

Thursday, March 23, 2006, 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.Registration: 5th Floor Registration Booth**Thursday, March 23, 2006, 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.**

Opening Reception with Exhibitors: Salon D

Friday, March 24, 2006, 7:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.Registration: 5th Floor Registration Booth**Friday, March 24, 2006, 8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.**

Coffee with Exhibitors: Salon D

Friday, March 24, 2006, 8:15 a.m.-9:45 a.m.**Session 1A: Economics of Education**

Chair: Purvi Sevak, Hunter College

1. "Feasibility of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001"
Rae Anne Dodds, College of St. Scholastica
2. "Blacks, Whites, and Brown: The Effect of School Desegregation Cases on Intergenerational Earnings Elasticity"
Nathan Grawe, Carleton College
Jenny Wahl, Carleton College
3. "Miles to Go Before I Learn: Travel Cost and the Use of Community Colleges by Mature Workers"
Mark Montgomery, Grinnell College
Christopher Jepsen
4. "The Demand for Education and Hedonic Equilibrium"
Jon R. Neill, Western Michigan University

Discussants:

1. Maki Ueyama, Cornell University
2. Robert J. Lemke, Lake Forest College
3. Russell D. Kashian, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater
4. John Topoleski, University of Toledo

Session 1B: Online Markets

Chair: Frederick G. Tiffany, Wittenberg University

2. "Congestion Pricing in an Internet Market"
Jose J. Canals-Cerda, University of Colorado-Boulder
3. "Common Values Auction with a Buy Price: the Case of eBay"
Quazi Shahriar, University of Arizona
4. "eBay 9/11"
Jose J. Canals-Cerda, University of Colorado-Boulder
Jason Percy

Discussants:

2. Nayantara Hensel, US Naval Postgraduate School
3. Catherine Y Co, University of Nebraska at Omaha
4. Mark R. Kurt, University of Iowa

Session 1C: Studies on Migration I

Chair: David Smith

1. "Border Games: A Game Theoretic Model of Migration from Mexico to the United States"
Robert J. Gitter, Ohio Wesleyan University
Julide Yazar, Ohio Wesleyan University
2. "Unintended Consequences: Do Agricultural Subsidies Increase Immigration?"
Amy M. Gass Kandilov, University of Michigan
3. "Immigration Policies that Encourage Self-Selection by Legal and Illegal Immigrants"
Stephen H. Karlson, Northern Illinois University
Eliakim Katz, Northern Illinois University

Discussants:

1. David M. Smith, Pepperdine University
2. Tricia Gladden, Bureau of Labor Statistics
3. Yoo-Mi Chin, Brown University

Session 1D: State Minimum Wages in the Midwest and Elsewhere

Submitted by Joseph Persky, University of Illinois at Chicago

Chair: J. Fred Giertz, University of Illinois

1. "The Illinois Minimum Wage and Low-Income Households"
Sharon Mastracci, University of Illinois at Chicago
Joseph Persky, University of Illinois at Chicago
2. "Impacts of the Illinois Minimum Wage: Employment, Hours and Labor Substitution in the Fast Food Industry"
Joseph Persky, University of Illinois-Chicago
Elizabeth Powers, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Ronald Baiman, University of Illinois-Chicago
3. "The Minimum Wage, Restaurant Prices and Labor Market Structure"
Daniel Aaronson, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago
Eric French, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago
Ted To, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago

Discussants:

1. Stephen A. Woodbury, Michigan State University/WE Upjohn Institute
2. Scott Adams, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
3. Sam Rosenberg, Roosevelt University

Session 1E: Health Economics I

Chair: Lucie Schmidt, Williams College

1. "Physician Quality and Health Care for the Uninsured"
Lara K. Gardner, Florida Atlantic University
2. "Does the Entry of an Ambulatory Surgical Center into a Hospital's Market Cause the Hospital to Reduce its Charity Care Caseload?"
Mike Plotzke, Washington University
3. "Coding and Case Mix Growth in a Severity-Adjusted Hospital Payment System"
D. Patrick Redmon, Maryland Health Services Cost Review Commission
Annette E. Redmon, Harford Community College

Discussants:

1. Yunhee Chang, University of Mississippi
2. Aparna Lhila, Cornell University
3. James A. Butikofer, Washington University

Session 1F: Transportation Economics

Chair: Anne M. Drougas, Dominican University

1. "A Time Series Analysis of the Output of Bangladesh Railway"

- Saleheen Khan, Minnesota State University
 Faridul Islam, Utah Valley State College; Syed Ahmed, Cameron University
2. "A Multi-City Economic Analysis of the Taxicab Industry's Regulatory Structure and Market Models in the United States"
 Gauray Tiwari, University of Missouri-St. Louis
 3. "Is the Transportation Industry Critical to Northwest Indiana's Economic Development?"
 Amlan Mitra, Purdue University Calumet

Discussants:

1. Anne Drougas
2. Michael Wenz, University of Illinois at Chicago
3. Mark Jelavich, Northwest Missouri State University

Session 1G: Innovation Economics

Chair: David Mitchell

1. "Does Past Innovation Deter Future Innovation in the U.S. Agricultural Biotechnology Industry?"
 Phoebe Chan, University of Michigan-Flint
2. "Public and Private R&D in U.S. Manufacturing: Fixed Versus Random Effects"
 Michael Youngblood, Rock Valley College

Discussants:

1. David Mitchell, Missouri State University
2. Amanda J. Felkey, Cornell University

Session 1H: Voting and Compromise

Chair: Steven Antler

1. "On Dynamic Compromise"
 T. Renee Bowen, Georgetown University
2. "Influence of a Voting Bloc Under Probabilistic Voting"
 Yung-nian Tung, Georgetown University
3. "Lecture and Voting in the US Senate"
 Atonu Rabbani, University of Chicago

Discussants:

1. Kelli Lanier, Emory University
2. Steven Antler, Roosevelt University
3. Jeffrey Wagner, Rochester Institute of Technology

Session 1I: Exchange Rates

Chair: Mahmoud Abdelbaky, Southern Illinois University

1. "Does Excess Return Vary Between Exchange Rate Regimes: A Markov Switching Model Analysis"
 Mahmoud Abdelbaky, Southern Illinois University
2. "Common Stochastic Trends, Common Volatility and Long Run Trends In Latin American Foreign Exchange Market"
 Isabel Ruiz, Western Michigan University
3. "Moral Hazard, Financial Distress, and the Choice of Exchange Rate Regimes"
 Apanard Angkinand, University of Illinois-Springfield
 Thomas Willett, Claremont College

Discussants:

1. Fuad Hasanov, Oakland University
2. Pablo Hernandez, Saint Mary's College
3. Junjie Sun, Iowa State University

Friday, March 24, 2006, 10:00 a.m.-11.30 a.m.**Session 2A: Teaching Economics I**

Chair: Peter J. Simon, Loras College

1. "Teaching Note for Students in Microeconomics-The Role of Emotions in Economic Decision Making: The case of Dieting"
Shahram Heshmat, University of Illinois Springfield
2. "Making Micro More Business Friendly"
Richard Measell, Saint Mary's College
3. "An Interdisciplinary Approach to Teaching Economics"
Michael Youngblood, Rock Valley College
4. "It's A Small World Afterall: Using the Music Industry to Teach Oligopoly Market Structure"
Brad Stamm, Cornerstone University

Discussants:

1. Mark J. Eschenfelder, Robert Morris College
2. Eric M. Jamelske, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire
3. Marianne F. Johnson, University of Wisconsin Oshkosh
4. Jeff Ankrom, Whittenberg University

Session 2B: Effects of Fiscal Policies

Chair: Thomas E. Hall, Miami University

1. "Simulation Based Macroeconomic Application of the Subsidized Loan Removal: A Policy Analysis with Financial CGE Model"
Talat Ulussever, Benedict College
2. "Asymmetric Effects of Fiscal Policy"
Tung Liu, Ball State University
Lee C. Spector, Ball State University
3. "The Relative Impact of Monetary and Fiscal Actions on Output Stabilization: A VAR Approach"
Dawit Senbet, Western Michigan University

Discussants:

1. James Feigenbaum, University of Pittsburgh
2. Laurie Pounder, University of Michigan
3. Apanard Angkinand, University of Illinois-Springfield

Session 2C: Household Economics

Chair: Carmel Chiswick, University of Illinois at Chicago

1. "Husbands, Wives and the Peculiar Economics of Household Public Goods"
Amanda J. Felkey, Cornell University
2. "Time-Intensity and the Composition of Consumption: Theory and Evidence"
Yoo-Mi Chin, Brown University
3. "Estimation of a Household Production Function and the Child Labor Supply in a Less Developed Country"
Luis Garcia, Pontificia Universidad Catolica del Peru
4. "Public Investment Composition and Poverty Outcomes in Ethiopia"
Tewodaj Mogues, International Food Policy Research Institute
Shenggen Fan, Gezahegn Ayele, Zeleka Paulos

Discussants:

1. TBA
2. Luis Garcia

3. Seth Gitter, University of Wisconsin-Madison
4. Soren Hauge, Ripon University

Session 2D: Issues in Various Labor Markets

Chair: Barry R. Chiswick, University of Illinois at Chicago

1. "Catholic Clergy, Labor Substitution and Deacon 'Production'"
Eric J. Munshower, University of Dubuque
2. "The Compensation Gap among Veterinary Graduates: 1992-2002"
David M. Smith, Pepperdine University
3. "The 2004/05 Job Market for Economists: Who, Where and Why?"
Courtenay C Stone, Ball State University
Lee C. Spector, Ball State University
4. "Do Certification Requirements Discourage High Quality Potential Entrants? The Market for Public School Administrators"
Eric J. Mitchem, Texas A&M University

Discussants:

1. Stanley Keil, Ball State University
2. Olga Yakusheva, Marquette University
3. Carolyn Heinrich, University of Wisconsin-Madison
4. Kelly J. DeRango, W.E. Upjohn Institute

Session 2E: Welfare and Health I

Chair: Steffen Habermalz, University of Nebraska-Kearney

1. "Prenatal Health Investments: What's Sex Got To Do With It?"
Aparna Lhila, Cornell University
Kosali I. Simon, Cornell University
2. "Relative Deprivation and Health: The Mediating Influence of Health Behaviors"
Patricia B. Reagan, Ohio State University
Pamela J. Salsberry, Ohio State University; Randall J. Olsen, Ohio State University
3. "Effect of Welfare Reform, EITC Expansions, and SCHIP on Child Health"
Maki Ueyama, Cornell University
Rachel Dunifon, Cornell University; Kosali Simon, Cornell University
4. "Public and Private Expenditures on Health in a Growth Model"
Xue Qiao, Iowa State University
Joydeep Bhattacharya, Iowa State University

Discussants:

1. Nathan Grawe, Carleton College
2. Mike Plotzke, Washington University
3. D. Patrick Redmon, Maryland Health Services Cost Review Commission
4. Janice E. Weaver, Drake University

Session 2F: Marriage, Family and Childhood Obesity

Organized by Lisa Barrow for CSWEP

Chair: Lisa Barrow, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago

1. "The Russian Marriage Drama"
Maja Micevska, University of Klagenfurt
Oded Stark, Universities of Bonn, Klagenfurt and Vienna
2. "The Dynamic Effects of Family Structure Transitions on Child Body Weight"
Yanjun Bao, University of Illinois at Chicago

Discussants:

1. Scott D. Drewianka, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

2. Diane Schanzenbach, University of Chicago

Session 2G: Transfers and Intergenerational Earnings Mobility

Chair: Kevin Christ, Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology

1. "The Determinants of Transfers within the Family: Evidence for Mexico and the United States"

Veronica Alaimo, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

2. "Reconciling Altruism with Equal Bequests"

Lina Walker, Congressional Budget Office

3. "Comparable Estimates of Intergenerational Income Mobility in Italy"

Patrizio Piraino, University of Siena/University of Wisconsin

Discussants:

1. Vani V. Kotcherlakota, University of Nebraska-Kearney

2. Ali Rassuli, Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne

3. John Francis, Auburn University Montgomery

Session 2H: Models of Information Transmission

Organized by Gregory Kurtzon, Bureau of Labor Statistics

Chair: Gregory Kurtzon, Bureau of Labor Statistics

1. "Why Would Anyone Use Debit Cards? A Search Theoretic Analysis of Credit and Debit Cards"

Marc Fusaro, East Carolina University

2. "A Model of Collective Invention"

Peter Meyer, Bureau of Labor Statistics

Discussants:

1. Peter Meyer, Bureau of Labor Statistics

2. Gregory Kurtzon, Bureau of Labor Statistics

Session 2I: Experimental Economics

Chair: Frederick G. Tiffany, Wittenberg University

2. "Measuring Risk Aversion: Hypothetical Versus Real Decisions"

Oleksandr Lugovskyy, St Cloud State University

3. "Subsidizing Charitable Contributions in the Field"

Philip J. Grossman, St Cloud State University

4. "Leadership in Groups: An Experimental Study"

Mana Komai, St Cloud State University

Discussants:

2. Ximena Pena, Georgetown University

3. Jeremy R. Groves, Northern Illinois University

4. Martin Farnham, University of Victoria

Friday, March 24, 2006, 1.00 p.m.-2.30 p.m.

Session 3A: Teaching Economics II-Assessing Students Performance

Chair: Mark J. Eschenfelder, Robert Morris College

1. "Assessing a Proficiency Based Major"

Steven C. Myers, University of Akron

Michael A. Nelson, The University of Akron; Richard W. Stratton, The University of Akron

2. "Revisiting the Gender Gap: Economics and Business Statistics"

Marianne F. Johnson, University of Wisconsin Oshkosh

- M.R. Haley, University of Wisconsin Oshkosh
 Eric Kuennen, University of Wisconsin Oshkosh
3. "Assessing Mastery of Proficiencies in the Major"
 W. Lee Hansen, University of Wisconsin-Madison
 4. "Changes in Math Prerequisites and the Performance of Business and Economics Statistics Students: Lessons Learned (Or, Perhaps, Not Learned)"
 Courtenay C. Stone, Ball State University
 Jeffrey J. Green, Ball State University
 Abera Zegeye, Ball State University

Discussants:

1. Peter J. Simon, Loras College
2. Shahram Heshmat, University of Illinois Springfield
3. Richard Measell, Saint Mary's College
4. Kerry Pannell, DePauw University

Session 3B: Workers' Remittances

Chair: Yasemin Ulu Bardakci, American University of Beirut

1. "The Effect of Foreign Exchange Risk and Return on Workers' Remittances"
 Carlos Vargas-Silva, Western Michigan University
2. "Assessing the Expenditure Composition of International Remittances: The Effects of Recent Mexican Trade Reforms on Household Remittances"
 Pablo Hernandez, Saint Mary's College
3. "Who Remits? The Case of Nicaragua"
 George Naufal, Texas A&M University
4. "The Role of Worker Remittances in the Education of Haitian Children"
 Susan Pozo, Western Michigan University
 Catalina Amuedo-Dorantes, San Diego State University
 Annie Georges, National Center for Children in Poverty

Discussants:

1. Saleheen Khan, Minnesota State University
2. Ivan T. Kandilov, North Carolina State University
3. Isabel Ruiz, Western Michigan University
4. Seth Gitter, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Session 3C: Labor Economics I

Chair: Virginia Shingleton, Valparaiso University

1. "New Observations Regarding Heterogeneity and the Inter-industry Wage Differential"
 Mark R. Kurt, University of Iowa
2. "Broadband Access, Telecommuting and the Urban-Rural Digital Divide"
 Peter F. Orazem, Iowa State University
 Moohoun Song, Iowa State University
 Rajesh Singh, Iowa State University
3. "Professional Contingent Workers and the Client Firms: Economies of a Symbiotic Relationship"
 Ali Rassuli, Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne
4. "A New Look at the Return to Education: Return to Relevant and Irrelevant Education"
 Olga Yakusheva, Marquette University

Discussants:

1. Lina Walker, Congressional Budget Office
2. Chad Cotti, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
3. Benjamin J. Keys, University of Michigan

4. Patrick L. O'Halloran, Monmouth University

Session 3D: Wages and Employment

Chair: Abigail Waggoner Wozniak, University of Notre Dame

1. "Emergency Extended Benefits and the Duration of Unemployment: How Sensitive Are the Estimates to Econometric Assumptions?"
Stephen A. Woodbury, Michigan State University/WE Upjohn Institute
Michael A. Allgrunn, Michigan State University
2. "Distributional Aspects of Wage Loss and Benefit Adequacy in Oregon's Worker's Compensation System"
Kelly J. DeRango, W.E. Upjohn Institute
H. Allan Hunt, W.E. Upjohn Institute
3. "Unpaid Overtime Work and Compensating Differentials"
Takada Shinobu, Meikai University
4. "The Effects of Wealth and Unemployment Benefits on Search Intensity and Labor Market Transitions"
Tricia Gladden, Bureau of Labor Statistics
Michelle Alexopoulos, University of Toronto

Discussants:

1. Lucie Schmidt, Williams College
2. Mindy Marks, University of California-Riverside
3. Abigail Waggoner Wozniak, University of Notre Dame
4. Patrizio Piraino, University of Siena/University of Wisconsin

Session 3E: Studies in Public Economics I

Chair: Michael Brun, University of Illinois

1. "Testing the POUM Thesis"
Steven Antler, Roosevelt University
2. "All together now?: An Empirical Study of the Voting Behaviors of Residential Community Association Members in St. Louis County"
Jeremy R. Groves, Northern Illinois University
3. "Governor Elections and Economic Performance"
David Mitchell, Missouri State University
Keith Willett, Oklahoma State University
4. "Single Peaked Indirect Utility in Local Public Good Economies"
Jeremy Jackson, Washington University

Discussants:

1. Brian W. Sloboda, U.S. Department of Transportation
2. Lara K. Gardner, Florida Atlantic University
3. Michael Brun, University of Illinois
4. Jon R. Neill, Western Michigan University

Session 3F: Financial Economics I

Chair: Marc Fusaro, East Carolina University

1. "U.S. Financial Transmission Rights: Theory and Practice"
Junjie Sun, Iowa State University
2. "The Relationship Between Saver Characteristics and Asset Accumulation: A Comparison of Households With and Without Outstanding Loans among 401(k) Plan Participants"
John J. Topoleski, University of Toledo
3. "An Empirical Analysis of the Pricing Behavior of Traditional IPO Issuance Processes and the IPO Online Auction Process"

- Nayantara Hensel, US Naval Postgraduate School
4. "The Effect of ATM Networks on Community Banks"
 Russell D. Kashian, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater
 Heather Kohls, Marquette University

Discussants:

1. Edward K. Zajicek, Winston-Salem State University
2. Lee Redding, University of Michigan-Dearborn
3. Edward K. Zajicek, Winston-Salem State University
4. Marc Fusaro, East Carolina University

Session 3G: Microeconomic Theory

Chair: Sumit Agarwal, Bank of America

1. "Lost in Translation: Basis Utility and Proportionality in Games"
 Barry Feldman, Prism Analytics and DePaul University
2. "The Uncertain Moral Context of Price Changes"
 Jeffrey Wagner, Rochester Institute of Technology
 Luiz Freitas,
3. "Exactly What Happens after the Anscombe-Aumann Race? : Representing Preferences in Vague Environments"
 Marie-Louise Viero, Cornell University
4. "Employers Learning and Signaling Revisited"
 Steffen Habermalz, University of Nebraska-Kearney

Discussants:

1. Luis Sanchez-Mier, Universidad de Guanajuato
2. Todd Sorensen, University of Arizona
3. Yung-nian Tung, Georgetown University
4. Kristen Monaco, California State University-Long Beach

Session 3H: Games and Incentives

Chair: Yutian Chen, SUNY-Stony Brook

1. "Moral Hazard, Collusion, and Learning"
 Andrew Samuel, Calvin College
2. "Assortative Matching and the Education Gap"
 Ximena Pena, Georgetown University
3. "Reciprocity, Turnover Costs and Implicit Bargaining Power in Employment Relationships"
 William D. Ferguson, Grinnell College
4. "Mood, Games and Markets"
 Kelli Lanier, Emory University
 C. Mónica Capra, Emory University
 Shireen Meer, Emory University

Discussants:

1. Atonu Rabbani, University of Chicago
2. Jose J. Canals-Cerda, University of Colorado-Boulder
3. Anne M. Drougas, Dominican University
4. Yutian Chen, SUNY-Stony Brook

Session 3I: Economics of the Elderly

Chair: Linda S. Ghent, Eastern Illinois University

1. "Trends in the Labor Force Participation Rates of Older Workers in Three Types of Welfare States"
 Jeungkun Kim, University of Wisconsin-Madison

2. "Early Retirement and the Housing Bubble: Evidence from the Health and Retirement Study"
Martin Farnham, University of Victoria
Purvi Sevak, Hunter College
3. "Aging Housing Flows: The Importance of Housing Consumption for the Elderly"
Jonathan D. Fisher, Bureau of Labor Statistics

Discussants:

1. Thomas Mondschean, DePaul University
2. Linda S. Ghent, Eastern Illinois University
3. Virginia Wilcox-Gok, Northern Illinois University

Session 3J: Undergraduate Papers I

Organized by Kristen Keith, University of Toledo

Chair: Michael Seeborg, Illinois Wesleyan University

1. "High School Dropout Determinants: The Effect of Poverty and Learning Abilities"
Adrienne Ingram, Illinois Wesleyan University
2. "The 2004 Election: Did Voters Bring Their Pocketbooks to the Polls"
Paul Masi, Davidson College
3. "The Effects of Graduate-student Unionization on Stipends"
Tom Schenk Jr., Drake University
4. "Socioeconomic Trauma: Correlation of Trauma Outcomes to Residential Area Socioeconomic Status"
Bryce VanDoren, University of Toledo

Discussants:

1. Mark Montgomery, Grinnell College
2. James Cicarelli, Roosevelt University
3. James K Self, Indiana University-Bloomington
4. Fred Smith, Davidson College

Friday, March 24, 2006, 2.45 p.m.-4.15 p.m.

Session 4A: Teaching Econometrics

Moderator: Humberto Barreto, Wabash College

Panelists:

- Humberto Barreto, Wabash College
- William E. Becker, Indiana University
- Frank M. Howland, Wabash College
- Jeffrey Wooldridge, Michigan State University

Session 4B: Lifecycle Consumption and Savings I

Chair: Kerry Pannell, DePauw University

1. "Housing, Household Portfolio, and Intertemporal Elasticity of Substitution: Evidence from the Consumer Expenditure Survey"
Fuad Hasanov, Oakland University
2. "Actual and Optimal Average Propensities to Consume Out of Wealth"
Laurie Pounder, University of Michigan
3. "Planning for Retirement"
Linda S. Ghent, Eastern Illinois University
Robert L. Clark

Discussants:

1. Courtenay C Stone, Ball State University
2. Yamin Ahmad, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater

3. Vani V. Kotcherlakota, University of Nebraska-Kearney

Session 4C: Studies on Migration II

Chair: Hassan Y. Aly, Ohio State University

1. "Computer Skills, Destination Language Proficiency and the Earnings of Natives and Immigrants"
 - Barry R. Chiswick, University of Illinois at Chicago
 - Paul W. Miller, University of Western Australia
2. "The Impact of Return Migration in Mexico"
 - Robert J. Gitter, Ohio Wesleyan University
 - Douglas Southgate, Ohio State University
 - Seth R. Gitter, University of Wisconsin
3. "'It's Not What You Know, It's Who You Know' Network Effects on Labor Markets: Immigrants and Natives"
 - Krishna Patel, Georgetown University
4. "Determinants of Workers' Remittances"
 - Ioana Schiopu, Indiana University
 - Nikolaus Siegfried

Discussants:

1. Peter F. Orazem, Iowa State University
2. Veronica Alaimo, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
3. Takada Shinobu, Meikai University
4. Chanyoung Lee, Iowa State University

Session 4D: Labor Economics II

Chair: James X. Sullivan, University of Notre Dame

1. "Temporary Help Service Firms' Use of Employer Tax Credits: Implications for Disadvantaged Workers"
 - Carolyn Heinrich, University of Wisconsin-Madison
 - Sarah Hamersma, University of Florida
2. "Do Performance Pay Workers Experience Less Job Turnover and Longer Tenures?"
 - Patrick L. O'Halloran, Monmouth University
4. "Credit Card Debt and Labor Supply"
 - Benjamin J. Keys, University of Michigan

Discussants:

1. Scott D. Drewianka, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
2. Mark Montgomery, Grinnell College
4. Tufan Ekici, Ohio State University

Session 4E: Topics in Health Economics

Chair: Jennifer Wilgus, Marian College

1. "The Effect of Plant Downsizing on Disability Pension Utilization"
 - Mark Votruba, Case Western Reserve University
2. "Adolescent Depression: Diagnosis, Treatment, and Educational Attainment"
 - Jason Fletcher, University of Wisconsin-Madison
3. "The Incidence of Family Friendly Practices in Canada"
 - Ana Ferrer, University of Calgary
 - Lynda Gagne, University of Victoria
4. "Market Size and Choice of Specialization"
 - Atonu Rabbani, University of Chicago

Discussants:

1. Jonathan D. Fisher, Bureau of Labor Statistics
2. Jidong Huang, University of Illinois at Chicago
3. Yanjun Bao, University of Illinois at Chicago
4. Steffen Habermalz, University of Nebraska-Kearney

Session 4F: Welfare and Health II

Chair: Jon R. Neill, Western Michigan University

1. "Welfare Reform, Migration Decisions, and Child Care Considerations"
Valerie Kepner, University of Minnesota-Morris
2. "The Affect of the States Children's Health Insurance Program on Labor Supply"
James A. Butikofer, Washington University
3. "Has Welfare Reform Sped Up Child Support Enforcement? Handling Unobserved Heterogeneity In a Duration Framework"
Yunhee Chang, University of Mississippi
4. "A Panel Data Analysis of State Healthcare Spending"
James A. Thornton, Eastern Michigan University
Jennifer Rice, Eastern Michigan University

Discussants:

1. Dennis H. Sullivan, Miami University
2. James M. Sallee, University of Michigan
3. Patricia K. Smith, University of Michigan-Dearborn
4. Rae Anne Dodds, College of St. Scholastica

Session 4G: Applied Microeconomics

Organized by Kristen A. Monaco, California State University-Long Beach

Chair: Kristen A. Monaco, California State University-Long Beach

1. "The Impact of Sarbanes-Oxley on the Public Accounting Industry"
Sarah Eckenrod, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth
M. Scott Niederjohn, Lakeland College
2. "The Economics of Adult Entertainment"
Taggart J. Brooks, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse
3. "Internal Capital Allocation in a Diversified Firm: Evidence from the Annual Capital Expenditure Survey"
Sumit Agarwal, Bank of America
Guy Yamashiro, California State University-Long Beach
Victor Souphom, Census Bureau
4. "Technology Diffusion in the Trucking Industry"
Kristen A. Monaco, California State University-Long Beach

Discussants:

1. Taggart J. Brooks, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse
2. Kristen A. Monaco, California State University-Long Beach
3. Sarah Eckenrod, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth
4. M. Scott Niederjohn, Lakeland College

Session 4H: Studies in Public Economics II

Chair: Glenn Knowles, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse

1. "Trouble in River City?: Riverboat Casinos and Crime"
John C. Navin, Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville
Timothy S. Sullivan, Southern Illinois University
2. "The Effects of Smoking Bans on Bars and Restaurants: A County Level"
Chad Cotti, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

3. "Casino Gambling and the Quality of Life"
Michael Wenz, University of Illinois at Chicago
4. "Economic, Social, Political Impact of Stadiums in Cities"
Yujin Lee, University of Illinois at Chicago

Discussants:

1. Irina B. Grafova, University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey
2. Nathan B. Anderson, University of Illinois at Chicago
3. Kevin Christ, Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
4. Glenn Knowles, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse

Session 4I: Financial Economics II

Chair: TBA

1. "Value-at-Risk Models in Portfolio Selection"
Lin Zou, Texas A&M University
2. "The G Fund: Portfolio Effects of a Dominant Asset"
Lee Redding, University of Michigan-Dearborn
3. "Shocks and Causation Across Asset Classes"
Daniel Fischmar, Westminster College

Discussants:

1. Martha Cruz-Zuniga, Western Michigan University
2. TBA
3. Gregory A. Falls, Central Michigan University

Friday, March 24, 2006, 5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

C. Woody Thompson Lecture

"Financial Volatility – Causes, Consequences and Global Patterns"
Robert F. Engle, 2003 Nobel Prize in Economics

Friday, March 24, 2006, 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

CWT Reception

Saturday, March 25, 2006, 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Registration: 5th Floor Registration Booth

Saturday, March 25, 2006, 8:15 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 5A: Banking and Consumer Credit

Organized by Sumit Agarwal, Bank of America

Chair: Mike Barry, Mount Saint Mary University

1. "Screening for Moral Hazard and Adverse Selection in the Home Equity Credit Market"
Sumit Agarwal, Bank of America
Brent W. Ambrose, University of Kentucky
Souphala Chomsisengphet, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency
Chunlin Liu, University of Nevada
2. "Consumer Lines of Credit: The Choice between Credit Cards and Home Equity Lines of Credit"
Shubhasis Dey, Bank of Canada
Lucia Dunn, Ohio State University
3. "The Effect of Credit Card Debt on Household Consumption: Evidence from Micro Data"
Tufan Ekici, Ohio State University

4. "Family Business: Personal Credit and the Banking Relationship"

Grace Kim, University of Michigan-Dearborn

Discussants:

1. Shubbasis Dey, Bank of Canada
2. Kristen A. Monaco, California State University-Long Beach
3. Taggart J. Brooks, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse
4. Vinay Kansal, HSBC

Session 5B: Lifecycle Consumption and Savings II

Chair: Laddie J. Sula, Loras College

1. "Precautionary Saving Unfettered"
James Feigenbaum, University of Pittsburgh
2. "The Permanent Income Hypothesis Debate Revisited"
Mohammad Ashraf, University of North Carolina at Pembroke
Khan A. Mohabbat, Northern Illinois University
3. "Spreading Academic Pay over Nine or Twelve Months: Economists are Supposed to Know Better, But Do They Act Better?"
Victor V. Claar, Hope College
Christine M. Diestl, Hope College
Ross D. Poll, Hope College

Discussants:

1. William Blankenau, Kansas State University
2. Laddie J. Sula, Loras College
3. John Navin

Session 5C: Macroeconomics of the Labor Market

Organized by Daniele Coen-Pirani, Carnegie Mellon University

Chair: Daniele Coen-Pirani, Carnegie Mellon University

1. "Accounting for the Changing Life-Cycle Profile of Earnings"
Gueorgui Kambourov, Arizona State University
2. "Patterns of Specialization"
Aysegul Sahin, Federal Reserve Bank of New York
3. "Understanding Gross Population Flows Across US States"
Daniele Coen-Pirani, Carnegie Mellon University

Discussants:

1. Eric French, Chicago Federal Reserve Bank
2. Antoine Martin, Federal Reserve Bank of New York
3. Rui Castro, Centre-Ville Montreal

Session 5D: Social Status and Health

Chair: Virginia Wilcox-Gok, Northern Illinois University

1. "Immigrant Health Assimilation: Getting Better or Becoming Worse?"
Jidong Huang, University of Illinois at Chicago
2. "Recent Immigrants, Health Insurance, and the Aftermath of the 1996 Welfare Reform"
Amy M. Gass Kandilov, University of Michigan
3. "The Distribution of Health Status and Health Spending Among Older Adults"
Lina Walker, Congressional Budget Office
Julie Topoleski, Congressional Budget Office
4. "Old, Poor, and Depressed? Demand for Antidepressants among Older Women in the United States"
Virginia Wilcox-Gok, Northern Illinois University

Discussants:

1. Marcia Khairallah, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
2. Tewodaj Mogues, International Food Policy Research Institute
3. Eric J. Munshower, University of Dubuque
4. Michael Brun, University of Illinois

Session 5E: Economics of Development I

Chair: Bichaka Fayissa, Middle Tennessee State University

1. "Subsidies in India: Dilution of Resources"
Hemant Bisht, Rai Business School
2. "Market Access and Income Inequality"
Zhaoyang Hou, George Washington University
3. "Infrastructure Availability and the progress of Economic Reforms: Lessons from Emerging Economies"
Jaishankar Raman, Valparaiso University
4. "The Urban Real Wage Decline and Increased Wage Inequalities in Kenya: 1986-1999"
Richard U. Agesa, Marshall University
Jacqueline Agesa, Marshall University
Andrew Dabalen, World Bank

Discussants:

1. Thomas E. Hall, Miami University
2. Bichaka Fayissa, Middle Tennessee State University
3. Xue Qiao, Iowa State University
4. Janice E. Weaver, Drake University

Session 5F: Topics in US Trade

Chair: Norman P. Miller, Miami University

1. "Foreign Direct Investment and U.S. Skill Upgrading"
Man Chiu Sunny Wong, University of Southern Mississippi
2. "The Spatial Patterns of American State's Export Performance"
Christian Nsiah, Black Hills State University
3. "U. S. Exports of Knowledge-Intensive Services and Importing Country Characteristics"
Catherine Y Co, University of Nebraska at Omaha

Discussants:

1. Carlos Vargas-Silva, Western Michigan University
2. Seife Dendir, Radford University
3. Miao Wang, Marquette University

Session 5G: Economics of Development II

Chair: Donald G. Richards, Indiana State University

1. "Determinants of Gross Capital Formation"
Minh Quang Dao, Eastern Illinois University
2. "Deciding the Sequence of Privatization: Theory and Evidence from Bulgaria"
Neviana Petkova, University of Michigan
3. "Reforming the Predatory State: the Case of Paraguay"
Donald G. Richards, Indiana State University
4. "Public Capital and Rent-Seeking in Transition Economies"
Calin Arcalean, Indiana University at Bloomington

Discussants:

1. Quentin M.H. Duroy, Denison University
2. Calin Arcalean, Indiana University at Bloomington

3. Neviana Petkova, University of Michigan
4. Donald G. Richards, Indiana State University

Session 5H: International Trade I

Chair: John Francis, Auburn University Montgomery

1. "Impact of Exchange Rate Uncertainty on Trade Flows: Evidence from Commodity Trade between U.S. and U.K."
Mohsen Bahmani-Oskooee, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
2. "The Economics of Domestic Cultural Content Protection in Broadcasting"
John Beghin, Iowa State University
Mukhtar Bekkali, Iowa State University
3. "Identification in Models of Factor Abundance"
Peter Morrow, University of Michigan
4. "Revisiting the Revisited: Alternative Test for Monopolistic Competition Model of International Trade"
Isao Kamata, University of Michigan

Discussants:

1. Kasaundra Tomlin, Oakland University
2. Leila Farivar, University of Illinois-Urbana/Champaign
3. TBA
4. Na Yang, Michigan State University

Session 5I: Economics of Taxation I

Chair: Gustavo Rodriquez, Long Island University

1. "Optimal Income Taxation and Redistribution in a Growth Model with Altruism"
Gregory A. Krohn, Bucknell University
2. "Health Insurance and Tax Policy"
Sagiri Kitao, New York University
Karsten Jeske, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta
3. "Optimal Capital Taxation and Growth in Rich and Poor Countries"
Shinn-Shyr Wang, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Ming-Feng Hsieh, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Discussants:

1. TBA
2. Dawit Senbet, Western Michigan University
3. John Stinespring, Colorado College

Session 5J: Education Finance

Chair: Thomas R. Sadler, Western Illinois University

1. "Education Savings Bonds and Savings Behavior"
Harry Tsang, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
2. "Econometric Issues in Education Finance"
Gbenga Ajilore, University of Toledo

Discussants:

1. Philip J. Grossman, St Cloud State University
2. Michael F. Lovenheim, University of Michigan

Session 5K: Contributions to Growth Theory and Development

Chair: Oded Izraeli, Oakland University

1. "Microfinance and Missing Markets"
M. Shahe Emran, George Washington University

- AKM Mahbub Morshed, Southern Illinois University-Carbondale
Joseph E. Stiglitz, Columbia University
2. "A Hybrid Vintage Growth Model with Heterogeneous Capital"
Osamu Aruga, University of Michigan
 3. "Global Agreements for Sustainable Development"
Urvi Neelakantan, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Luis Sanchez-Mier, Universidad de Guanajuato

Discussants:

1. Susan Pozo, Western Michigan University
2. Gyan Pradhan, Westminster College
3. Sisay Asefa, Western Michigan University

Saturday, March 25, 2006, 10:00 a.m.-11.30 a.m.

Session 6A: Monetary Policy I

Chair: Grace Kim, University of Michigan-Dearborn

1. "Macroeconomic Demand and Supply with Money and Interest Rate Policies"
Norman P. Obst, Michigan State University
2. "Bank Capital, Asset Prices and Monetary Policy"
Matthias Paustian, Bowling Green State University
David Aikman, Bank of England
3. "Monetary Policy and Long-term Interest Rates"
Shu Wu, University of Kansas

Discussants:

1. Mohammad Ashraf, University of North Carolina at Pembroke
2. Tung Liu, Ball State University
3. Karsten Jeske, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta

Session 6B: FDI: Determinants and Effects

Chair: Wilfrid W Csaplár, Jr., Bethany College

1. "Ownership Changes and Adjustments in Firm Behavior: Does Foreign Ownership Lead to Higher Firm Productivity?"
Neviana Petkova, University of Michigan
2. "An Analysis on Firm-Level FDI in Korea around the Asian Financial Crisis: The Role of Investors' Information and Experience"
Ronald A. Ratti, University of Missouri-Columbia
3. "FDI and Domestic Investment: Crowding In or Crowding Out?"
Miao Wang, Marquette University
4. "Does the Technology Content of Exports Matter in the Selection of FDI Host Countries?"
Bedassa Tadesse, University of Minnesota-Duluth

Discussants:

1. Ayman Amer, Mount Mercy College
2. Wilfrid W Csaplár, Jr., Bethany College
3. Ricardo Lopez, Indiana University
4. Evelina Mengova, International Monetary Fund

Session 6C: Family Structure and Marital Dissolution

Chair: Jennifer Wilgus, Marian College

1. "Will You Covenant Marry Me? A Look at a New Type of Marriage"
Amanda J. Felkey, Cornell University

2. "For Better or for Worse? The Effect of Earnings Risk on Family Structure"
Scott D. Drewianka, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
3. "Income Shocks, Chinese Zodiacs, and Marital Dissolution"
Song Gao, Western Michigan University
Wei-Chiao Huang, Western Michigan University

Discussants:

1. Andrew Samuel, Calvin College
2. Patricia A. Simpson, Loyola University
3. Nidhi Thakur, CCEHPE, University of Chicago

Session 6D: R&D, Investor Protection, and World Income Differences

Organized by Marla Ripoll, University of Pittsburgh

Chair: Juan Carlos Cordoba, Rice University

1. "Legal Institutions, Sectoral Heterogeneity, and Economic Development"
Rui Castro, Centre-Ville Montreal
2. "Is the Speed of Convergence a Good Proxy for the Transitional Growth Path?"
Chris Papageorgiou, Louisiana State University
3. "Endogenous TFP and Cross Country Income Differences"
Marla Ripoll, University of Pittsburgh

Discussants:

1. Kei-Mu Yi, Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia
2. Theo Eicher, University of Washington
3. Andres Rodriguez-Clare, Pennsylvania State University

Session 6E: Causes of Obesity

Organized by Gerhard Glomm

Chair: Rusty Tchernis, Indiana University

1. "The Connection Between Maternal Employment and Childhood Obesity: Inspecting the Mechanism"
Gerhard Glomm, Indiana University
Angela Fertig; Rusty Tchernis, Indiana University
2. "Social Dynamics of Obesity"
Frank Heiland, Florida State University
Mary Burke, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston
3. "Dieter's Dilemma: Experimentation, Weight Loss and Weight Gain"
Saharat Pongsree, Michigan State University
4. "Accountability-Induced Obesity in Students"
Kristin Butcher, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago
Diane Whitmore Schanzenbach, University of Chicago

Discussants:

1. Diane Whitmore Schanzenbach, University of Chicago
2. Gerhard Glomm, Indiana University
3. Gerhard Glomm, Indiana University
4. Rusty Tchernis, Indiana University

Session 6F: Empirical Studies on Economic Growth I

Chair: Victor V. Claar, Hope College

1. "Aid, Policies, and Growth in Developing Countries: Evidence from Disaggregated Aid Data"
Elias K. Shukralla, St Louis Community College
Eskander Alvi, Western Michigan University
Debasri Mukherjee, Western Michigan University

2. "Foreign Direct Investment, Foreign Aid and Growth in Developing Countries"
Gyan Pradhan, Westminster College
Mukti Upadhyay, Eastern Illinois University
3. "Fiscal Response to External Finance: The Case of Sub-Saharan Africa"
Aberra Senbeta, Western Michigan University
Dawit Senbet, Western Michigan University
4. "Freedom, Transparency, and Economic Growth"
Robert J. Lemke, Lake Forest College
James J. Marquardt, Lake Forest College

Discussants:

1. Ross Hanig, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
2. Victor V. Claar, Hope College
3. Ilir Miteza, University of Michigan-Dearborn
4. M. Shahe Emran, George Washington University

Session 6G: Market Structure and Pricing

Chair: Masoud Moallem, Rockford College

1. "Outsourcing Spurred by Strategic Competition"
Yutian Chen, SUNY-Stony Brook
Pradeep Dubey, SUNY-Stony Brook
Debapriya Sen, SUNY-Stony Brook
2. "Interdependent Sequential Sales"
Gustavo Rodriguez, Long Island University
3. "Outsourcing and Entry Deterrence"
Yutian Chen, SUNY-Stony Brook
4. "The Impact of Cooperation in Research and Development on Collusion in Product Markets"
Julie DeCourcy, Trinity University

Discussants:

1. Shinn-Shyr Wang, University of Wisconsin-Madison
2. Marie-Louise Viero, Cornell University
3. Clarissa A Yeap, University of Minnesota
4. Diego A. Escobari, Texas A&M University

Session 6H: Middle East Economies

Chair: Gregory A. Krohn, Bucknell University

1. "The Impact of Iraq War on Foreign Bank Lending to the MENA Region"
H. Evren Damar, Pacific Lutheran University
2. "Saudi Arabia and Iran: A Comparison of Two Economies"
Esen Gurtunca, University of Indianapolis
3. "Measuring the Efficiencies of the UAE Banking System"
Hassan Y. Aly, Ohio State University
Fatima Al-Shamsi, UAE University
Yehia Al-Bassiouni, UAE University

Discussants:

1. Mriduchhanda Paul, Southern Illinois University-Carbondale
2. Venkataramana Gajjala, Tiffin University
3. H. Evren Damar, Pacific Lutheran University

Session 6I: Real Exchange Rates and Productivity

Chair: Mohsen Bahmani-Oskooee, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

1. "Productivity Shocks, the Real Exchange Rate, and the Euro Puzzle"

- Norman C. Miller, Miami University
2. "Backus-Smith Puzzle: There is Role for Expectations?"
Luis Opazo, Georgetown University
 3. "Asset Prices, Real Exchange Rate, and Net Export"
Hua Liu, Middle Tennessee State University
Xiaolin Zhao, Fedex Services

Discussants:

1. Mahmoud Abdelbaky, Southern Illinois University
2. Rebecca Braeu, California State University-Long Beach
3. George Naufal, Texas A&M University

Session 6J: International Trade II

Chair: TBA

1. "Exporter's Labor Demand"
Ivan T. Kandilov, North Carolina State University
2. "Outsourcing Controversy: National and International Perspectives"
Vinod V. Sharma, The Ohio State University
3. "Political Affiliation and Trade Policy Preferences: The Importance of Being 'Right-Wing'"
Roger White, Franklin & Marshall College
4. "Greenfield Investment vs. Merger and Acquisition: Entry Modes of FDI"
Na Yang, Michigan State University

Discussants:

1. Maryann O. Keating, Holy Cross College
2. Evelyn Wamboye, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
3. Marie Truesdell, Marian College
4. Mehrene E. Larudee, DePaul University

Session 6K: Empirical Studies on FDI

Chair: Russell D. Kashian, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater

1. "Does Real Exchange Rate Volatility Affect Foreign Direct Investment? Evidence From Four Developed Countries"
Mark Wheeler, Western Michigan University
Abdur R. Chowdhury, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe
2. "Determinants of Foreign Direct Investment in Eastern and Central European Countries"
Dharmendra Dhakal, Tennessee State University
Kamal P. Upadhyaya, University of New Haven
3. "A Panel Study of Foreign Direct Investment and Trade"
Raymond MacDermott, Western Illinois University

Discussants:

1. Raymond MacDermott, Western Illinois University
2. John Francis, Auburn University Montgomery
3. Russell D. Kashian, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater

Saturday, March 25, 2006, 11:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m.

MEA Executive Board Meeting

Saturday, March 25, 2006, 1.00 p.m.-2.30 p.m.

Session 7A: Monetary Policy II

Chair: Ronald A. Ratti, University of Missouri-Columbia

1. "The Demand for Money in Ghana: Evidence from Cointegration Test"

- Jae-Kwang Hwang, Virginia State University
 Kwadwo Bawuah, Virginia State University
2. "Monetary Policy and Stock Market: An International Analysis"
 Martha Cruz-Zuniga, Western Michigan University
 3. "Term Structure, Monetary Policy Rules and Expectation Hypothesis"
 Song Gao, Western Michigan University

Discussants:

1. Ronald A. Ratti, University of Missouri-Columbia
2. Robert C. Tatum, University of North Carolina at Asheville
3. Hassan Mohammadi, Illinois State University

Session 7B: Trade Creation and Diversion: Case Studies

Chair: Douglas Agbetsiafa, Indiana University-South Bend

1. "Trade Creation and Trade Diversion of ASEAN, ANDEAN, EU and MERCOSUR: By Gravity Model"
 Dongwook Han, Central Michigan University
2. "NAFTA and the Realignment of Textile and Apparel Trade: Trade Creation or Trade Diversion"
 Mikhail Kouliavtsev, Philadelphia University

Discussants:

1. Christian Nsiah, Black Hills State University
2. Mukhtar Bakkali, Iowa State University
3. Isao Kamata, University of Michigan

Session 7C: Female Labor Supply and Child Health

Chair: Phoebe Chan, University of Michigan-Flint

1. "Duration Analysis on the Impacts of Child Health on Mothers' Marital Status"
 Peihong Feng, Ohio State University
2. "Careers and Labor Market Interruptions: How Crucial is Timing?"
 Carole A. Green, University of South Florida
 Marianne A. Ferber, University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana
3. "The Effect of Fertility on the Labor Supply of Married Women in Ethiopia"
 Blen Solomon, Western Michigan University
4. "The Influence of Female Status on Child Health: Evidence from India"
 James M. Sallee, University of Michigan

Discussants:

1. Mahshid Jalilvand, University of Wisconsin-Stout
2. Krishna Patel, Georgetown University
3. Virginia Shingleton, Valparaiso University
4. Ana Ferrer, University of Calgary

Session 7D: Causes and Implications of Internal Migration in US

Chair: John R. Stoll, University of Wisconsin-Green Bay

1. "Do Americans Vote by Feet? A Case Study of Tax-induced Migration"
 Ming-Feng Hsieh, University of Wisconsin-Madison
 Hui-chen Wang, University of Mississippi
2. "New Deal Program Spending and Internal Migration from 1935 to 1940: Evidence from the 1940 Census"
 Todd Sorensen, University of Arizona
 Price Fishback, University of Arizona
 Shawn Kantor, University of California Merced

Samuel Allen, University of California Davis

3. "The Causal Impact of College Education on Geographic Mobility; Evidence from the Vietnam Generation"

Abigail Waggoner Wozniak, University of Notre Dame

Ofer Malamud, University of Chicago

Discussants:

1. Enlison H. Carvalho de Mattos, University of Illinois-Urbana/Champaign
2. Alicia Adsera, University of Illinois at Chicago
3. Laddie J. Sula, Loras College

Session 7E: Environmental Regulation

Chair: Stephen H. Karlson, Northern Illinois University

1. "Green Giving and Demand for Environmental Protection"

Debra Israel, Indiana State University

2. "Why We Need a Commitment Approach to Environmental Policy"

Thomas R. Sadler, Western Illinois University

John F. Tomer, Manhattan College

3. "Policy Implications of a Model of Determinants of Chicago's Low-Level Ozone Concentrations"

Richard F. Kosobud, University of Illinois at Chicago

Houston H. Stokes, University of Illinois-Chicago

Carol D. Tallarico, Dominican University

Chris L. Price, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

Discussants:

1. Kelly D. Edmiston, Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City
2. Jeanne Boeh, Augsburg College
3. James R. Gale, Michigan Technological University

Session 7F: Simon Rottenberg's 1956 Article on the Baseball Players' Labor Market,

Organized by John J. Siegfried

Chair: Gary Becker, University of Chicago

Paper: "Simon Rottenberg and Baseball Economics: A Fiftieth Anniversary Retrospective"

Allen Sanderson, University of Chicago

John J. Siegfried, Vanderbilt University

Panelists:

Brad Humphreys, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

Anthony Krautman, DePaul University

Session 7G: Health and Obesity

Chair: Frank Heiland, Florida State University

1. "Obesity and Nutritional Knowledge"

Irina B. Grafova, University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey

2. "Do You Have Time to Exercise? A Time-use Analysis of How People Who Do Not Exercise Spend Their Time"

Nidhi Thakur, CCEHPE, University of Chicago

3. "Does the Food Stamp Program Contribute to Adult Obesity? An Instrumental Variables Approach"

Patricia K. Smith, University of Michigan-Dearborn

Jay L. Zagorsky, Ohio State University

Discussants:

1. Tin-Chun Lin, Indiana University Northwest

2. Javier Birchenall, University of California Santa Barbara
3. Zhuo Chen, University of Chicago

Session 7H: Economics II

Chair: Minh Quang Dao, Eastern Illinois University

2. "A Cross-Sectional Analysis of the Infant Mortality Rates in Nations Across the World"
Gaurav Tiwari, University of Missouri-St. Louis
3. "The Impact of Bargaining Power on Intrahousehold Food Allocation in Honduras"
Marcia Khairallah, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Mary Arends-Kuenning, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Discussants:

2. Peter Morrow, University of Michigan
3. Minh Quang Dao, Eastern Illinois University

Session 7I: Studies in Education

Chair: Gregory A. Krohn, Bucknell University

1. "Effects on High School Students of Participation in Career and Technical Education: Chicago Public Schools Class of 2004"
Helen Roberts, University of Illinois at Chicago
2. "Effects of High School Work Experience on Schooling Outcomes in the Short Term"
Chanyoung Lee, Iowa State University
3. "Does Athletic Participation Affect Academic Performance?"
Carol Tallarico, Dominican University
Anne Drougas, Dominican University

Discussants:

1. Urvi Neelakantan, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
2. Jeff Ankrom, Whittenberg University
3. Xin Xu, University of Illinois-Chicago

Session 7J: Dealing with Poverty

Chair: Stephen A. Woodbury, Michigan State University/WE Upjohn Institute

1. "Private Transfers, Informal Loans and Risk Sharing among Poor Urban Households"
Seife Dendir, Radford University
Eskander Alvi, Western Michigan University
2. "Is Poverty Higher in Ethnic Enclaves?"
Dennis H. Sullivan, Miami University
Andrea L. Ziegert, Denison University
3. "How Do Financial Resources Affect Material Well-Being?"
James X. Sullivan, University of Notre Dame
4. "Poverty and Income Inequality in the U.S.: A Closer Look after Katrina"
Fahima Aziz, Hamline University

Discussants:

1. Hemant Bisht, Rai Business School
2. Amy M. Gass Kandilov, University of Michigan
3. Ana Claudia Polato e Fava, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
4. Zhaoyang Hou, George Washington University

Session 7K: Studies in Labor Mobility

Chair: Bedassa Tadesse, University of Minnesota-Duluth

1. "Welfare Effects of Skilled Labor Flows between the North and South"
Farida C. Khan, University of Wisconsin-Parkside

2. "Economic Geography, Migration, and Search"
Mina Kim, University of Wisconsin-Madison
3. "Exploring a U.S. Immigrant-IIT Link"
Roger White, Franklin & Marshall College
4. "A Gravity Model of Legal Migration to the United States"
Arsen V. Melkumian, Western Illinois University

Discussants:

1. Roger White, Franklin & Marshall College
2. Robert Derrell, Manhattanville College
3. Vinod V. Sharma, The Ohio State University
4. Bedassa Tadesse, University of Minnesota-Duluth

Session 7L: Open Macroeconomics I

Chair: Fuad Hasanov, Oakland University

1. "Consequences of Being a Small Country in a Monetary Union"
Olena Mykhaylova, Georgetown University
2. "Impact of Monetary Policy Shocks on Exchange Rates: A New Approach to Monetary Policy Shock Identification"
Pao-Lin Tien, Washington University
3. "Real Rigidities and Optimal Exchange Rate Policy"
William Craighead, Miami University

Discussants:

1. Pao-Lin Tien, Washington University
2. John W. Keating, University of Kansas
3. Luis Opazo, Georgetown University

Session 7M: Undergraduate Papers II

Organized by Kristen Keith, University of Toledo

Chair: Louis D. Johnston, College of St. Benedict

1. "Juanita's Money Order: Income Effects on Human Capital Investment in Mexico"
Zéinde Avellaneda, University of Wisconsin
Juan Carlos Suárez, Trinity University
2. "Risk Aversion in CEO Compensation"
Brandon Bates, Brigham Young University
3. "Twin Peaks: The Effect of Terrorism and Financial Shocks on Short-Run Fluctuations in the Risk Premium for 10-year Corporate Bonds"
Justin T. Patterson, Ball State University
4. Determinants of Educational Achievement in Massachusetts
Ben Wallenberg, Grinnell College
Matthew Johnshoy, Grinnell College

Discussants:

1. Susan Pozo, Western Michigan University
2. John Topoleski, University of Toledo
3. Paula Malone, University of Michigan
4. Robert J. Gitter, Ohio Wesleyan University

Saturday, March 25, 2006, , 2.45 p.m.-4.15 p.m.

Session 8A: Monetary Theory

Chair: Norman P. Obst, Michigan State University

1. "Interpreting Permanent Shocks to Inflation When Money Growth is Endogenous"

John W. Keating, University of Kansas

Discussants:

1. Norman P. Obst, Michigan State University
2. Dandan Liu, Bowling Green State University

Session 8B: Studies in Discrimination

Chair: Fahima Aziz, Hamline University

1. "Discrimination Against Men with Disabilities: Is Prejudice Translated into Wage Discrimination?"
Chung Choe, University of Arizona
2. "Do Females Receive Lenient Sentences Despite the Federal Sentencing Guidelines?"
Todd Sorensen, University of Arizona
Ronald L. Oaxaca, University of Arizona
Supriya Sarnikar, Westfield State College
3. "Gender Roles and Earnings in Brazil: Were There Any Changes between 1981 and 2001?"
Ana Claudia Polato e Fava, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
4. "The Role of Children in the Gender Pay Gap: Decomposition Using Quantile Regression"
Mo-Yin Tam, University of Illinois-Chicago
Xin Xu, University of Illinois at Chicago
Gilbert W. Bassett Jr, University of Illinois at Chicago

Discussants:

1. Timothy Miller, Denison University
2. Alemayehu Azeze Ambel, Western Michigan University
3. Sharon Mastracci, University of Illinois at Chicago
4. Carole A. Green, University of South Florida

Session 8C: Contributions to Econometric Theory

Chair: Jeffrey Wooldridge, Michigan State University

1. "Time Series Issues in Dynamic Panel Data Models with Unstable Roots: Is large T Necessarily a Good Thing?"
Audrey Laporte, University of Toronto
Brian Ferguson, University of Guelph
2. "A Simple Test for Slope Homogeneity in Panel Data Models Robust to Small N and T"
ChangChing Lin, University of Michigan
3. "Forecasting with Weakly Nested Models"
Michael W. McCracken, Federal Reserve Board
Todd E. Clark, Federal Reserve Bank-Kansas City

Discussants:

1. Ali Dadpay, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
2. Michael W. McCracken, Federal Reserve Board
3. Barry Feldman, Prism Analytics and DePaul University

Session 8D: Economics of Taxation II

Chair: Debra Israel, Indiana State University

1. "Taxing Business: The Effect of Commercial-Industrial Tax Base on Local Expenditures"
Nathan B. Anderson, University of Illinois at Chicago
2. "Top Marginal Tax Rates on U. S. Personal Income: Is There a Relation with Economic Growth?"
James R. Gale, Michigan Technological University
3. "The Earned Income Tax Credit and Reported Self-Employment Income"

Sara LaLumia, University of Michigan

4. "Poverty, Tax Evasion and the General Income Tax"

Enlison H. Carvalho de Mattos, University of Illinois-Urbana/Champaign

Discussants:

1. Dan Hungerman, Notre Dame University
2. Debra Israel, Indiana State University
3. Jeremy Jackson, Washington University
4. Blen Solomon, Western Michigan University

Session 8E: Issues in Environmental Economics

Chair: Ian Lange, National Center for Environmental Economics

1. "Pastoral Survival Strategies in Semi-Arid Regions: A Case Study from Southern Ethiopia"

Bichaka Fayissa, Middle Tennessee State University

Wassie Berhanu, University of Manchester, UK

2. "Investigating Environmental Kuznets Curve Hypothesis Using Meta-Analysis"

Hui Li, Eastern Illinois University

Robert Berrens, University of New Mexico

Terese Grijalva, Weber State University

3. "The Coexistence of 'Process' and 'End-of-Pipe' Environmental R&Ds: Welfare and Emission Effects of two R&D Subsidies"

Valerica Vlad, Winona State University

Discussants:

1. John R. Stoll, University of Wisconsin-Green Bay
2. Carol Tallarico, Dominican University
3. Hui Li, Eastern Illinois University

Session 8F: Education Policies

Chair: TBA

1. "Allocating Government Education Expenditures Across K-12 and College Education"

William Blankenau, Kansas State University

2. "The Impact of Local Taxes on Parental Choice of Education and Implications: Evidence from Pennsylvania"

Tin-Chun Lin, Indiana University Northwest

3. "The Effects of State Equalization Plans and Declining Enrollment for K-12 Urban and Rural Schools in Minnesota, North Dakota and Wisconsin"

Jeanne Boeh, Augsburg College

4. "Efficiency Issues in the Minnesota's Open Enrollment Policy"

Glenn Knowles, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse

Elizabeth Knowles, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse

Discussants:

1. Jeff Ankrom, Whittenberg University
2. Mark Votruba, Case Western Reserve University
3. TBA
4. Peter G. VanderHart, Bowling Green State University

Session 8G: Taxes and Bankruptcy

Chair: Luis Opazo, Georgetown University

1. "Taxing Times for Taxpayers: Getting the Right Advice"

Raymonda Burgman, DePauw University

2. "New Insights in the Determinants of Bankruptcy Filing Rates"

Kelly D. Edmiston, Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City

3. "Tax Evasion and the Remuneration of Tax Auditors in a Corrupt Tax Administration"
Diego A. Escobari, Texas A&M University

Discussants:

1. Maryann O. Keating, Holy Cross College
2. Harry Tsang, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
3. Maryann O. Keating, Holy Cross College

Session 8H: Financial Economics III

Chair: TBA

1. "The Opportunity Cost of Restricting the Number of Assets in One's Portfolio and of Using a Restricted Vector Autoregression in Derivation of Asset Returns Distribution"
Alla A. Melkumian, Western Illinois University
2. "Interest Rate Differentials and the Conversion of Credit Unions"
Russell D. Kashian, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater
Jeff Heinrich, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater
3. "Stock Price, Margin Borrowing, and Holding Period: Is There a Long Term Relation?"
Saleheen Khan, Minnesota State University
Faridul Islam, Utah Valley State College
4. "Time-varying Multi-loadings Model"
Peng Huang, Western Michigan University

Discussants:

1. Peng Huang, Western Michigan University
2. Hua Liu, Middle Tennessee State University
3. Daniel Fischmar, Westminster College
4. Gregory A. Falls, Central Michigan University

Session 8I: Open Macroeconomics II

Chair: Douglas Agbetsiafa, Indiana University-South Bend

1. "Capital Mobility and Foreign Debt Sustainability: Some Evidence from Turkey"
Hassan Mohammadi, Illinois State University
Murak Cak
Demet Cak
2. "The Long-Run Behavior of the Current Account in Canada"
Rebecca Braeu, California State University-Long Beach
3. "International Consequences of Balancing the U.S. Current Account"
Robert Derrell, Manhattanville College
4. "Liberalization of Import Restrictions on Capital Goods and the Balance of Payments"
Robert C. Tatum, University of North Carolina at Asheville

Discussants:

1. Olena Mykhaylova, Georgetown University
2. William Craighead, Miami University
3. Ilir Miteza, University of Michigan-Dearborn
4. Yuwei Wang, University of Missouri-Columbia

Session 8J: Economics of Development III

Chair: Mukti P. Upadhyay, Eastern Illinois University

1. "Development and Inequality: an Endogenous Switching Regression Analysis without Regime Separation"
Zhuo Chen, University of Chicago
2. "Income Inequality and Economic Growth: Evidence from the US States"
Oded Izraeli, Oakland University

- Fuad Hasanov, Oakland University
3. "Rural Policy and Farm Subsidies Among OECD Countries: Economic and Noneconomic Influences"

Mark Jelavich, Northwest Missouri State University

Discussants:

1. Jaishankar Raman, Valparaiso University
2. Osamu Aruga, University of Michigan
3. Mina Kim, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Session 8K: Industrial Organization

Chair: Shinn-Shyr Wang, University of Wisconsin-Madison

1. "Entry Detering Capacity in the U.S. Aluminum Industry"
Sheng-ping Yang, Black Hills State University
2. "Mixed Oligopoly and Spatial Price Discrimination"
GuangLiang Ye, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
John S. Heywood, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
3. "Strategic Adoption in a Two-Sided Market: A Study of College Applications in Brazil"
Marcelo Rezende, University of Chicago
4. "Competition and Market Structure in the Food Service Industry"
Clarissa A Yeap, University of Minnesota

Discussants:

1. Dale Bremmer, Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
2. Jie Pan, Washington University
3. Julie DeCourcy, Trinity University
4. Kevin Christ, Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology

Session 8L: Contributions to Economic History

Chair: Paul J. Kubik, DePaul University

1. "Economics, Economists and the Social Security Amendments of 1939"
Ross M. LaRoe, Denison University
2. "Slaves, Mules, and Cotton: Gang Labor on Antebellum Southern Plantations"
John F. Olson, College of St. Benedict
3. "The Economic Cost of the Trail of Tears"
Matthew T. Gregg, Roger Williams University
David Wishart, Wittenberg University
4. "Between Revolution and Rebellion: The Debate over Taxation in the Federalist Era"
Roger S. Hewett, Drake University

Discussants:

1. Matthew T. Gregg, Roger Williams University
2. Kishore G. Kulkarni, Metropolitan State College of Denver
3. Louis D. Johnston, College of St. Benedict
4. John Berdell, DePaul University

Session 8M: Undergraduate Papers III

Organized by Kristen Keith, University of Toledo

Chair: W. Lee Hansen, University of Wisconsin-Madison

1. "The Monetary Policy Trilemma During the Gold Standard Era"
Justin Dailey, Miami University
2. "Team Success and Personnel Allocation under the National Football League Salary Cap"
John Haugen, Illinois Wesleyan University
3. "How Does Wal-Mart Affect Local Labor Markets? Evidence From Retail Sub-Sectors"

- Dain Johnson, University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee
4. “The Effects of Education on Prisoner Recidivism”
James Underwood, University of Akron

Discussants

1. Frederick Tiffany, Wittenberg University
2. Gbenga Ajilore, University of Toledo
3. Dennis H. Sullivan, Miami University
4. Paula Malone, University of Michigan

Saturday, March 25, 2006, 4:45 p.m.-5:45 p.m.

Presidential Lecture

"Quit Lying and Teach the Controversies: There Are No Dogmata, Laws, Rules, or Standards in the Science of Economics"

William E. Becker, Indiana University

Saturday, March 25, 2006, 5:45 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

MEA Business Meeting

Saturday, March 25, 2006, 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

President's Reception

Saturday, March 25, 2006, 6:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

IAFFE Business Meeting

Saturday, March 25, 2006, 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

CSWEP Reception and Business Meeting

Saturday, March 25, 2006, 7:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.

Past Presidents' Reception and Dinner

Sunday, March 26, 2006, 8:15 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

9A: Teaching Economics III

Chair: Louis D. Johnston, College of St. Benedict

1. “Academic Performance and Pupils' Profile: Does Effort Truly Matter?”
Sandra Trejos, University of Pennsylvania
Gustavo Barboza, Mercyhurst College
2. “Community Based Learning Experience for Economic Students”
Masoud Moallem, Rockford College
Teresa Turner, Rockford School District
3. “Technology Adoption in the Presence of Network Externalities: A Web-Based Classroom Game”
James R. Wolf, Jr., Illinois State University
4. “Teaching Microeconomics in Wonderland”
James K. Self, Indiana University-Bloomington
B. Peter Pahigian

Discussants:

1. Charles A. Rambeck, Saint John's University
2. Helen Roberts, University of Illinois at Chicago
3. Mehrene E. Larudee, DePaul University

4. Steven C. Myers, University of Akron

Session 9B: Trade, Growth and Institutions

Chair: Dipak Ghosh, Emporia State University

1. "The Impact of Legal Systems on Trade Flows in Western and Eastern Europe: An Empirical Evaluation in a Gravity Model Framework"
Evelina Mengova, International Monetary Fund
2. "Regional Trade Agreements: Do Trade Patterns Matter for Growth?"
Rossitza B. Wooster, California State University-Sacramento
3. "EU-US Trade Disputes and Their Impact on Trade Flows and Economic Growth"
Venkataramana Gajjala, Tiffin University
4. "Safeguards and Retaliatory Threats"
Kasaundra Tomlin, Oakland University
Benjamin H. Liebman, Saint Joseph's University

Discussants:

1. Mikhail Kouliavtsev, Philadelphia University
2. Dipak Ghosh, Emporia State University
3. Claustre Bajona, University of Miami
4. Bichaka Fayissa, Middle Tennessee State University

Session 9C: Technology Adoption and Productivity

Chair: Luis Sanchez-Mier, Universidad de Guanajuato

1. "Foreign Technology Licenses and the Distribution of Human Capital on LDC Growth"
Kevin J. Bowman, Bloomsburg University
2. "Foreign Technology Acquisition, Productivity, and Spillovers: The Role of Inter-Sector Linkages"
Ricardo Lopez, Indiana University
3. "Competition and Growth: The Key Role of R&D Duplication behind the 'Inverted U' Relationship"
A. J. Swann, York University

Discussants:

1. Farida C. Khan, University of Wisconsin-Parkside
2. Kevin J. Bowman, Bloomsburg University
3. Sheng-ping Yang, Black Hills State University

Session 9D: Topics in Business Cycles

Chair: TBA

1. "The Role of Stock Prices in Business Cycles"
James Ross McCown, Oklahoma City University
2. "The Effects of Growing Durable Imports on the Economy"
Phacharaphot Nuntramas, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
3. "Wage Dynamics and Insurance"
Mario Macis, University of Chicago
4. "The Role of Contracting Schemes for the Welfare Costs of Nominal Rigidities"
Matthias Paustian, Bowling Green State University

Discussants:

1. Ryan A. Compton, University of Manitoba
2. Shu Wu, University of Kansas
3. Song Gao, Western Michigan University
4. TBA

Session 9E: Economics of Fertility

Chair: Mahshid Jalilvand, University of Wisconsin-Stout

1. "On the Fertility Effects of Oral Contraception"
Dan Hungerman, Notre Dame
2. "Fertility Changes in Latin America in the Context of Economic and Political Uncertainty"
Alicia Adsera, University of Illinois at Chicago
Alicia Menendez, University of Chicago
3. "Endogenous Mortality and the Quantity and Quality of Children"
Javier Birchenall, University of California Santa Barbara
4. "Demand for Children in Ethiopia"
Alemayehu Azeze Ambel, Western Michigan University

Discussants:

1. Sara LaLumia, University of Michigan
2. Patricia A. Simpson, Loyola University
3. Mary Arends-Kuenning, University of Illinois
4. Mahshid Jalilvand, University of Wisconsin-Stout

Session 9F: Topics in Macroeconometrics

Chair: Brian Ferguson, University of Guelph

1. "Minimum Distance Estimation of Forward-Looking Relationships"
Nikolay Iskrev, University of Michigan
2. "Empirical Evidence on the Sticky Information Phillips Curve"
Olivier Coibion, University of Michigan
3. "Oil Prices and Economic Activity: Evaluating the Performance of Crude Oil as a Leading Indicator"
Dandan Liu, Bowling Green State University
Lance J. Bachmeier, Kansas State University
Qi Li, Texas A&M University
4. "Identifying Efficient Ports under Competition: An Application of Information Based Duration Analysis"
Ali Dadpay, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Discussants:

1. Brian Ferguson, University of Guelph
2. Hyung Sun Choi, University of Iowa
3. Ayman Amer, Mount Mercy College
4. Ayman Amer, Mount Mercy College

Session 9G: Applied Econometrics

Chair: Lyubov Kurkalova, Southern Illinois University

1. "Imputing Income in the Consumer Expenditure Survey: Results for Low Income Reporters"
Geoffrey Paulin, Bureau of Labor and Statistics
2. "Avoiding Biases from Data-Dependent Specification Search: An Application to Estimation of Green Subsidies"
Lyubov Kurkalova, Southern Illinois University
Sanchita Senjupta, Iowa State University
Catherine L. Kling, Iowa State University

Discussants:

1. Lezheng Liu, Western Michigan University
2. ChangChing Lin, University of Michigan

Session 9H: Rebuilding New Orleans: Economic and Social Policies in the Wake of Katrina

Organized by Bruce Pietrykowski for the Association of Social Economics

Chair: Donald Matthews, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Roundtable participants:

Linwood F Tauheed, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Michael J. Radzicki, Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Mathew Forstater, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Discussants:

Stephen Casmier, Saint Louis University

William Julius Wilson, Harvard University

Sunday, March 26, 2006, 10:00 a.m.-11.30 a.m.

Session 10A: Issues in Central Banking

Chair: Douglas Agbetsiafa, Indiana University-South Bend

1. "Setting the Target for the Federal Funds Rate: The Determinants of Fed Behavior"

Dale Bremmer, Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology

Randy Kesselring, Arkansas State University

2. "What's the Best Way to Hinder the Federal Reserve?"

Peter G. VanderHart, Bowling Green State University

3. "The Dynamic Relationship between the Euro Overnight Rate, the ECB's Policy Rate and the Term Spread"

Dieter Nautz, Goethe University Frankfurt

Christian J. Offermanns, Goethe University

Discussants:

1. Matthias Paustian, Bowling Green State University

2. Nikolay Iskrev, University of Michigan

3. Mark Wheeler, Western Michigan University

Session 10B: Discrimination and Diversity

Chair: Gbenga Ajilore, University of Toledo

1. "Does the Severity of Residential Segregation Differ by Age?"

Timothy Miller, Denison University

2. "The Impact of Group Diversity on Performance and Knowledge Spillover Effect: An Experiment in a College Classroom"

Jie Pan, Washington University

Zeynep Hansen, Washington University

Hideo Owan, Washington University

3. "Occupational Licensing and Discrimination"

Mindy Marks, University of California-Riverside

Discussants:

1. Chung Choe, University of Arizona

2. Mario Macis, University of Chicago

3. Ross M. LaRoe, Denison University

Session 10C: China and the Global Economy

Chair: TBA

1. "Free Trade Agreements and the Environment with Pre-existing Subsidies"

Claustre Bajona, University of Miami

2. "Openness Policy for Foreign Direct Investment: a Big Deal to Regional Growth of China?"

Yuwei Wang, University of Missouri-Columbia

Shawn Ni, University of Missouri-Columbia

Discussants:

1. Dongwook Han, Central Michigan University
2. Claustre Bajona, University of Miami

Session 10D: Responsibility, Charity and Taxes

Chair: Marie Truesdell, Marian College

1. "On Intertemporal Charitable Behavior: What Are the Effects of Wage and Tax Changes?"
Lezheng Liu, Western Michigan University
2. "How Far to the Border?: The Extent and Impact of Cross-Border Cigarette Sales, 1992-2002"
Michael F. Lovenheim, University of Michigan

Discussants:

1. Raymonda Burgman, DePauw University
2. James K. Self, Indiana University-Bloomington

Session 10E: Economics and Economists

Chair: Michael Youngblood, Rock Valley College

1. "From Commonsense to Refined Economic Knowledge and Back Again"
Robert H. Renshaw, Renshaw Enterprises
2. "Interdependence and Independence in Cantillon's Essai"
John Berdell, DePaul University
3. "Influence of Keynes on Policy Making in U.S."
Kishore G. Kulkarni, Metropolitan State College of Denver

Discussants:

1. James R. Wolf, Jr., Illinois State University
2. Roger S. Hewett, Drake University
3. Olivier Coibion, University of Michigan

Session 10F: Empirical Studies on Economic Growth II

Chair: Rossitza B. Wooster, California State University-Sacramento

1. "Contractionary Devaluation Revisited: A Smooth Transition Regression"
Iilir Miteza, University of Michigan-Dearborn
2. "Does it take a Revolution? An Empirical Study of Political Instability and Economic Growth in the Long Run"
Ryan A. Compton, University of Manitoba
Noel Johnson, Cal State University-Long Beach
Dan Giedeman, Grand Valley State University
3. "The Impact of Human Rights, Market Openness, and Human Capital on Macroeconomic Growth: the Solow Model in a Panel Data Framework"
Ross Hanig, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
4. "Cultural Capital and Economic Growth: An Empirical Framework"
Quentin M.H. Duroy, Denison University

Discussants:

1. Rossitza B. Wooster, California State University-Sacramento
2. John F. Olson, College of St. Benedict
3. A. J. Swann, York University
4. Donald G. Richards, Indiana State University

Session 10G: Environmental Regulation of Stationary Air Polluters

Organized by Ian Lange, National Center for Environmental Economics

Chair: Allen Bellas, Metropolitan State University

1. "Advances in Particulate Control Technology"

- Allen Bellas, Metropolitan State University
2. "Policy Innovation Impacts on Scrubber Electricity Usage"
Ian Lange, National Center for Environmental Economics
 3. "Evaluating the Effectiveness of EPA Voluntary Programs: An Examination of the Strategic Goals Program for Metal Finishers"
Keith Brouhle, Grinnell College
 4. "Alternative Market Designs: An Experimental Approach"
Brian L. Scott, University of Alabama Birmingham

Discussants:

1. Emma Hutchinson, University of Victoria
2. Keith Brouhle, Grinnell College
3. Hui Li, Eastern Illinois University
4. Carol D. Tallarico, Dominican University

Session 10H: Applied Time Series

Chair: Brian W. Sloboda, U.S. Department of Transportation

1. "Re-examining the Stock Price-Inflation Rate Relationship: Case Study: USA"
Dipak Ghosh, Emporia State University
Swarna (Basu) Dutt, University of West Georgia
2. "Stock Market Liberalization and International Risk Sharing"
Shu Wu, University of Kansas
Shigeru Iwata, University of Kansas
3. "Role of Currency Substitution in Determining Peruvian Inflation: A VAR Approach"
Mriduchhanda Paul, Southern Illinois University-Carbondale
Subhash C. Sharma, Southern Illinois University-Carbondale
4. "Effect of Inflation News on Stock Returns: Evidence from High Frequency Data"
Yasemin Ulu Bardakci, American University of Beirut
Eskander Alvi

Discussants:

1. James Ross McCown, Oklahoma City University
2. Phacharaphot Nuntramas, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
3. Brian W. Sloboda, U.S. Department of Transportation
4. TBA

Session 10I: Undergraduate Papers IV

Organized by Kristen Keith, University of Toledo

Chair: William E. Becker, Indiana University

1. "Foreign Aid Policy and Its Effect in Nepal"
Rishav Bista, Coe College
2. "The Effect of Oil Prices on Exchange Rates: A Case Study of the Dominican Republic"
Jennifer C. Dawson, Illinois Wesleyan University
3. "Corruption and Growth in the Philippines"
Stephanie Hartje, College of St. Benedict
4. "Wage Convergence Among German Women Post-Unification"
Katie Lupo, Lake Forest College

Discussants:

1. Kristen Keith, University of Toledo
2. Richard Eichhorn, Coe College
3. Mohsen Bahmani-Oskooee, University of Wisconsin Milwaukee
4. William D. Ferguson, Grinnell College