health.

April

Research Links Poor Children's Stress and Brain Impairment

*Washington Post* - Apr 6, 2009

Gary Evans, professor of human development, heads research that has discovered a link between the chronic stress from growing up in poverty and impairment of brain development.
I am just a poor boy though my story's seldom told
_Economist_ - Apr 9, 2009
Gary Evans, professor of design and environmental analysis, and colleague Michelle Schamberg discovered a link between chronic stress from growing up in poverty and impairment of brain development.

Higher costs keep US-flagged ships' numbers down
_Minneapolis-St. Paul Star Tribune_ - Apr 10, 2009
Applied Economics and Management Professor Christopher Barrett comments on reasons that there are so few American-flagged cargo ships, such as the recently pirated Maersk Alabama.

G8 call for tighter investment controls in Africa
_Modern Ghana_ - Apr 21, 2009
Chris Barrett, professor of applied economics and management, talks about steps needed to be taken to alleviate the global food crisis.

Bus Drivers
_A Healthy Me_ - Apr 23, 2009
Gary Evans, professor of design and environmental analysis, comments on the effects of job-related stress for bus drivers.

A Family Affair: Cultures Influence Relationships
_NPR_ - Apr 27, 2009
Daniel Lichter, policy analysis and management professor, discusses the role culture plays for American-born children of immigrants when choosing a mate.

May
Unpaid furloughs a trend for white-collar jobs
_Regina Leader-Post (Canada)_ - May 5, 2009
Francine Blau, a professor of industrial relations, comments on the practice of unpaid furloughs-involuntary time-off without pay-in lieu of layoffs for white-collar workers.

The Disability Mess - Welfare Reform as a Model
Richard Burkhauser, professor of policy analysis and management, contributes to a column that examines proposed changes to disability programs.

USA in middle of world trend of births to unmarried women
_USA Today_ - May 13, 2009
Kelly Musick, Policy Analysis and Management faculty member, comments on the increased rate of births to unmarried women.

Abandoned in the Field
_Inside Higher Ed_ - May 19, 2009
David Brown, development sociology professor, comments on the declining support for rural sociology departments at academic institutions.
Recession has more Broward municipalities outsourcing government services  
*Fort Lauderdale Sun-Sentinel* - May 15, 2009

Mildred Warner, city and regional planning professor, discusses the proposed privatization of government services in Southern Florida.

Weighing Ethnicity When Picking A Spouse  

Daniel Lichter, professor of Policy Analysis and Management, discusses the role their heritage plays for American-born children of immigrants when they choose a mate.

June

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With Dysfunctional Families, There's No Point Living Together  
*Khabar Express (India)* - Jun 7, 2009

Kelly Musick, policy analysis and management faculty member, heads research that describes the adverse way teens are affected by parents who frequently argue.

Answers About Latino Politics, Part 2  

Michael Jones-Correa, professor of government, answers reader's questions about New York Latino politics.

"Daddy put Mommy in trunk"  
*Toronto Sun* - Jun 16, 2009

Charles Brainerd, human development professor, comments on a murder case that may involve traumatic memories from 17 years ago of a possible witness who was 3 years old at the time of the crime.

Minority kids grow to majority in some counties  
*USA Today* - Jun 16, 2009

Daniel Lichter, policy analysis and management professor, coauthors demographic research which has shown that minorities outnumber whites in the under-20 population of 1 out of 6 U.S. counties.

New poll provides snapshot of New Yorkers' views  
*Cornell Chronicle* - June 25, 2009

A Cornell/New York Times/NY1 poll asked New Yorkers their views on obesity, key politicians, the economy and gay marriage in early June. John Cawley, associate professor of policy analysis and management, authored the obesity questions.

Many teens think they'll die young  
*MSNBC* - June 29, 2009

Valerie Reyna, professor of human development, comments on a recent study which found that because nearly 15 percent of teens think they'll die young, they're led to drug use, suicide attempts and other unsafe behavior.

July

Vital Signs: Behavior: Money Not a Motivator in Losing Weight  
*New York Times* - July 6, 2009
John Cawley, policy analysis and management faculty member, coauthors a study about the effect of money on motivation to lose weight.

Couples study debunks 'trial marriage' notion of cohabiting
USA Today - July 8, 2009
Daniel Lichter, Director of the Bronfenbrenner Life Course Center, comments on a study about unmarried couples who live together.

G8's historic shift needs applause
IRIN - Jul 13, 2009
Christopher Barrett, applied economics and management professor, praises the $20 billion investment by President Barack Obama and the other G8 leaders in developing-country agriculture.

Critics, Proponents Spar Over Minimum Wage
NPR - All Things Considered - Jul 23, 2009
Richard Burkhauser, policy analysis and management professor, comments on the ramifications of this week's rise of the federal minimum wage to $7.25 an hour.

Dear Prudence - A Bloody Mess
Slate - Jul 23, 2009
Janis Whitlock, Human Development faculty member, offers advice to a reader about self-injury scars.

The Pelosi Jobs Tax
Wall Street Journal - Jul 30, 2009
A 2007 research study by Policy Analysis and Management faculty members Richard Burkhauser and Kosali Simon is cited in the lead editorial about taxation proposed to fund new health care initiatives before Congress.

August
Now Hiring: Everywhere You Didn't Want to Work
ABC News - Aug 7, 2009
Matthew Freedman, ILR faculty member, comments on the economic reasons why people are now taking less pleasant jobs than they used to.

It's Time to Stay the Courier
Rick Geddes, policy analysis and management faculty member, comments on the changing need for the United States Postal Service.

Bad boyfriends often abuse children of partners
Louisville Courier-Journal - Aug 10, 2009
Elliott Smith, associate director of the National Data Archive on Child Abuse and Neglect, comments on research about child abuse by the significant others of single mothers.

September
October

New Research on Spanking Might Need a Time Out  
ILR Professor Martin Wells is quoted in an article about spanking children.

The Fat and Short of It  
Article mentions a 2004 study by John Cawley, professor in the College of Human Ecology.

Obama global hunger plan revives food aid fight  
*Forbes.com* - Oct 21, 2009
Article on global food aid quotes Christopher Barrett, professor of Applied Economics and Management.

NIH grants fund studies on women in science fields  
*Cornell Chronicle* - October 22, 2009
Two Cornell research teams have each received National Institutes of Health grants to identify factors influencing the careers of women in biomedical and behavioral sciences and engineering. Among them is Wendy M. Williams, professor of human development, and Stephen J. Ceci, the H.L. Carr Professor of Developmental Psychology, who received $1.4 million over four years to establish the Cornell Institute for Women in Science.

The Nursing Home as Battle Zone  
*New York Times* - October 27, 2009
Karl Pillemer, professor of Human Development, is quoted in an article about nursing homes.

Book: Women opt out of math fields for flexibility  
*Cornell Chronicle* - October 27, 2009

November

Study: Half of Kids to Get Food Stamps  
*Fox 7 TV* - Nov 2, 2009
Sociologist Thomas Hirschl studied data from a nationally representative survey regarding food stamp usage.

La mitad de los niños de EEUU recibirá cupones alimentarios  
*Univision*, a Spanish language television network - Nov 2, 2009
Thomas Hirschl, professor of Development Sociology, is mentioned in a Spanish language television network.

Half of US Kids Will Get Food Stamps, Study Says  
Sociologist Thomas Hirschl studied data from a nationally representative survey regarding food stamp usage.

Les petits Américains, les plus pauvres du monde développé
Le Figaro - Nov 3, 2009
Thomas Hirschl, a professor in Development Sociology, was mentioned in a French newspaper.

More bad health care news Half of American kids will use food stamps
AOL Daily Finance - Nov 8, 2009
A research paper co-authored by Thomas Hirschl, professor of Development Sociology, finds that almost half of all American children will be in households that use food stamps at some time in their lives.

Many lack the skills to make good health decisions
Cornell Chronicle - November 9, 2009
Some 93 million Americans do not have the numerical skills necessary to make well-informed decisions about their medical care, according to a study co-authored by Valerie Reyna, professor of human development.

America’s Fastest-Recovering Cities
Forbes.com - Nov 19, 2009
Rolf Pendall, associate professor of city and regional planning, claims promising news for upstate New York may be temporary.

Panelists discuss the state of U.S. health care
Cornell Chronicle - November 19, 2009

On the family and its changes
El Pais, Uruguay - November 21, 2009
Daniel Lichter, the Ferris Family Professor of Policy Analysis and Management and director of the Bronfenbrenner Life Course Center, delivered a lecture on family policy in Montevideo, Uruguay. The newspaper article on his talk is translated from Spanish to English by an online translator service.

Mirror, mirror on the wall: Youth narcissism and us
Psychology Today blog – November 22, 2009
Janis Whitlock, research scientist in the Family Life Development Center, authors a blog post about the causes of narcissism among today’s youth.

Youth and Consequences
Psychology Today - Nov 23, 2009
Janis Whitlock, lecturer and research scientist at Cornell's Family Life Development Center, writes about youth narcissism.

These cities are poised to recover the fastest
MSNBC - Nov 27, 2009
Rolf Pendall, associate professor of City and Regional Planning, is mentioned in an article about economic recovery in urban areas.

Food stamps estimate raises debate over 'poverty'
AOL - Nov 28, 2009
A study by Tom Hirschl, professor of Development Sociology, is cited in an article about hunger and poverty.

December
A Community Conversation: Health Care Reform
WSKG Radio - December 1, 2009
Kosali Simon, associate professor of policy analysis and management, participated in a community discussion on health care reform.

Think looks don't matter? Think again.
Yahoo - December 9, 2009
A study by John Cawley, associate professor of policy analysis and management, is cited in an article linking weight and career progression.

Colleges Turn the Economic Crisis Into a Lesson Plan
New York Times - Dec 12, 2009
Ronald Mize, assistant professor of Development Sociology, is quoted in an article about how higher education is responding to the economic crisis.

Will a carrot or a stick prompt purchase of more carrots?
Cornell Chronicle - December 17, 2009
Would a so-called Twinkie tax help curb obesity rates? Should shoppers who buy healthy goods earn rebates? A new study will seek to unravel the likely implications of legislative attempts to promote healthy eating. Human Ecology faculty members John Cawley, Jeff Sobal and Elaine Wethington are co-investigators.

Obama naming Hispanics to top posts at record pace
Yahoo News - Dec 21, 2009
An article about President Obama appointing Hispanics to key government posts quotes Michael Jones-Correa, professor of Government.