

Abbreviated Curriculum Vitae

DEBORAH LEVISON

**CURRENT
POSITION**

Associate Professor of Population Analysis and Policy
Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota
August 2000– .

**PAST
POSITIONS**

Senior Economist, IFP/SES, International Labour Organization,
Geneva, Switzerland, August 2001–July 2002.

Assistant Professor, Humphrey Institute, University of Minnesota,
August 1992–July 2000.

Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Economic Growth Center, Yale
University, September 1990–July 1992.

**CONTACT
INFORMATION**

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CITIZENSHIP

U.S.A.

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Economics, University of Michigan, 1991.

M.A., Economics, University of Michigan, 1987.

B.A. (*Magna Cum Laude*), Economics, Smith College, 1982.

Université de Genève, Institut des Hautes Etudes Internationales,
and Institut d'Etudes du Développement, Geneva, Switzerland,
1980-1981.

**GRANTS
AND
FELLOWSHIPS**

Cargill Higher Education Partnership Fund, University of Minnesota,
\$6000 grant to support course development, 2005.

NSF Grant #SES-0433654, “International Integrated Microdata
Series,” \$4,046,047. Co-investigator, 9/2005-3/2008. This project
will create an integrated global database of over 150 censuses from
44 countries.

NIH/NICHD Grant 1 R01 HD047283-01, “Integrated Samples of
European Censuses,” \$3,030,122. Co-investigator, 9/2004-7/2009.

NIH/NICHD Grant, “Integrated Samples of Latin American Censuses,
1960-2003,” \$2,995,360. Co-investigator, 7/2003-5/2008.

NSF Grant #SES-9907416 for Enhancing Infrastructure for the Social and Behavioral Sciences, “International Microdata Access Project,” \$3,057,939. Co-investigator, 10/1999-9/2005.

Mellon Foundation Research Contract, “Gender, Work and Family in the Middle East,” \$359,994. Co-investigator, 2001-2004.

NSF Grant for Enhancing Infrastructure for the Social and Behavioral Sciences, “International Microdata Access Project,” \$3 million. Co-investigator, 1999-2004.

NIH/NICHHD Public Health Service Grant, “Household Responses to Economic Shocks in Brazil.” Co-investigator, 1997–1999.

Graduate School Grant-in-Aid of Research, Univ. of Minn., 1995–1996.

Graduate School Faculty Summer Research Fellowship, University of Minnesota, 1994.

NIH Individual National Research Service Award (postdoctoral research fellowship), National Institute on Aging, 1991–1992.

NSF Research Planning Grant, Co-investigator, 1990–1991.

Population Council Postdoctoral Fellowship, 1990–1991.

NICHHD Graduate Fellowship in Economic Demography, 1983 to 1987.

Smith Alumnae Association Fellowship, 1982–1983.

HONORS

Distinguished Teaching Professor, Univ. of Minnesota, Spring 2006-.

Core Teacher of the Year, Humphrey Institute, 2004-2005.

Core Teacher of the Year, Humphrey Institute, 2003-2004.

Core Teacher of the Year, Humphrey Institute, 2002-2003.

Teacher of the Year, Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, 1998-1999.

Sidney S. Cohen Prize in Economics, Smith College, 1982.

Phi Beta Kappa, 1982.

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

“Effects of Economic Shocks on Children’s Employment and Schooling in Brazil,” with Suzanne Duryea and David Lam, forthcoming, *Journal of Development Economics*.

“Marking Time: An Analysis of Youth Hours of Work and Study in Urban Mexico,” with Karine Moe and Felicia Knaul, forthcoming, *Review of Development Economics*.

“Tackling the Endogeneity of Fertility in the Study of Women’s Employment: Alternative Estimation Strategies Using Data from Urban Brazil” with Rachel Connelly, Deborah S. DeGraff, and Brian McCall, *Feminist Economics* 12(4): 561-597, October 2006.

- “Challenges in Determining How Child Work Affects Child Health,” with Marta Murray-Close, *Public Health Reports* 120: 1-12, November-December 2005.
- “IPUMS-International: A New Data Series for International Research,” with Steven Ruggles, Miriam King, Robert McCaa, and Matthew Sobek, *Historical Methods* 36(2): 60-65, Spring 2003.
- “Distribution of Income and Job Opportunities: Normative Judgements from Four Continents” with Joseph A. Ritter, Rosamund Stock and Richard Anker, *International Labour Review* 141(4): 385-411, 2002.
- “Women’s Employment Status and Hours Employed in Urban Brazil: Does Husband’s Presence Matter?” with Rachel Connelly and Deborah S. DeGraff, *Labour: Review of Labour Economics and Industrial Relations* 15(1): 133-167, 2001.
- “Youth Education and Work in Mexico,” with Karine Moe and Felicia Knaul, *World Development* 29(1), January 2001.
- “Children as Economic Agents,” *Feminist Economics* 6(1): 125-134, Spring 2000.
- “Household Work as a Deterrent to Schooling: An Analysis of Adolescent Girls in Peru,” with Karine Moe, *Journal of Developing Areas* 32: 339-356, Spring 1998.
- “Structural Adjustment and Family Labor Supply in Latin America,” with David Lam, in George Tapinos, Andrew Mason, and Jorge Bravo, eds., *Demographic Responses to Economic Adjustment in Latin America*, Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1997, pp. 201-228.
- “Caring for Preschool Children in Urban Brazil,” with Rachel Connelly and Deborah S. DeGraff, *Labour: Review of Labour Economics and Industrial Relations* 10(3): 583-608, Autumn 1996.
- “Women’s Employment and Child Care in Brazil,” with Rachel Connelly and Deborah S. DeGraff, *Economic Development and Cultural Change* 44(3), April 1996.
- “Age, Experience, and Schooling: Decomposing Earnings Inequality in the U.S. and Brazil,” with David Lam, *Sociological Inquiry* 62(2), 1992.
- “Declining Inequality in Schooling in Brazil and Its Effects on Inequality in Earnings” with David Lam, *Journal of Development Economics* 37 (1/2), 1991.
- “O Declínio na Desigualdade da Escolaridade no Brasil e seus Efeitos na Desigualdade de Rendimentos” (Declining Inequality in Schooling in Brazil and Its Effects on Inequality in Earnings) with David Lam, *Revista de Econometria* 10(2), November 1990 (Brazil).

“Idade, Experiência, Escolaridade e Diferenciais de Renda: Estados Unidos e Brasil,” (Age, Experience, and Schooling: Decomposing Earnings Inequality in the U.S. and Brazil) with David Lam, *Pesquisa e Planejamento Econômica* 20(2), August 1990 (Rio de Janeiro, Brazil).

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

“A Feminist Economist’s Approach to Children’s Work” in Beatrice Hungerland, Manfred Liebel and Anne Wihstutz, eds., *Working to Be Someone – Theoretical Approaches and International Empirical Reports on Working Children*. Forthcoming from Jessica Kingsley Publishers Ltd.

“Dynamics of Child Labor: Labor Force Entry and Exit in Urban Brazil,” with Suzanne Duryea, Jasper Hoek and David Lam. Forthcoming in Peter Orazem and Guilherme Sedlacek, eds., *Eradicating Child Labor in Latin American in the 90s: The Promise of Demand-Side Interventions*, Washington, D.C.: The Inter-American Development Bank. Available as Social Protection Discussion Paper No. 0513, The World Bank.

“Building Public and Institutional Support for Children’s Rights,” with Jo Boyden, in Heather Montgomery, Rachel Burr and Martin Woodhead, eds. (2003) *Changing Childhoods: Local and Global*, Chichester UK: John Wiley & Sons, pp. 228-231.

“Is Child Labour Really Necessary in India’s Carpet Industry?” with Richard Anker, Shahid Ashraf, and Sandhya Barge, Chapter 5 in R. Anker, S. Barge, S. Rajagopal and M.P. Joseph, eds. (1998) *Economics of Child Labour in Hazardous Industries of India*, New Delhi: Hindustan Publishing.

“Economics of Child Labour in India’s Carpet Industry” with Richard Anker, Sandhya Barge, and Shahid Ashraf, Chapter 2 in R. Anker, S. Barge, S. Rajagopal and M.P. Joseph, eds. (1998) *Economics of Child Labour in Hazardous Industries of India*, New Delhi: Hindustan Publishing.

“Child Labour in Glass-Bangles Industry of Ferozabad - Uttar Pradesh: An Economic Analysis” with Sandhya Barge, Richard Anker, and Shahid Ashraf, Chapter 3 in R. Anker, S. Barge, S. Rajagopal and M.P. Joseph, eds. (1998) *Economics of Child Labour in Hazardous Industries of India*, New Delhi: Hindustan Publishing.

Book review of *Economic Development and Women in the World Community*, edited by Kartik C. Roy, Clement A. Tisdell, and Hans C. Blomqvist, *Feminist Economics* 4(2): 159–162, Summer 1998.

“Health Effects of Population Growth” with Elizabeth Mertz, *Health & Environment Digest* 10(9), February 1997.

DISSERTATION

Children's Labor Force Activity and Schooling in Brazil, Ph.D. dissertation, University of Michigan, 1991. Thesis Committee: David Lam (co-chair), Eva Mueller (co-chair), Charles C. Brown, and Conrad Kottak.

SELECTED REPORTS

"Youth at Risk in the Latin America and Caribbean Region: Focus on Early School-Leaving." Prepared for the World Bank, Washington, D.C., with Mary Arends-Kuenning and Andrea Ferro, October 2006.

"Children as Economic and Social Actors in the Development Process." Prepared for the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Government of Sweden, Stockholm, with Jo Boyden, April 1999.

"The Costs of Expanding Coverage of Child Care Assistance in Minnesota." Report prepared for the Alliance of Early Childhood Professionals, Minneapolis, MN, with Deborah Swenson-Klatt, Xueming Hu, and Margaret Boyer, September 1996.

"Child Work and Schooling in Brazil's Cities: Lessons from Survey Data," 1993. Commissioned for Alec Fyfe, ed., *Debates in Education and Child Labour*, Geneva: International Labour Office. Publication cancelled due to ILO financial crisis.

WORKING PAPERS

"Child Labor and Mothers' Work – Making the Connection for Development Policy," with Deborah S. DeGraff and Mary Robison.

"Children's Work and Mother's Work – What Is the Connection?" with Deborah S. DeGraff.

"How Much Work Is Too Much? Effects of Child Work Hours on Schooling – The Case of Egypt," with Ragui Assaad and Hai-Anh Dang.

"Private and Group Tutoring in Egypt: Where is the Gender Inequality?" with Asmaa Elbadawy, Ragui Assaad, and Dennis Ahlburg.

"Intermittent Child Employment and Its Implications for Child Labor Estimates," with Suzanne Duryea, Jasper Hoek and David Lam, August 2000. Revised October 2003: Population Studies Center Research Report No. 03-539, University of Michigan. Revised June 2006.

"The Effect of Child Work on Schooling: Evidence from Egypt," with Ragui Assaad and Nadia Zibani, December 2000. Revised February 2003: Economic Research Forum Working Paper 0111, Cairo, Egypt. Revised December 2005.

**SELECTED
SCHOLARLY
PRESENTATIONS**

- April 28, 2006. Minneapolis, MN. Minnesota International Economic Development Conference. “Children’s Work and Mothers’ Work – What Is the Connection?”
- February 7, 2006. Minneapolis, MN. Humphrey Institute Workshop on Global Policy. “How Much Work Is Too Much? Effects of Child Work Hours on Schooling – The Case of Egypt”
- January 8, 2006. Boston, MA. American Economic Association. “Children’s Work and Mothers’ Work – What Is the Connection?”
- June 18, 2005. Washington, D.C. International Association for Feminist Economics. “Children’s Work and Mothers’ Work – What Is the Connection?”
- April 1, 2005, Philadelphia, PA. Population Association of America. “Children’s Work and Mothers’ Work – What Is the Connection?”
- February 27, 2003. Washington, D.C. National Academy of Sciences, Committee on Monitoring International Labor Standards’ Workshop on Human Capital Investment and International Labor Standards Compliance. “Human Capital Investments Related to Child Labor: Targeted Enrollment Subsidies.”
- November 30, 2001. Geneva, Switzerland. People’s Security Surveys Technical Seminar. “Social Justice: A Cross-Country PSS Report.”
- November 28, 2001. Geneva, Switzerland. People’s Security Surveys Technical Seminar. “Basic Physical Security: A Cross-Country PSS Report.”
- January 30, 2001. Minneapolis, MN. International Trade Consortium Workshop. “Child Labor in Low Income Countries.”
- November 15, 2000. Paris. International Conference on Rethinking Childhood: Working Children’s Challenge to the Social Sciences. “In and Out: Child and Youth Forays into the Labor Force. Evidence from Panel Data for Urban Brazil.”

**SELECTED
TALKS &
GUEST
LECTURES**

- February 1, 2006. St. Paul, MN. St. Paul Chapter of Hadassah. “The Greatest Economic Challenge Women Face.”
- December 22, 2004. St. Paul, MN. Minnesota Public Radio’s Midmorning (call-in) show. Topic: Child Labor.
- March 8, 2003. Minneapolis, MN. Eighth Annual International Women’s Day Celebration. “When Girls Work, Is It ‘Child Labor’? The Invisibility of Girls’ Unpaid Work in International Child Labor Policy Discussions.”
- March 20, 2001. Minneapolis, MN. Federal Women’s Program of the Food and Drug Administration. “Counting Women: What Women and Girls Do.”

**CONSULTING
AND
ADVISING**

- World Bank, Social Protection Sector, on Youth at Risk in Latin America and the Caribbean / Early school-leaving, October 2006.
- Member, SIMPOC External Advisory Committee (SEAC), International Programme on the Elimination of Child Labor, International Labour Organization, Geneva, April 2003-2006.
- Member, Advisory Committee for the Minnesota Child Care Policy Research Partnership, 2001.
- Member, Advisory group, "Developing a Research Design for Assessing Child Care Quality in Minnesota," Principal Investigator Deb Ceglowski, College of Education and Human Development, University of Minnesota, for Minnesota Department of Child, Families & Learning, St. Paul, MN, 1999-2000.
- Member, Advisory Committee, Minnesota Household Child Care Survey, Wilder Research Center, St. Paul, MN, November 1998–December 2000.
- Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Sweden, on "The Economic and Social Role of Children: Children as Actors and Beneficiaries in the Development Process," with Jo Boyden, 1998.
- Alliance of Early Childhood Professionals, Minneapolis MN, on surveys of child care workers in Minnesota, 1998–.
- UNICEF / World Bank joint project on the status of children in Yemen. Winter 1997.
- Alliance of Early Childhood Professionals, Minneapolis, MN, 1996. Led a team which integrated data from a variety of sources to produce a range of estimates of the cost of subsidizing child care for lower-income families in Minnesota. A report was produced.
- International Labour Office, Active Labour Policies Branch, Employment and Development Department, Geneva, Switzerland, 1992–. Participated in the development of surveys and analysis of results on the demand for child labor in the handknotted carpet and glass bangles industries of Uttar Pradesh, India.
- World Bank, Brazil Department, Latin America and the Caribbean Regional Office, Population and Human Resources Operations Divisions, July–August 1989. Produced the first national analysis of child care in Brazil for a policy report on women's role in development in Brazil.

**SELECTED
PROFESSIONAL
SERVICE &
MEMBERSHIP**

- Referee: *Agricultural Economics*
Childhood
Comparative Education Review
Demography
Development and Change
Economic Development and Cultural Change
Feminist Economics
Journal of Development Economics

Journal of Human Resources
NAS Committee on Population
Population Bulletin
Population Research and Policy Review
Policy Studies Journal
 Spencer Foundation
 National Science Foundation

Professional Memberships: American Economic Association,
 Committee on the Status of Women in the Economics Profession,
 International Association for Feminist Economics, IUSSP,
 Population Association of America.

Organizer and Chair, two sessions on “Child Work and Schooling,”
 Population Assoc. of America, Boston, March 31-April 3, 2004.

Moderator, session on “IPUMS-América Latina, 2004-2008,” Simposio
 latinoamericano de homologación y divulgación de microdatos
 censales, Cartagena, Colombia, January 13-16, 2004.

Discussant, Workshop on Child Labor in Latin America: The Role of
 the Inter-American Bank and the World Bank, Washington DC,
 October 18, 2000.

Discussant, session on “Gender, Livelihoods and Labor Markets,”
 Population Association of America, Minneapolis, May 1-3, 2003.

Discussant, Labor Faculty Workshop, Univ of MN, April 2, 2003.

Member, organizing committee, 4th Upper Midwest Conference on
 Demographics for Policy Makers. Univ of MN, March 25, 2003.

Member, Panel on “Research Gaps to be Addressed to Facilitate the
 Elimination of Child Labour,” Global Meeting of Child Labour
 Researchers, Geneva, December 5-6, 2002.

Member, Dorothy Thomas Award Selection Committee for the
 Population Assoc. of America, January-March 2001, 2002, 2003.

Member, organizing committee, Upper Midwest Conference on
 Demographics for Policy Makers. Univ of MN, October 4, 2001.

Discussant and Chair, session on “Children’s Education and Labor in
 Developing Economies,” Population Association of America, Los
 Angeles CA, March 23-25, 2000.

Organizer, 2 sessions on “Child Education and Labor in Developing
 Economies,” Population Association of America, Los Angeles CA,
 March 23-25, 2000.

LANGUAGES

Language Ability: English—native language; French—good (verbal,
 reading); Portuguese—moderate (reading); Spanish—advanced
 beginner; Chinese (Mandarin)—advanced beginner.