

“Humanity 101 on the Homefront: Aging Parents” Event Report

Date: Tuesday, 7 April 2020

Time: 6pm - 8pm

Venue: Online Zoom Webinar

Facilitator: Jocelyn Ohl and Shana Tobkin, *Project Humanities*

Panelists:

- Kristin Samuelson, AuD, *ASU College of Health Solutions*
- Johannah Uriri-Glover, PhD, *ASU Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation Master in Aging*
- Melissa Elliott, MSW, *Area Agency on Aging, School of Social Work*
- Marisa Menchola, PhD, *ABPP-CN Desert Southwest Chapter of the Alzheimer’s Association*

Full Recording: <https://tinyurl.com/AgingParentsPH>

Total Participants: 54

Zoom:

Unique views (attendees only): 38

Highest viewership at once: 21 attendees

Average attendee time in webinar: 70 minutes

Facebook Live:

Peak number of viewers at once: 8

Unique 3-second video views: 240

Average watch time: 35 minutes

Total Attendees: 46

Feedback Responses: 2

What are three words that describe your experience from this event?

- Informative, awareness, resourceful
- Reflective, timely, emotional

What new awareness did you gain or what is your takeaway from this experience?

- Appreciating the awareness of age as seen as wisdom and knowledge instead of negative stereotypes from social norms.
- I found hearing the panelists mention things that resonated with my own experiences as a caregiver allowed me to think more about shared challenges we all face. In that sense, it was liberating.

How might this event impact your life and work?

- It's informative to all that are seen within their own culture as important and the support others can give to family members.
- It encouraged me to think more about how to incorporate these issues in my own research and writing.

Other comments about this event:

- Embracing the new ideal that old is not a death sentence but a contribution to others. Educating and bringing awareness of aging not only to those working in the field of caregiving, but resourceful to those who will face these questions to their own families and mortality.
- It would be helpful if the organizers provided a Zoom code and password before the event. There seemed to be some logistical challenges (and the Zoombomber was very troubling).

Other Comments:

- I Zoomed in late yesterday and did get to study the survey: the true and false questions. I heard you speak on your in-laws' living conditions. The most interesting was the gays and lesbians not being shown their importance. But most of all, I need to tell you why I got out of the meeting. I feel I couldn't add anything to the conversation. Thank you for always adding me to your world of knowledge. 🙏❤️
- Wow. Thank you again for a great session. Your entire team also used Zoom very very well. I transitioned to teaching online and I wasn't aware you could do some of the things you did on Zoom.
- Thanks for having this. I am just getting into this situation and enjoyed hearing all of this.
- This information is really helpful in terms of acknowledging the challenges caregivers face. I appreciated this event. Thank you!

Participant Feedback Demographic:

ASU Student:

ASU Staff: 1

Community: 1

Student-Other:

Event and Media Promotion

ASU Now: "Project Humanities: Talking, listening and connecting from a distance"

<https://asunow.asu.edu/20200327-discoveries-project-humanities-talking-listening-and-learning-distance>

Website and Calendar Listings

Chandler Chamber of Commerce:

<https://business.chandlerchamber.com/events/details/toxic-parenting-behaviors-38896>

All Events:

<https://allevvents.in/tempe/moved-to-online-toxic-parenting-behaviors/200019373531457>

ASU Department of Psychology:

<https://psychology.asu.edu/content/moved-online-humanity-101-homefront-aging-parents>

ASU Alumni Events

<https://alumni.asu.edu/events/moved-online-humanity-101-homefront-aging-parents>

Spingo.com

<http://thepeak.spingo.com/calendar/event/8274216-aging-parents?location=85037-phoenix§ions=377-arts&date=2019-03-08>