Migration and the Social Structural Correlates of Adolescent Fertility in Vietnam, 1989 to 2009
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Adolescent fertility shapes young women’s lives as Vietnam grows more modernized, globalized and prosperous in the late economic reform period. Little is known about how internal migration dynamics, central to Vietnam’s economic growth and modernization, may influence early childbearing. Using data from the 1989, 1999 and 2009 Censuses, harmonized in the International Integrated Public Use Microdata Series, we investigate the individual and community level correlates of adolescent childbearing from the early (1989) to late (2009) market reform period. We also consider whether children born to adolescent mothers are disadvantaged in their school attainment patterns. Findings from mixed effects multi-level logistic regression techniques suggest that women from socioeconomically marginalized groups are more likely to bear children in adolescence and this early childbearing contributes to their children’s early exits from schooling. Having migrated within the past five years and residing in a high net migration province are negatively correlated with adolescent childbearing.

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All are welcome!
Light lunch will be provided.

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A/P Korinek is Associate Professor of Sociology and Associate Director of the Asia Center at the University of Utah and currently a Visiting Senior Research Fellow in the Changing Family in Asia cluster and the Centre for Family and Population Research. Specifically, she conducts research on health, social relationships, life course transitions, and intergenerational support in Southeast Asia and China. Her current projects investigate the long-term effects of war and military service on the health and wellbeing of aging war survivors in Vietnam; the intersection of population mobility, social relational resources and health among older adults in the U.S. and China; and the significance of remittances and transnational relationships for individuals and households in several regions of Southeast Asia (e.g., Thailand and the Philippines). She has published her research in The American Sociological Review, Demography, Social Science & Medicine, American Journal of Public Health, Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences, and other social science and public health journals.