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Janet Boguslaw and Thomas Shapiro (Co-PIs)
“Leveraging Mobility: Impact of Assets on Racial Wealth Gap and Family Well-being Over Time”
Funder: Ford Foundation
This project examines the main drivers behind the rising racial wealth gap over the life course of a generation by building upon previous research and through 12-year follow-up interviews with 180 families in Boston, St. Louis, and Los Angeles. The project will use national databases to triangulate the in-depth family interviews to understand the role assets have played in helping families weather individual or structural shocks, to examine differential mobility and wealth accumulation patterns between minorities and whites, and to understand how assets have supported their mobility and family well-being.

Thomas Shapiro and Tatjana Meschede (Co-PIs)
“Senior Economic Security: Evidence-Based Research Informing Policy, Practice, and Public Engagement”
Funder: Atlantic Philanthropies
The Institute on Assets and Social Policy (IASP) will expand its work on long-term economic security and risks for seniors, focusing on vulnerable households such as seniors of color and women. Efforts include greater validation of the current indices and policy impact modeling.

Sandra Venner (PI)
“Intergenerational Approach to Financial Stability and Asset Development Pilot”
Funder: Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care (EEC); subcontract to Brandeis from Massachusetts Association of Community Action (MASSCAP)
Through this pilot project, IASP will support low-income families’ long-term economic self-sufficiency by training Head Start and other early education and care staff statewide to provide financial education to parents. IASP will evaluate pilot project outcomes.

Sandra Venner and Janet Boguslaw (Co-PIs)
Funder: Massachusetts Association of Community Action (MASSCAP) as part of an Office of Community Services grant
As a part of a larger project to document exemplary practices for benefits enrollment coordination by the federal Office of Community Services (OCS), IASP will review the CAAPs initiative to identify and document a shift in the way Community Action Agencies (CAA) do business and deliver services to clients and the community. A product of the review will be a replication guide for the CAA national network.

Mary F. Brolin (PI), Margot Davis, Dominic Hodgkin, Robert Dunigan
“Evaluation of the Massachusetts Access to Recovery Program”
Funder: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration to the Massachusetts Department of Public Health; subcontract to Brandeis from RTI International
The Institute for Behavioral Health will evaluate the Massachusetts Access to Recovery Program to assess the impact of care coordination and electronic vouchers that provide consumer choice to wrap-around services on substance abuse treatment and criminal justice outcomes for men and women re-entering the community after incarceration in the Hampden and Suffolk County Houses of Correction.

Dominic Hodgkin (PI), Elizabeth Merrick, Maureen Stewart, Constance Horgan
“Behavioral Health Financing Studies”
Funder: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration; subcontract to Brandeis from Thomson Reuters
This project has two goals: first, to measure the current supply of mental health and substance abuse specialty providers who treat Medicaid patients; and second, to determine how the supply of providers may need to expand to meet the needs of those with mental health/ substance abuse disorder providers who are newly insured under Medicaid, due to health reform.

Peter Kreiner (PI), Elizabeth Fischer
“Evaluation of Grant to Reduce Alcohol Abuse”
Funder: U.S. Department of Education; subcontract to Brandeis from Wayside Youth and Family Network
This study will evaluate a three-year project to reduce alcohol abuse in Watertown, MA schools.

Peter Kreiner (PI), Robert Dunigan
“Evaluation of Greater Worcester Prisoner Reentry Project”
Funder: Health Foundation of Central Massachusetts; subcontract to Brandeis from Dismas House, Worcester, MA
This study will evaluate the first-year planning process of a five-year project to address health, housing, employment, and other service needs of young adult prisoners reentering the community in Greater Worcester.
**NEW GRANTS (CONT.)**

**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH (CONT.)**

Peter Kreiner (PI), Meelee Kim, Elizabeth Fischer  
“Evaluation of Young Adult Action Project”  
Funder: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration/Center for Substance Abuse Prevention; subcontract to Brandeis from Wayside Youth and Family Network  
This study will evaluate a five-year capacity-building project to prevent/reduce HIV and substance abuse among homeless young adults in Somerville, MA.

Mary Jo Larson (PI), Rachel Sayko Adams  
“Behavioral Health Research Gap Analysis”  
Funder: U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command/Department of Defense; subcontract to Brandeis from Abt Associates  
This project aims to: (1) document and categorize the aims, designs, and methods of Department of Defense (DOD) funded projects from the Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder/Traumatic Brain Injury appropriations and behavioral health funding; (2) compare the profile of specific problems under study with the operational needs of DOD stakeholders (e.g., operational commanders) and mental health care providers (in war zones, TRICARE and Veterans Administration); (3) identify potential research gaps and/or overfunding or duplication relative to the perceived needs; and (4) examine the variability across funded studies in design features and key construct measurement in order to increase use of “best practices” in all funded studies.

**CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES**

Alan Melchior (PI)  
“Evaluation of the Earth Force Youth Engagement Zone Grant”  
Funder: Earth Force, Inc., under a grant from the Corporation for National and Community Service  
This project will evaluate one of six Youth Engagement Zone initiatives funded by the Corporation for National and Community Service to provide a comprehensive approach to youth civic engagement in low-income schools and neighborhoods. The three-year Earth Force initiative brings together three schools and a group of nonprofit organizations serving Northeast Denver to create a community-wide strategy supporting youth civic engagement and leadership development. The evaluation will track students over a three-year period as well as examine the growth of new, collaborative partnerships within the community.

Alan Melchior and Janet Boguslaw (Co-PIs)  
“Partnership for College Completion (PCC) Initiative Evaluation”  
Funder: CFED (Corporation for Enterprise Development), UNCF (United Negro College Fund), and KIPP Charter Schools  
IASP and the Center for Youth and Communities will conduct a process evaluation and recommendations for a long-term evaluation of the Partnership for College Completion Pilot Initiative, an effort to increase college matriculation and boost college graduation rates significantly among low-income and minority youth. This is a jointly sponsored initiative of UNCF, CFED, and KIPP Charter Schools. The pilot initiative combines college awareness and financial literacy education with establishment of college savings accounts and access to scholarships for middle and high school students in KIPP schools in four cities in an effort to increase college enrollment and college completion. The evaluation includes a mix of on-site interviews and observations; focus groups with parents, students, school staff and community partners; and analysis of survey, school record, and savings account data.

Alan Melchior and Thomas Pineros Shields (Co-PIs)  
“Evaluation of the KIDS Consortium ‘Youth and Citizen Scientists’ Initiative”  
Funder: KIDS Consortium, under a grant from the Corporation for National and Community Service  
This project will evaluate a multi-site initiative aimed at integrating service-learning into science and math education through involvement of students in projects promoting “green” practices at local schools. The goal of the initiative is to demonstrate the value of project-based service-learning as an approach to teaching science and math while building civic skills and attitudes among students. The evaluation includes a mix of student and community partner surveys and interviews with school representatives.
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David Steele (PI)
“A Manual for Practitioners – Facilitating Conversations on Peacebuilding and Reconciliation”
Funder: U.S. Institute of Peace; subcontract to International Center for Religion and Diplomacy
This project will develop a manual and background information to be used by discussion groups after viewing documentaries depicting religious/ethnic reconciliation efforts in Nigeria and Kenya.

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Marji Erickson Warfield (PI)
“Transition to Adult Health Care for Youth with Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD)”
Funder: Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB); subcontract to Brandeis from Massachusetts General Hospital
This project seeks to describe and understand the service system and transition services available to youth with ASD. Best practice models will be identified and the feasibility of implementing these best practices across sites affiliated with the Autism Treatment Network will be tested.

Susan Parish (PI)
“National Autism Resource and Information Center”
Funder: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families; subcontract to Brandeis from the Arc of the United States
This project will support the Arc’s efforts in developing its national resource and information center by developing white papers and research briefs related to children and adults with autism in the United States.

Susan Parish (PI)
“State Policy and the Financial Burden of Low-Income Families Raising Children with Special Health Care Needs”
Funder: University of Kentucky Center for Poverty Research, supported through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation
The objective of this project is to determine the financial costs and caregiving burden incurred by low-income parents who are raising children with special health care needs. We are specifically examining the extent to which state Medicaid and CHIP public health insurance programs mitigate these low-income families’ costs of caring.

HEALTH

Robert Mechanic (PI), Darren Zinner
“Survey of Capitation Contracting and Physician Compensation in Organized Delivery Systems”
Funder: Commonwealth Fund
This project will assess the prevalence of capitation and other alternative payment contracts in organized delivery systems that are members of the Council of Accountable Physician Practices (CAPP) through telephone surveys with approximately 20 CAPP groups. Findings will provide an indication of the “readiness” of organized delivery systems for significant payment reforms.

Chris Tompkins (PI), John Chapman, Grant Ritter, Beth Mohr, Jennifer Perloff
“Episode Grouper for Medicare”
Funder: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)
This project is focused on designing an episode grouping system for the Medicare program. In the first year the project team will focus on 6 specific clinical conditions as a prototype for a larger system. In addition to comprehensive empirical testing, the grouper logic is also being vetted through a series of physician panels. The end results will be a series of manuals and programs that address our approach to defining an episode of care along with provider attribution and possible payment strategies.

Chris Tompkins (PI), Jeff Prottas, Jennifer Perloff
“Medicare Advantage Value Survey and Report”
Funder: America’s Health Insurance Plans (AHIP)
This mixed methods study of Medicare Advantage plans was funded by AHIP to better understand what these plans offer beneficiaries above and beyond the services available in fee-for-service Medicare. More specifically, we are investigating informational supports for providers and beneficiaries, population management techniques and payment strategies that promote quality.

Chris Tompkins (PI), Grant Ritter, Tim Martin, Galina Zolotusky, Jennifer Perloff
“Imaging Risk Predication System”
Funder: Massachusetts General Hospital Physicians Organization
The study is designed to develop population level measures of imaging appropriateness. The project will begin by constructing ambulatory episodes of care. Given the clinical picture of the visit available in claims data (both historic for the patient and episode-specific), we will be testing both an a priori and an empirically driven method of assigning appropriateness scores.
**NEW GRANTS (CONT.)**

**INTERNATIONAL HEALTH**

Joan Kaufman (PI)
"Support to China Gates Foundation HIV Prevention Cooperation Program"
Funder: Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation; subcontract to Brandeis from Tsinghua University
This project will provide technical support to efforts to improve government and NGO linkages for effective AIDS prevention in China, curriculum development, and development of case studies.

Donald Shepard (PI), Wu Zeng
"Design of Health Insurance for the Gambia"
Funder: International Health Partners (United Kingdom)
To help the Gambia design a system of community-based health insurance, the PI conducted a site visit to the country, visiting facilities and conferring with stakeholders. Options are being developed with a particular emphasis on strengthening maternal health services.

**PHILANTHROPY**

Elenore Garton (PI), Andrew Hahn
"Pay It Forward"
Funder: Corporation for National and Community Service; subcontract to Brandeis from Campus Compact
This project will evaluate 54 experiential philanthropy courses in universities across Ohio, Michigan and Kentucky.

Andrew Hahn, Elenore Garton (Co-PIs)
"Evaluation of the Jewish Healthcare Foundation and The United Way of Allegheny County's Pathways to Careers"
Funder: Jewish Healthcare Foundation and The United Way
This project will evaluate the Pathways to Careers program in Pennsylvania. The program is focused on motivating 9th graders to succeed in school by connecting academic preparation and meaningful careers.

![Map of The Gambia](image)
**PRESENTATIONS**

**AGING**

Bookman, A. “Aging in Community: Housing Is More than a Place to Live.” Presented at “Housing As We Age,” conference sponsored by Community Development Department and Human Service Programs Department, City of Cambridge, Cambridge, MA, November 2010.


**ANTHROPOLOGY**

Kammerer, N. “Gegants, capgrossos, i altres entremesos: Refleccions sobre els mètodes, el procés, i els resultats de recerca antropològica.” (Talk given in Catalan; translated title: “Giants, bigheads, and other short theatricals: Reflections on the methods, process, and results of anthropological research.”) Gegants are giant puppets and bigheads are papier mâché masks; the theatricals are the public performances by the puppets and bigheads. Presented at “Reunions de Recerca en Patrimoni Cultural” (Research Meeting on Cultural Heritage), sponsored by Institut Català de Recerca en Patrimoni Cultural (Catalan Institute for Research on Cultural Heritage), Girona, Catalunya, Spain, December 2010.

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**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**

Almeida, A., Rivera, L., Reimann, B., Fischer, L., Brolin, M., Girard, C., Pressman, K., and Alford, D. “SBIRT (Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment) Implementation in Two States.” Presented at the Association for Medical Education and Research in Substance Abuse 34th Annual National Conference, Bethesda, MD, November 2010.

Brolin, M. “Integrating Substance Abuse and Primary Care Services: Perspectives from the Field.” Symposium organized for Addiction Health Services Research Conference 2010, sponsored by the University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY, October 2010.

Brolin, M., Davis, M., Larson, M.J., and Capoccia, V. “Strategies to Close the Addiction Treatment Gap and Resulting Impacts on Primary Care.” Presented at the Association for Medical Education and Research in Substance Abuse 34th Annual National Conference, Bethesda, MD, November 2010.


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- Presented at the Association for Medical Education and Research in Substance Abuse 34th Annual National Conference, Bethesda, MD, November 2010.
- Presented at Addiction Health Services Research Conference 2010, sponsored by the University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY, October 2010.


Burack, C. “Assessment: Knowledge is Power.” Presented at University of Connecticut 4th Annual Service Learning Institute, Hartford, CT, November 2010.


COEXISTENCE AND CONFLICT


Kingsley, C. and LaCava, L. "Ending Family Homelessness Forums." Presented at Emergency Assistance Reform in Massachusetts Forums, sponsored by One Family, Inc., and Paul and Phyllis Fireman Charitable Foundation. 10 Forums throughout Massachusetts: Merrimack Valley, Western Massachusetts, Boston, South Coast, Metro Boston, South Shore, North Shore, Worcester, Cape Cod and the Islands, and MetroWest Boston; September and October 2010.


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HEALTH


- Presented at Gerontological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting, New Orleans, LA, November 2010.
- Presented at International Conference on Evidence-Based Policy in Long-Term Care, London School of Economics, London, UK, September 2010.

Mechanic, R. “Should Telehealth Services for Medicare Be Reimbursed Directly—or Incentivized Indirectly through Global, Bundled or Bonus Payments?” Presented at 2010 Connected Health Symposium, sponsored by Partners Healthcare Center for Connected Health, Boston, MA, October 2010.

Altman, S. “Should Telehealth Services for Medicare Be Reimbursed Directly—or Incentivized Indirectly through Global, Bundled or Bonus Payments?” Presented at 2010 Connected Health Symposium, sponsored by Partners Healthcare Center for Connected Health, Boston, MA, October 2010.
HEALTH (CONT.)


INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT


Green, M. “Bringing Theory into Practice: Operational Criteria for Assessing Implementation of the International Right to Development.” Joint presentation with Professor Susan Randolph of the University of Connecticut to the Faculty Colloquium, Program on Human Rights and the Global Economy (PHRGE), Northeastern University School of Law, Boston, MA, October 2010.


INTERNATIONAL HEALTH


Kaufman, J. “Infectious Disease Challenges in China.” Presented at a program for the East Asian Studies Program, Brandeis University, September 2010.


MANAGEMENT

- Presented at Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Care Symposium, Washington, DC, October 2010.
- Presented at Public Sector Conference on Well-Being at Work, Copenhagen, Denmark, September 2010.


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POLITICAL SCIENCE

As the Convener of the Gerontological Society of America’s (GSA) Economics of Aging Interest Group, Christine Bishop organized and chaired the Economics of Aging Interest Group Symposium at the GSA’s Annual Meeting in New Orleans, LA in November 2010. The subject was “Economic Aspects of Transitions for Older Adults,” with speakers on housing transitions, use of private long-term care insurance to buffer transitions due to functional disabilities, and hospitalization transitions in end-of-life care.


Peter Kreiner was interviewed for a public service training video about the Prescription Monitoring Program Center of Excellence at Brandeis and preventing prescription abuse, by the Multijurisdictional Counterdrug Task Force Training (www.mctft.com). The video airs in early 2011.

The Massachusetts Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment (MASBIRT) Project was highlighted in the Boston Globe on November 15, 2010 and on Channel 5 News on Friday, December 3, 2010. Heller staff evaluating MASBIRT include Christopher Tompkins, Mary Brolin, Jennifer Perloff and PhD student Amy Booxbaum. Link to Globe story: http://www.boston.com/news/health/articles/2010/11/15/mas-birt_programs_new_approach_to.asking_patients_about_drinking_and.drug.use.yields.some.positive.results/

Andrew Hahn’s op-ed, Can Companies Save the World?, was published in the October 2010 issue of Youth Today. http://www.youthtoday.org/view_article.cfm?article_id=4341


Susan Parish and Marji Erickson Warfield were both featured in a fall 2010 Brandeis Magazine cover story, “Untangling Autism.”
In October 2010, Joan Kaufman was one of fifteen international experts invited by the Chinese government to participate in the development of China’s next five-year AIDS plan. The experts worked with the Chinese Center for Disease Control and Prevention—National Center for AIDS/STD Prevention and Control, the Ministry of Health, and the State Council AIDS Working Committee to review and critique the first draft of the new five-year national AIDS plan and provide advice. Dr. Kaufman led the sessions on civil society and AIDS and was responsible for summarizing the recommendations from the international experience on best practices.

Dean Lisa Lynch appeared on PBS NewsHour with Jim Lehrer on December 3, 2010, where she commented on the latest unemployment and job creation statistics.

Dean Lisa Lynch chaired an academic briefing of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve Bank in October 2010 on "The nature of current unemployment in the U.S."

Claudia Jacobs was quoted in the October 14, 2010 Jerusalem Post article, “Whose Money is Kosher?”

Susan Curnan’s article, “The View from Val-Kill,” detailing her childhood experience on the estate of Eleanor Roosevelt, was published in the fall 2010 issue of Brandeis Magazine.
Sarita Bhalotra delivered the Women’s and Gender Studies Program 2010 Fall Distinguished Faculty Lecture, “Mending Broken Hearts: Elder Women, Caring and Cardiac Illness.”

Ann Bookman was appointed as a member of the Technical Working Group for the Department of Labor Surveys of Employees and Employers on Use of the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA), September 2010–March 2012.

Ann Bookman was named Co-Chair of the Healthy Aging Communities Sub-Committee of the Statewide Initiative on Healthy Aging, co-sponsored by Tufts Health Plan Foundation and the Massachusetts Health Policy Forum.

Jody Hoffer Gittell was named to the Executive Board of the Labor and Employment Relations Association, 2010–2013.

Marion Howard coordinated the planning, implementation, and now serves as advisor to the project that was awarded the top prize at the 10th Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) in Nagoya, Japan on October 20, 2010. Professor Howard has worked since 1996 with CORALINA, a Colombian government agency located in the Western Caribbean San Andres Archipelago. CORALINA’s work to establish the Seaflower Marine Protected Area (MPA) with local community involvement won Countdown 2010 as the project in the world to best achieve the 2010 biodiversity commitments called for by the Convention on Biological Diversity.

Sajed Kamal was named “Honoree of the Year 2010” by the Fenway Community Development Corporation, Boston, MA, on November 17, 2010. www.fenwaycdc.org

Nina Kammerer was a Visiting Investigator (Investigadora Visitante) at the Catalan Institute for Research on Cultural Heritage (Institut Català de Recerca en Patrimoni Cultural) Girona, Catalunya, Spain, during the fall 2010 semester.


Susan Parish was appointed to the advisory board of the National Autism Resource and Information Center.

During the fall semester, Rajesh Sampath was invited to join a leadership planning committee for a major national academic conference on the funding of faith-based organizations scheduled for 2012. The committee will also be engaged in a series of upcoming leadership summits with the Office of the Funding of Faith-Based Organizations in the White House, which will include the highest levels of congressional and federal judicial leadership.

Rajesh Sampath participated in the December 2010 annual American Philosophical Association meeting held in Boston. He was invited to join the research working group called “Philosophers for Jesuit Education.” This year’s topic dealt with philosophical definitions of orthodoxy vs. heresy in religious education with a view to increasing freedom of expression and social justice without compromising the lines between orthodoxy and heresy for major world religions, particularly in the Western tradition.

Thomas Shapiro received a Fulbright award to conduct research at the University of Cape Town’s Centre for Social Science Research in South Africa during the spring semester. He is working on a project entitled “The Wealth Gap: Reconciliation and Transformation in South Africa and the United States.”

Donald Shepard was named to the Dengue v2V Steering Committee for promoting prompt introduction of dengue vaccines into countries with the highest disease burden, organized by Interlace Global in London on November 30, 2010.
During the fall 2010 semester, Bethany Bryant, MBA '10, was a Sillerman intern at the Greenlight Foundation, and Andrea Shaye, MBA '10, held a Sillerman internship at the Hyams Foundation.

Hannah Thomas was awarded a 2-year dissertation research grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development for her dissertation, “Foreclosure Sales through the Eyes of Real Estate Agents in Boston: An Institutional Ethnography.”

Maria Torres, National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA) pre-doctoral trainee, was awarded a 2-year dissertation grant from the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) for her research project, “Exploring the Relationship Between Work Environment and Quality of Care.”


Sarah Gogel, dual degree MA student in Sustainable International Development/JD at Northeastern University, was nominated as a Local Hero in the Boston edition of Metro, a national daily newspaper, for her work with Global Potential, the nonprofit international exchange program she founded.

The Boston Globe profiled a Waltham household of seven Heller students from seven countries in its October 24, 2010 article, “Total global living.” MS students Linda Arogundade and Farhad Farewar and MA/SID students Maheder Dachew and Dmitry Zaviralov were quoted in the article. MA/SID students Mimin Hartono and Van Ta and MS student Sam Ath Kim are the other members of the household.

Left to right: Heller housemates Mimin Hartono, Sam Ath Kim, Linda Arogundade, Maheder Dachew, Van Ta, Farhad Farewar, and Dmitry Zaviralov.
EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Elenore Garton introduced the film, “A Small Act,” to an audience of Brandeis students at a screening in November 2010. The screening was cosponsored by the Sillerman Center for the Advancement of Philanthropy; the International Center for Ethics, Justice and Public Life; the Schuster Institute for Investigative Journalism; and Facing History and Ourselves.

The Health Industry Forum, under the leadership of Robert Mechanic, held two forums in Washington, DC during the fall semester. The first, “Strategies for Optimizing Secondary Use of Data through Health Information Exchange,” was held on September 20, 2010, and the second, “Accountable Care Organizations: Implications for Consumers,” sponsored by the Aetna Foundation and America’s Health Insurance Plans, was held on October 14, 2010.

The Health Industry Forum also sponsored a Healthcare Leadership Seminar with Eleanor Perfetto, senior director for Reimbursement and Regulatory Affairs at Pfizer Inc., in September 2010 at Heller.


The Master of Public Policy Program sponsored a lecture by Robert Kuttner, author and coeditor of The American Prospect, on November 3, 2010, the day after the midterm elections. His presentation was entitled “After the Election: The New Normal: What’s Necessary—and Possible—in the Second Half of the Obama Administration.”

The Massachusetts Health Policy Forum, under the leadership of Michael Doonan, presented two fall forums. “Massachusetts as a Model for Healthy Aging,” co-sponsored by Tufts Health Plan Foundation, took place in September 2010, and “Accountable Health Care Delivery: Models and Policy Actions for Massachusetts” was held in November 2010.

During the fall 2010 semester, the Master of Science in International Health Policy and Management program presented talks by Peter Berman, Lead Health Economist, World Bank, who spoke on “Global Health Challenges,” Rachel Snow, Associate Professor, University of Michigan, on the topic “Human Resources for Health in Ghana,” and Theo Lippeveld, Vice President, John Snow, Inc., who presented “Health Metrics Network.”

The Sillerman Center sponsored a “living room dialogue” in September 2010 with director Andrew Hahn interviewing Charles Bronfman and Jeff Solomon, philanthropists, about their recent book, The Art of Giving.

Programs sponsored by the programs in Sustainable International Development (SID) during the fall 2010 semester included:

- “Local Knowledge and Governance for Flood Management in the Mekong Delta of Vietnam in the Context of Climate Change,” with Bach Tan Sinh of the Vietnamese Ministry of Science and Technology;
- “Today’s Challenges to the Laws of War,” with Jamie Williamson, International Committee of the Red Cross; and
- “The Sudanese Referendum: Optimism and Skepticism,” with the Honorable Akec Khoc, Sudanese Ambassador to the United States.

Heller started the “Tuesday Talks” series during the fall 2010 semester. This series showcases Heller faculty and researchers, and allows the Heller community to learn about the work of colleagues that they might not otherwise have the opportunity to hear. The series kicked off in October 2010 with Stuart Altman, Sol C. Chaikin Professor of National Health Policy, presenting on “Understanding U.S. Health Care Reform.” In November, Dr. Michael Jellinek, Adjunct Professor at Heller, discussed “Five Key Areas in Hospital Management: Reimbursement, Patient Satisfaction, Relationships with Physicians, Quality, and Process Improvement.” Eric Olson, Senior Lecturer, presented “Conservation Overshoot: The Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act in an Age of Global Change.”

Jasmine Waddell, Visiting Lecturer, served as moderator for the panel discussion “New Orleans Moving Forward: Lessons Learned Five Years After Katrina,” held at Heller in September 2010. Panelists included Professor Karl Seidman, MIT Department of Urban Studies and Planning; Breonne DeDecker, MA/SID student and coordinator, New Orleans Citizen Participation Project; Jess Garz, MIT Department of Urban Studies and Planning and former director, Transforma Projects, New Orleans; Zach Youngerman, facilitator of urban planning and environmental design projects in New Orleans and New York City; and Gayle Epp, consultant for the New Orleans Citywide Master Plan.