The Certificate Program in Demography is the first demographic training program in the New York metropolitan area. The CUNY Institute for Demographic Research (CIDR), established by the Board of Trustees of the City University of New York in November 2007, serves as a focal point for this program. Any student enrolled in a CUNY Graduate Center doctoral program is eligible to take demography certificate courses en route to the doctoral degree.

General Information about CIDR and the Certificate Program in Demography may be found at www.cuny.edu/cidr

Prospective Demography students are strongly encouraged to contact Professor Neil Bennett, CIDR Director and Program Coordinator, by email at neil.bennett@baruch.cuny.edu or by phone (646) 660-6779 to discuss the program and their interests.

Academic Information

Admission Requirements

The Certificate Program in Demography is open to any student who is newly admitted to a doctoral program at the Graduate Center and to students (in good standing) currently enrolled in doctoral programs at the Graduate Center.

Fellowships

CUNY awards demography fellowships to selected entering students (either domestic or foreign), consisting of a $19,000 stipend annually for up to five years, plus tuition (either in or out of state) and fees, including health insurance fees, with either a research apprenticeship obligation of 15 hours per week or a graduate teaching fellowship obligation for years two through five.

Curriculum

The Demography Certificate Program consists of 15 credits: 9 credits of core courses in Demographic Theory & Methods and 6 credits of elective courses. The program offers several 3-credit courses and many 1-credit courses. The 1-credit courses allow students to tailor electives to their interests.

Application Process

To apply for a demography fellowship, prospective students must complete the Graduate Center financial aid form and an application to the doctoral program of their choice—for example, Sociology, Economics, Public Health, or Political Science—noting therein their desire to be considered for a fellowship in demography as well as their interests and background in the field. Continuing students should apply by submitting the following materials to Demography Certificate Program Coordinator, Professor Neil Bennett: curriculum vitae, transcripts, any relevant publications, a 1–2 page description of research interests and of progress toward the dissertation, if applicable. All materials must be submitted to the Graduate Center by the relevant Program’s deadline for admission applications.

CIDR Faculty Associates & Affiliates

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