Notes on Institute researchers

Peter Brandon recently joined the Institute as an Assistant Scientist. His activities include continued research on child care, investigating social indicators of child well-being, and examining predictors of entry onto and exit from welfare rolls.

Martin David was awarded a Fulbright grant to teach at the Business University in Vienna, where he was invited to give lectures on inequality by Professor Christoph Badelt, who is pioneering a program of studies on the delivery and design of social welfare programs. David reports that social welfare policy in Austria is being challenged by problems similar to those in the United States—declining employment, rust-belt industries threatened by reduced trade barriers (within the European market), and pressures arising out of the absorption of large numbers of immigrants from central Europe over the past three years.

David testified before the Committee on Government Operations, June 26, 1992, on the value of using administrative records to serve as a backbone for the information functions of the Census. He served on the National Research Council panel that reviewed the Survey of Income and Program Participation (see *Focus:* 15:2) and the NRC Panel on Confidentiality and Data Access, whose report was published November 15, 1993. Commentary on the report was delivered at the August meetings of the American Statistical Association, and an excellent overview of the issues appears in the *Journal of Official Statistics*, Vol. 9, no. 2. Forthcoming is a report on the NRC Workshop on Statistics on the Notfor-Profit Sector, which David organized and chaired in May 1992.

Adam Gamoran is serving as associate chair of the Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison. He is also serving as chair of the Sociology of Education Section of the American Sociological Association. During 1992–93, he was a Fulbright Scholar at the Centre for Educational Sociology, University of Edinburgh.

Linda Gordon was awarded a Vilas Professorship at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She is now serving as chair of the Humanities Division Executive Committee of the university. She spoke at a conference on women and welfare, sponsored by the U.S. Congress Women's Caucus, October 23, 1993. She has served as a consultant to several public television historical documentaries.

Peter Gottschalk was Visiting Scholar at the Russell Sage Foundation in fall 1993. He presented testimony before the Select Committee on Hunger, U.S. House of Representatives, March 1992, and is on the Advisory Committee on the 1990 Census of the Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research.

Robert M. Hauser is a member of the Panel on Poverty Measurement and National Minimum Benefit Levels of the National Research Council, National Academy of Sciences. The report of the panel should be released in mid-1994. He is continuing to analyze trends and differentials in educational transitions among American youth, using a uniform file of children's and household characteristics, 1968-90, which the Institute recently contributed to the Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research. Along with Robert D. Mare, Hauser has added a 20-minute module to the 1994 General Social Survey of the National Opinion Research Center. It will provide, for the first time, an extensive series of measurements of the socioeconomic characteristics of nonresident kin in a large national sample of Americans. These data will be an important resource for studies of the family origins of economic and social inequality. Hauser is also directing the 1992-93 round of surveys of 10,000 members of the Wisconsin high school graduating class of 1957 and of a sample of their brothers and sisters. These men and women were first interviewed as seniors in 1957 and have subsequently been followed up in fall 1957 (after high school graduation), 1964, and 1975; they are now 53 and 54 years old. Data from the Wisconsin Longitudinal Study will be a valuable public resource for studies of aging and the life course, intergenerational transfers and relationships, family functioning, social stratification, physical and mental well-being, and mortality.

Robert Haveman was awarded the Harold Lasswell Distinguished Scholar Award by the American Political Science Association in 1992. He was elected executive vice president of the International Institute of Public Finance in August 1993. He attended conferences of the International Institute in Seoul, Korea, in August 1992, where he was a rapporteur, and in Berlin in August 1993. He presented a series of lectures at the State Council of the Government of China, September 1992, and he delivered a public lecture on poverty problems and policy in the United States at Albion College in March 1993. In the past year he has presented papers at the American Economics Association meeting, the Urban Institute Children's Roundtable, the Levy Institute Conference, the Midwest Economics Association meeting, the Notre Dame Conference on Inequality, and the meeting of the Association of Public Policy Analysis and Management. In July 1993 he became chairman of the Department of Economics, University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Karen Holden was appointed associate professor with tenure in the Department of Consumer Science, University of Wisconsin–Madison. She continues her joint appointment in the La Follette Institute of Public Affairs and as graduate chair of the Master's program in the Department of Consumer Science. In May 1993 she was given the Faculty Professional Excellence Award by the Alumni Association, School of Family Resources and Consumer Sciences.

Charles F. Manski was selected to the Commission on Behavioral and Social Sciences and Education, National Research Council. During 1992–93 he was a fellow at the Center for Advanced Studies in the Behavioral Sciences. In 1993 he was named Hilldale Professor at the University of Wisconsin–Madison.

Robert Mare is serving on the National Research Council Panel on Estimation Procedures of the Committee on National Needs for Biomedical and Behavioral Research Personnel.

Sara McLanahan is Professor of Sociology and Public Affairs at Princeton University. She serves on the board of the Population Association of America and on the council of the American Sociological Association, and she is a member of the Committee on Planned Childbearing of the Institute of Medicine, National Academy of Sciences. She chairs the Population Study section of the National Institutes of Health and is a coeditor of the *Journal of Human Resources*. Marygold Melli was an invited participant in a conference at Wingspread, Racine, Wisconsin, Successful American Families: Challenges and Opportunities, sponsored by the National Forum on the Future of Children and Families, July 1992. She was an invited participant at the Conference on Family Law for the Next Century, sponsored by the Earl Warren Institute at Boalt Hall, the University of California-Berkeley Law School, and the American Bar Association Section of Family Law, December 1992. She helped organize Family Restructuring at the End of the Twentieth Century, a North American conference sponsored by the International Society of Family Law, June 1993. She was also an invited participant at a conference, Violence and the American Family, sponsored by the Commission on Behavioral and Social Sciences and Education of the National Academy of Sciences, May 1993.

Daniel Meyer spent five weeks in Washington in the summer of 1993 working on welfare reform proposals at the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, DHHS. During 1992–93 he made presentations at family impact seminars for legislators in Washington and Madison, Wisconsin.

Robert Moffitt joined the board of overseers of the Panel Study of Income Dynamics in fall 1992. He has been made chair of the Technical Review Committee of the National Longitudinal Survey. He spent three weeks in Paris in fall 1993 as an invited lecturer at the Ecole Normale Supérieure and DELTA/EN5 and is spending the 1993–94 academic year at the University of Michigan.

Owen O'Donnell, from the Centre for Health Economics, University of York, United Kingdom, is visiting IRP and the La Follette Institute of Public Affairs for the academic year 1993–94. During his stay he is teaching health economics and undertaking research into trends in economic inactivity in the United States with **Robert Haveman** and **Barbara Wolfe**.

Craig Olson was appointed Wolfe Professor of Business Research by the School of Business, University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Ann Orloff received a research fellowship from the German Marshall Fund of the United States in 1993; she traveled to Australia and Britain to carry out work on her research project, the gender regimes of the liberal welfare states. In Australia, she gave presentations on gender and social citizenship to about a dozen university audiences, as well as a public lecture, "The Future of U.S. Social Policy," in Melbourne. With Dr. Sheila Shaver, deputy director of the Social Policy Research Centre at the University of New South Wales, and Dr. Julia O'Connor of the McMaster University Sociology Department, she is working on a book—"States, Market, Families: Gender, Liberalism and Social Policy in Australia, Canada, the United Kingdom, and the United States." She continues to carry out a research project on child support and welfare reform in the United States. Along with historians Barbara Hobson of Stockholm University and Sonya Michel of the University of Illinois, she is editing a new journal, *Social Politics: International Studies in Gender, State and Society.*

Joel Rogers is Director of the Center on Wisconsin Strategy, a member of the Administrative Committee of the Institute for Legal Studies, and a member of the Advisory Committee of the Center for International and Comparative Labor Studies. He received research grants from the Joyce Foundation in 1992 and 1993. He has received a research grant from the Wisconsin Department of Industry, Labor, and Human Relations, for 1993–94.

In April 1993 he testified before the Wisconsin State Assembly on Assembly Bill 324-concerning job relocation assistance for workers displaced by Ringier Company. He presented papers in 1993 at the La Follette Institute 2020 Series, Madison; Industrial Upgrading in Wisconsin, Milwaukee; Kenyon College; the Canada/ United States Law Institute Conference, Cleveland; the Center on Education and Work, Madison; the National Bureau of Economic Research conference, Washington, D.C.; the Wisconsin Labor-Management Council, Milwaukee; the Economic Policy Institute, Washington, D.C.; and the Institute for Public Policy Research conference in West Sussex, U.K. He participated in roundtable discussions at the Institute for Policy Studies, Washington, D.C., and at the American Political Science Association annual meeting, Washington, D.C.

Gary Sandefur is Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs at the University of Wisconsin–Madison. He serves on the editorial board of the *American Sociological Review*.

Nora Cate Schaeffer has returned from her year at the Center for Survey Methods Research at the U.S. Bureau of the Census. She is completing work as a member of the Panel to Evaluate Alternative Census Methods of the Committee on National Statistics, National Research Council. She is on the advisory board for the social, behavioral, and economic sciences of the National Science Foundation.

Marsha Mailick Seltzer was appointed a Vilas Associate by the Graduate School of the University of Wisconsin-Madison for 1993 and 1994. She is secretary and a member of the executive committee of the Academy on Mental Retardation and was named associate editor of the International Review of Research on Mental Retardation. Gene F. Summers received the Rural Sociological Society Certificate of Appreciation in August 1993 for his work in organizing and directing the RSS Task Force on Persistent Rural Poverty. He continues to serve as chair of the Task Force, which has organized several poverty policy education activities, including a 13-state workshop, Pathways from Poverty, held in Memphis, September 20–22, 1993, and a congressional colloquium, held in Washington, D.C., November 8, 1993. He also continues to serve as vice-chair of the National Rural Studies Committee.

Paul Voss is serving on the U.S. Commerce Department's Advisory Committee for the 2000 Census. He continues as a member of the Applied Demography Committee of the Population Association of America and as chair of the State and Local Demography Subcommittee of that parent committee. He is director of the Applied Population Laboratory, University of Wisconsin-Madison/Extension.

Michael Wiseman is a member of the National Advisory Board for the New Hope Project, an earnings subsidy experiment in Milwaukee. He is also a member of the Research Advisory Committee for the California Assistance Payments Demonstration Program. He directs the Milwaukee phase of the Wisconsin KidsCount study for the Wisconsin Council on Children and Families.

Barbara Wolfe has been appointed to the Board on International Health of the Institute of Medicine; the advisory board of the Western Consortium for Public Health; and the Technical Advisory Panel, Project Network Evaluation. With **Robert Moffitt**, she won the John Kendrick Prize in 1992 for their paper "A New Index to Value In-Kind Benefits," in the *Review of Income and Wealth*, 37 (December 1991), 387–408. This year she is directing the Women's Faculty Mentoring Program.