

RESEARCH STUDENTS' SEMINAR SERIES

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“Social factors that influence cognitive decline with ageing”

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ABSTRACT

Average life expectancy is increasing, and in conjunction with the recent decline in birth rates it fashions a continuous augmentation of elderlies' representation in the general population. A reduced amount of productive verve, cognitive decline, and increased probability for various forms of disability or frailty commonly accompany old age. Old age in such terms leads to an undermined quality life and dependency from a caregiver. The financial implications of the “ageing population” are apparent in the increased costs for health services and a worrisome dependency ratio (i.e. the human working capital/retirement pension ratio). The Commission has set urgent objectives to increase independent functionality among the elderly. Cognitive and physical health are key determinants of everyday functionality in older age. This presentation will illustrate the social factors that influence cognitive decline and everyday functionality with ageing.

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