

## Research on Aging

### Call for Papers

#### Special Issue: Wartime Military Service, Aging, and the Life Course

*Research on Aging* announces a Call for Papers for a special issue on *Wartime Military Service, Aging, and the Life Course*. Most scholarship on aging is based on cohorts born in the first few decades of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, and these cohorts have had significant exposure to war. Much remains to be learned about how wartime experiences have affected the short- and long-ranging development of veterans and their families. In America, for example, these matters will become increasingly important as large populations of World War II and Korean veterans move through advanced old age, and as Vietnam veterans enter old age. Wartime experiences may be important but largely invisible factors underneath contemporary knowledge of aging. Attention to these factors is necessary to assess the degree to which current knowledge can be generalized to future cohorts, and to respond to the needs of veterans and their families.

We are especially interested in manuscripts that:

- are framed by life-course principles
- are based on longitudinal evidence
- consider positive and negative effects
- consider long-ranging effects, direct or indirect
- consider potential processes that link earlier and later experiences
- unravel variability across wars or cohorts; between men and women; by location, type, duration, and timing of service

We particularly welcome manuscripts that take a comparative perspective, or that provide views from single countries other than the United States.

Relevant submissions are welcomed on a broad array of topics, including (but not restricted to) the following:

- Psychological health and personality
- Physical health and mortality
- Marriage, family, and friendships
- Cognitive abilities
- Work and retirement
- Effects on spouses and children
- Methodological challenges (e.g., research design, sampling and selection, measurement)

**Deadline:** The deadline for submissions is **September, 15, 2004**

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