From the Editor

The ideas put forth by the authors in this issue of *WORK* provide a snapshot of the diversity and growing scope of research, clinical practice and scholarly endeavors devoted to the concept of work.

Menéndez and associates add to the growing body of knowledge of university students and computer use in their multi-method study evaluating computing-related risk factors among this population.

Colleagues Legge and Burgess-Limerick from Australia describe the reliability of the JobFit System as a pre-employment functional assessment tool. Other colleagues from Australia, Scanlan and Beltran, provide us with an informative review of work in unemployment.

Three articles are from colleagues in Sweden. Nilsson, Fitinghoff and Lilja explores continuing to work after the onset of rheumatoid arthritis; and Ahlgren and associates describe an important two year follow-up study of the resumption of work after the completion of vocational rehabilitation. Grooten and associates critically explore the effect of ergonomic intervention on neck/shoulder and low back pain. Physicians Holtedahl and Veiersted of Norway provide a medico legal perspective on physical, social, and emotional function after work accidents.

This issue welcomes our first, we hope of many future authors from Mexico. González Muñoz and Gutiérrez Martínez describe the contributions of mental workload to job stress in industrial workers.

Konrad shares an engaging article of hard stories in the workplace that I know all readers will find compelling. Finally, the issue concludes with an interesting article describing a qualitative approach about work organization and its effects on the health of Chinese workers with English as a second language.

As always, I welcome your submission of manuscripts to *WORK* and to hearing from you.

Cheers,

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