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**BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH**  
**NEIL G. BENNETT**

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EDUCATION

INSTITUTION AND LOCATION	DEGREE <i>(if applicable)</i>	YEAR(s)	FIELD OF STUDY
Brown University	ScB	1976	Applied Mathematics
Princeton University	MA	1980	Sociology
Princeton University	PhD	1981	Sociology

**A. Positions and Honors.**

**Positions and Employment**

- 1976-1977      Research Consultant, East-West Population Institute, Honolulu, Hawaii.
- 1981-1983      Mellon Assistant Professor in the Department of Sociology and Research Associate of the Population Studies Center, The University of Michigan.
- 1983-1988      Assistant Professor of Sociology, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut.
- 1987-1992      Member, Board of Directors, Planned Parenthood Federation of America; and at various dates, Executive Committee, Affiliate Development and Evaluation (including as Chair), Public Affairs, Insurance, National Nominating Committee, North Atlantic Regional Nominating Committee (including as Chair), and Alumni Association Executive Committee.
- 1988-1995      Associate Professor of Sociology, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut (Director of Graduate Studies, Department of Sociology, Yale University, 1994, 1991, 1987, 1985).
- 1988-1994      Member, Board of Directors, The Alan Guttmacher Institute
- 1988-1991      Member, Science Advisory Panel, The Alan Guttmacher Institute
- 1990-1991      Scholar-in-Residence, Russell Sage Foundation.
- 1995-1999      Director of Demographic Research and Analysis, National Center for Children in Poverty, Columbia University.
- 1999-2001      Senior Advisor, National Center for Children in Poverty, Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University.
- 1999-            Professor of Public Affairs, Baruch School of Public Affairs, City University of New York.
- 2000-            Professor, affiliate of Department of Sociology, Graduate Center, City University of New York.
- 2001-2005      Executive Director (Founding), New York Census Research Data Center (established by the U.S. Census Bureau, with funding from the National Science Foundation, the City Council of New York, and a Consortium of New York metropolitan area institutions, including Baruch College, City University of New York, Columbia University, Cornell University, Federal Reserve Bank of New York, Fordham University, National Bureau of Economic Research, New York University, Pace University, Princeton University, Russell Sage Foundation, Rutgers University, the State University of New York at Albany and at Stony Brook, and Yale University).
- 2002-            Research Associate, National Bureau of Economic Research.
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2002- Member, Editorial Board, Demographic Research  
2006-2007 Acting Director, CUNY Institute for Demographic Research.  
2007- Director (Founding), CUNY Institute for Demographic Research  
2008- Member, Directors of Population Centers, Population Association of America  
2009-2010 Coordinator, Advanced Certificate in Demography, CUNY Graduate Center  
2009- Senior Advisor, American Human Development Report, Social Science Research Council

**Professional Memberships**

National Bureau of Economic Research  
International Union for the Scientific Study of Population  
Population Association of America  
American Sociological Association

**Honors**

1977-1980 National Institutes of Health Predoctoral Fellow, Office of Population Research, Princeton University.  
1981-1983 Mellon Fellow, Department of Sociology and Population Studies Center, The University of Michigan.  
1990-1991 Scholar-in-Residence, Russell Sage Foundation.

**B. Selected peer-reviewed publications or manuscripts in press (in chronological order).**

"Estimating the Completeness of Death Registration in a Closed Population." With Shiro Horiuchi. *Population Index*, Vol. 47, No. 2, Summer 1981, pp. 207-221. Reprinted as "Estimacion del Grado de Cabalidad en Registro de las Muertes en una Poblacion Cerrada," in *Notas de Poblacion*, Vol. 35, August 1984, pp. 11-33.

*Sex Selection of Children*, Editor. Academic Press, 1983.

"A Census-Based Method for Estimating Adult Mortality." With Samuel H. Preston. *Population Studies*, Vol. 37, No. 1, March 1983, pp. 91-104.

"The Centenarian Question and Old-Age Mortality in the Soviet Union, 1959-1970." With Lea Keil Garson. *Demography*, Vol. 20, No. 4, November 1983, pp. 587-606.

"Mortality Estimation from Registered Deaths in Less Developed Countries." With Shiro Horiuchi. *Demography*, Vol. 21, No. 2, May 1984, pp. 217-233. Reprinted in *Readings in Population Demography*, edited by Donald J. Bogue, Eduardo E. Arriaga, and Douglas L. Anderton, published by the United Nations Population Fund, 1992.

"Commitment and the Modern Union: Assessing the Link between Premarital Cohabitation and Subsequent Marital Stability." With Ann Klimas Blanc and David E. Bloom. *American Sociological Review*, Vol. 53, No. 1, February 1988, pp. 127-138.

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"The Divergence of Black and White Marriage Patterns." With David E. Bloom and Patricia H. Craig. *American Journal of Sociology*, Vol. 95, No. 3, November 1989, pp. 692-722.

"Modeling American Marriage Patterns." With David E. Bloom. *Journal of the American Statistical Association*, Vol. 85, No. 412, December 1990, pp. 1009-1017.

"Plotting our Destiny: Interpreting our Demographic Trajectory." With David E. Bloom. *Journal of the American Planning Association*, Vol. 56, No. 2, Spring 1990, pp. 135-139.

"American Marriage Patterns in Transition." With David E. Bloom and Patricia H. Craig. In *The Changing American Family: Sociological and Demographic Perspectives*, edited by Scott South and Stewart Tolnay, Westview, 1992, pp. 89-108.

"The Influence of Nonmarital Childbearing on the Formation of First Marriages." With David E. Bloom and Cynthia E. Miller. *Demography*, Vol. 32, No. 1, February 1995, pp. 47-62.

*Lives on the Line: American Families and the Struggle to Make Ends Meet.* With Martha Shirk and J. Lawrence Aber. Foreword by Bill Bradley. New York: Westview Press. 1999. Paperback released in 2000

"Is Biology Destiny? Birth Weight and Life Chances." With Dalton Conley. *American Sociological Review*, Vol. 65, No. 3, pp. 458-467, June 2000.

"Demographic Methods." In *The Encyclopedia of Sociology. Second Edition (Volume I)*, edited by Edgar F. Borgatta and Rhonda J. V. Montgomery, New York: MacMillan, 2001. Expanded version of my article in First Edition, 1992.

*Life out of the Starting Gate: The Determinants and Consequences of Low Birth Weight.*" With Dalton Conley and Kate W. Strully. University of California Press, 2003.

"An Evaluation of the Impact of Welfare Reform on the Economic Well-Being of Children, 1987-2001." With Hsien-Hen Lu and Younghwan Song. In special issue of *Population Research and Policy Review*, edited by Robert Moffitt and David Ribar, Vol. 23, Nos. 5-6, January 2005, pp. 671-699.

"Twin Differences in Birth Weight: The Effects of Genotype and Prenatal Environment on Neonatal and Post-neonatal Mortality." With Dalton Conley and Kate W. Strully. *Economics and Human Biology*, Vol. 4, No. 2, June 2006, pp. 151-183.

"Methodological Issues Surrounding the Construction of an Index of Child Well-Being." With Hsien-Hen Lu. In *Key Indicators of Child Well-Being: Completing the Picture*, edited by Brett Brown, Mahwah, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum Associates, 2007.

"Aging Societies." In *Encyclopedia of Global Studies, forthcoming.*

**Bennett, Neil G.**

**Selected Op-Ed and Other Articles and Letters**

"Outcomes in Young Adulthood for Very-Low-Birth-Weight-Infants." With Dalton Conley. Letter, 2002. *New England Journal of Medicine* 347(2):141.

"Why Today's Women Aren't Marrying." With David E. Bloom. Op-Ed, *Boston Globe*, 21 December 1986.

"'Gag Rule' Endangers Rights of All American Women." Op-Ed, *The New Haven Register*, 18 August 1991.

"Population Dynamics," Letter, *The New York Times*, 3 May 2008.

"Thinking about the Way We Vote." Letter, *The New York Times*, 8 November 2006.

"Economic Outsiders." Letter, *The New York Times*, 1 October 2000.

"To Count the Poor." Letter, *The New York Times*, 1 December 1999.

"Marriage Loses in 'Divorce Culture'." Letter, *The New York Times*, 16 July 1999.

"Who Should Decide the Sex of a Baby?" Letter, *The New York Times*, 16 September 1998.

"Partisan Counting." Letter, *The New York Times*, 10 June 1998.

"Republicans Resort to Slur on 2000 Census." Letter, *The New York Times*, 17 May 1997.

"How to Calculate the U.S. Divorce Rate, Correctly." Letter, *The New York Times*, 27 May 1990.

"Marriage Rate Study Didn't 'Abandon' Statistic." With David E. Bloom and Patricia H. Craig. Letter, *The New York Times*, 9 December 1989.

"Why Fewer American Women Marry." With David E. Bloom. Op-Ed, *The New York Times*, 13 December 1986.

"Middle Age: No End to an Upward Creep." Letter, *The New York Times*, 11 May 1984.

**C. Recent Research Support.**

"The New York Research Data Center," 2003-2006, Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation, \$300,000. (To help create the first Research Data Center (U.S. Census Bureau) in the New York Metropolitan area, in which one can access confidential Census Bureau data not available to the public.)