SUMMER INSTITUTE IN MIGRATION RESEARCH METHODS - JUNE 9-16, 2019
APPLICATION DEADLINE: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2019

The Russell Sage Foundation (RSF), in collaboration with the Carnegie Corporation of New York, will sponsor the 2nd Summer Institute in Migration Research Methods (SIMRM), to be held at Pennsylvania State University, from June 9 to 16, 2019. The co-organizers and principal faculty are Jennifer Van Hook (Pennsylvania State University) and Irene Bloemraad (University of California-Berkeley).

The 8-day workshop will train up to 30 graduate students, researchers and beginning faculty in best-practices and in methodologies particularly relevant to the study of immigration and migrant populations. The program will focus on: (1) ethics and best practices for mixed methods research design; (2) estimating causal relationships in research on immigrants and immigration policy; and (3) the use of administrative and linked, longitudinal data sources to study change over time and across generations. The institute will also include sessions on professionalization, including how to increase the impact of research by translating findings for policy discussions and the public.

Each day of the institute includes a mixture of instructional lectures and hands-on practical instruction or discussion, including conversations about professionalization, and it reserves time for individualized feedback on participants' work.

Eligibility
Participation is restricted to Ph.D. students, postdoctoral researchers, and untenured faculty within 5 years from their Ph.D. who do empirical research on migration. It is open to researchers in the social sciences, professional schools (e.g., Education, Public Policy), or digital humanities who have sufficient training and background to succeed.

The primary recruitment pool is universities, but the Institute welcomes applications from researchers in government or non-profit organizations. There are no restrictions based on citizenship, country of study, or country of employment.

How to Apply
Applications must be submitted via the RSF online application portal, Fluxx (rsf.fluxx.io).
1. Create an account or log in to your existing account. **Allow up to 48 hours for a new account to be approved; please register by February 4, 2019**
2. Start a new "Summer Institute" application and select "Migration Research Methods."
3. Submit the following documents:
   (i) A motivation letter explaining your current research, how it relates to the Institute's 2019 training priorities and how attending the Summer Institute will advance your research;
   (ii) A research abstract;
   (iii) A 3-5 page CV;
   (iv) A writing sample (10-35 pages) – this can be an extended grant application (e.g., NSF Dissertation Improvement grant), a published paper, an in-progress dissertation or manuscript chapter.

For Ph.D. student and postdoctoral researcher applicants only, please also provide:
   (iv) An (unofficial) grade transcript for doctoral studies

Complete applications must be received by Monday, February 18, 2019. Organizers will notify applicants solely through e-mail by mid-March and will ask selected applicants to confirm their participation shortly thereafter.

Inquiries can be sent to **Jennifer Van Hook at jxv21@psu.edu**.
Technical questions about the application portal (Fluxx) can be sent to **grantsmgt@rsage.org**.