

cupc highlights

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COVID-19 and wildfire media coverage

Describing the month of August as *BLAZING* with wildfire media coverage could be an understatement for **Colleen Reid!** Her expertise on population health, particularly the health impacts from the exposure to wildfire smoke and society's response to climate change, all intertwining with COVID-19, has been sought out by many news outlets. Take a look:



- “What Happens When Wildfire Smoke Meets Coronavirus? Here’s What Scientists Know,” by Sam Brasch, August 24, 2020. <https://www.cpr.org/2020/08/24/colorado-coronavirus-wildfires-smoke-risks/>
- “COVID and Climate Change have put California Firefighters and Residents at Risk,” by Izzie Ramirez, August 21, 2020. https://www.vice.com/en_us/article/m7j4kb/covid-and-climate-change-have-put-california-firefighters-and-residents-at-risk
- “Smoke, heat, and COVID-19: Californians are caught between public health crises,” by Alexandria Herr. August 27, 2020. <https://grist.org/climate/smoke-heat-and-covid-19-californians-are-caught-between-public-health-crises/>
- “No breathing easy in Aspen, valley due to wildfires,” by Scott Condon. August 18, 2020. <https://www.aspentimes.com/news/local/no-breathing-easy-in-aspen-valley-due-to-wildfires/>
- “How Air Pollution Affects Runners,” by Sarah Wassner Flynn and Malissa Rodenburg. August 25, 2020 <https://www.podiumrunner.com/culture/air-pollution-health/>
- “How to protect yourself from the effects of wildfire smoke,” by Micah Smith. August 26, 2020. <https://www.thedenverchannel.com/news/local-news/how-to-protect-yourself-from-the-effects-of-wildfire-smoke>
- “Colorado Wildfire Updates for Aug. 25: Maps, Evacuations, Closures, Fire Growth and More,” August 25, 2020. <https://www.cpr.org/2020/08/25/colorado-wildfire-updates-2020-evacuations-closures-size-8/>

new funding

With their *very first attempt* at an external grant, **Jerónimo Carballo** (PI) and **Rick Mansfield** (Co-PI) received NSF funding of \$367K for their 3-yr. project “How Do Changes in U.S. Trade Engagement Affect the Demographic and Spatial Distribution of Employment and Earnings?: Exploring New Pathways Using an Equilibrium Matching Approach.”

~ Congratulations to you both!

recently published papers

Mobile phones are really transforming agriculture in Africa these days, illustrated by **Terry McCabe's** co-authored paper "[Mobile phone use is associated with higher smallholder agricultural productivity in Tanzania, East Africa,](#)" recently published in *PLOS One*.



Selected as a nominee for a [Kanter award](#) is **Katie Genadek's** coauthored paper "[For Better or Worse? Couples' Time Together in Encore Adulthood,](#)" published in *The Journals of Gerontology: Series B*. This award is given to authors who publish the best work-family research article, selected by a committee of esteemed scholars.

~ nice honor Katie, best of luck!

The *Journal of Asian Economics* has recently published **Robert McNown's** coauthored article "[Macroeconomic implications of population aging: Evidence from Japan,](#)" which was presented at the IBS Speaker Series earlier this year.

Kate Coleman-Minahan recently published an [opinion piece in Colorado Newslite](#), using research to explain how Proposition 115, a Colorado ballot initiative to ban abortion at 22 weeks of pregnancy, harms individuals, families, and communities, particularly during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Scott Ortman has a new co-authored paper in the inaugural issue of *Journal of Urban Archaeology* entitled "[Why Archaeology is Necessary for a Theory of Urbanization.](#)"

The **HIVafter40 project** recently published two papers:

["Clusters of HIV Risk and Protective Sexual Behaviors in Agincourt, Rural South Africa: Findings from the Ha Nakekela Population-Based Study of Ages 15 and Older,"](#) in *Archives of Sexual Behavior*.

["Brief Report: HIV Incidence Among Older Adults in a Rural South African Setting: 2010-2015,"](#) in *Journal of acquired immune deficiency syndromes*.

Jane Menken also included a [brief background](#) (for CUPC Highlights) of our IBS relationship with the Univ of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg.

upcoming CUPC "virtual" speaker series talk

Kicking off the Fall CUPC Speaker Series talks is [Kyle Thomas](#), UCB Sociology, on **Mon, Sept 14, 12 - 1pm** with his research "Structural Predictors of Individual Perceptions and Preferences: Testing a Multilevel Rational Choice Theory of Offending."

And finally, CUPC affiliates would like to give [Tania Barham](#) a **HUGE THANK YOU** for serving on the CUPC Executive Committee these past 2 years. Your valuable input, wisdom, and enlightenment will be missed Tania!



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