



Global Social Issues on Ageing



## **GSIA Master Class, IAGG Asia/Oceania Regional Congress**

### **“Population Ageing and Work in Later Life”**

**October 23-27, 2019, Taipei, Taiwan**

A GSIA Master Class *Population Ageing and Work in Later Life* will be held alongside the 2019 IAGG Asia/Oceania Regional Congress.

#### **Background**

This master class is part of a series, sponsored by the IAGG to build capacity among talented scholars from around the world in gerontology and is offered as part of a series held in conjunction with IAGG congresses. Recent GSIA Master Classes have included *Population Ageing and the Challenges of Integrating Paid Work and Family Care Work* (IAGG European Region 2015, Dublin); *Families, Ageing and Care* (IAGG Africa Region 2016, Nairobi); *Population Ageing and Liveable Environments of Older Persons* (IAGG World Congress 2017, San Francisco); *Portraying Old Age and Ageing to Counteract Ageism* (IAGG European Region 2019, Gothenburg).

The master class *Population Ageing and Work in Later Life* is hosted by the IAGG Global Social Issues on Ageing and the IAGG Asia/Oceania Regional Congress. Course Director is Prof. Fiona Alpass, Massey University, New Zealand. Participants accepted for the master class will benefit from lectures and symposia, led by a core group of senior, established scholars with expertise in workforce engagement for older workers, managing work and family care, and policies related to labour force engagement.

#### **Aims of the Master Class**

1. *Increase awareness* of the theoretical frameworks and available empirical datasets to be considered in research on work in later life in Asia-Oceania.
2. *Foster critical thinking* about how ageing research may inform or support public policy.
3. *To build a sustainable international network of GSIA scholars*, comprising those at all stages of their careers, which collectively can deliver world-class research in response to the global challenges such as extending working lives.

#### **Dates and format of the Master Class**

*Wednesday October 23:* Full day workshop. This workshop will involve presentations from mentors on research being undertaken in their region on work in later life.

*Thursday-Saturday October 24-26:* Participants are expected to attend and contribute to discussion on IAGG symposia sessions addressing work in later life.

*Sunday October 27:* Participants will discuss lessons learned from the conference with mentors and how to apply these in their own research.

Events will be conducted in English. A detailed program will be sent to successful applicants.

## Registration

*IAGG Asia/Oceania Regional Congress registration:* Master Class participants will need to pay and register for the IAGG Congress and arrange their accommodation following the Congress organisers' advice. Please visit the conference website for details: <https://www.iagg2019.org/>

*Master Class registration:* There is no fee to attend the Master Class. However, places are limited (maximum 15) and participants will be selected and invited to attend based on the information provided in their application. Applicants must ensure the completion and submission of all sections of the application by the deadline (see below for details).

## Eligibility

- The workshop is open to doctoral students, postdocs and early career scholars within 5 years of receiving their PhDs and working in a research area closely aligned with the master class theme of *Population Ageing and Work in Later Life*.
- Participants must have backgrounds in social sciences in disciplines such as sociology, psychology, economics, demography, human demography, social welfare.

## How to apply

Application form can be found on the [IAGG Asia/Oceania website](#). All application materials (application form and supporting letter) must be submitted via email to Dr Joanne Allen [[j.allen@massey.ac.nz](mailto:j.allen@massey.ac.nz)] with the heading: '**Application for GSIA master class**'.

The application has **three sections** which must be completed for your application to be considered:

1. Application form 'section 1: About you'
2. Application form 'section 2: About your research' including a description of how your background is relevant to the master class theme and a statement about your research or manuscript idea that you wish to further develop in the Master Class. This will also be used to match successful applicants with mentors.
3. Application 'section 3: Supporting letter' from your PhD supervisor/examiner, senior academic colleague, or Head of Department, confirming your suitability for the master-class. You will need to nominate a suitable person to provide a supporting letter in your application form

## Timeline

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| 14 May 2019: | Master Class Application deadline [About you + About your research + Supporting letter]         |
| 1 June 2019: | Notification of successful applicants + information on registration and pre-workshop assignment |