Living on the Edge:
An American Generation’s Journey through the Twentieth Century

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Richard Settersten - Oregon State University
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Lisa Pearce - University of North Carolina

Rick Settersten, Glen Elder, and Lisa Pearce will join us for a panel discussion of their new book, Living on the Edge (University of Chicago Press, January 2021). Based on lifelong data drawn from the iconic Berkeley Guidance Study, the book tells the story of the rarely studied 1900 generation. Set against a century of revolutionary change, the book traces the 1900 generation’s social origins through education, marriage and childbearing, employment, and their later years. From the reorganization of marriage and family roles and relationships to strategies for adapting to a dramatically changing economy, the challenges faced by this generation echo our own time. Their experiences with rapid social change and disruption provide remarkable insights into life as we know it today. http://livingontheedgebook.com/

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