

Research Connections — E-Bulletin

CRRC Library Builds Capacity

The CRRC-Georgia office librarian, Nana Berikashvili attended the [Fall Associate Program](#) at the Mortenson Center in the United States over this fall. The center offers professional development courses to librarians and information science professionals from outside the US. The program gathered 14 associates from nine countries. As Nana says: “while gaining wide experience and broad knowledge of the theory and practice of librarianship in the US, librarians also have a great opportunity to exchange information about practices of different countries, which makes the program really unique”. Participants were offered seminars on fundraisings and development, library services, preservation and conservation, library marketing and services to the disabled; through the practical sessions, librarians learned how to use the latest technologies; they visited various libraries including Chicago Public and Brookens Libraries. We congratulate Nana on this success! This further enhances the capacity of the CRRC library to work to international standards.

Selected Upcoming Events

- Presentation: [IMF Regional Economic Outlook for the Caucasus and Central Asia](#), Yerevan, Armenia, November 10 — Nienke Oomes (ENG, ARM).
- Workshop: [Youth Transitions and Their Family-household Contexts in the South Caucasus](#), Yerevan, Armenia, November 20 – Yerevan State University (ARM).
- Presentation: Research Findings on Media in Georgia, Tbilisi, Georgia, date TBD — Arpine Porsughyan (ENG).

For more events, please go to our country websites listed below.

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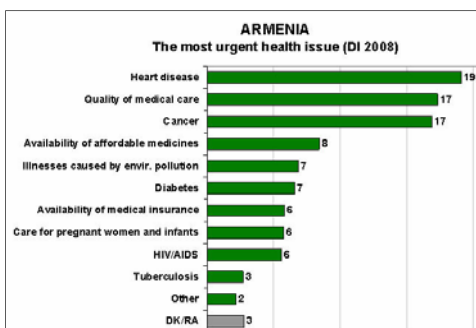


Nana giving a presentation about the CRRC library

Berkeley Hosts Scholars from the Caucasus

Three scholars from the South Caucasus have been chosen as winners of the Carnegie scholarship administered by ISEES and CRRC. Satenik Mkrtychyan, Ruben Mirakyan and Korneli Kakachia have been chosen to participate in a two-weeks workshop at University of California, Berkeley this November. Follow up on our [website](#) for the next round of the [scholarship](#)!

CRRC Publication Research Fellowship 2009 Available



Are you curious about a social science issue? Do you have some ideas or hypotheses that you want to explore further? CRRC Publication Research Fellowship 2009 could be the perfect opportunity for you!

CRRC is looking for social science research that addresses pressing issues in Armenia and Azerbaijan. Applicants with innovative ideas and projects are welcome to apply. Your research should aim to make a real impact by improving people’s lives. Moreover, fellows will be encouraged to use some of CRRC’s extensive data from the Data Initiative and other surveys.

Through our publication fellowship, fellows will produce international quality research and aim to publish their work in a peer-reviewed journal. CRRC expects that fellows’ works contain prescriptive richness. Fellows are also expected to present their findings to relevant interested groups (international organizations, NGOs, government agencies) in their home countries. Note: this fellowship is for those scholars from Armenia and Azerbaijan that are currently residing in their respective countries.

Write us a short e-mail *now* (latest by November 15, 2009) at nana+fellow@crccenters.org to find out more, telling us about your field of interest, and, if you have it, your provisional research topic.

CRRC Blog - We Welcome Your Visit

If you would like to read commentary of social science research in the South Caucasus, visit CRRC’s [blog](#). From the last blog posts you can find out what are the most urgent health issues in the South Caucasus countries. The narrative report of the EU survey (Georgina public opinion - Attitudes toward European Integration) will also be available in the next few days.

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