

Thursday, March 19, 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Registration

Friday, March 20, 7:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Registration

Friday, March 20, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Vendor Exhibits

Friday, March 20, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 1a: Education and Human Capital

Chair: Vipul Bhatt, Ohio State University

- 1 “The Impact of Political Conflict on Student Performance”
Shikha Basnet, University of Pittsburgh
- 2 “Learning Disorders, Skills, and Educational Attainment”
Andrew McGee, Ohio State University
- 3 “Does School Matter?”
Elias Walsh, University of Michigan
Brian Jacob, Justin McCrary
- 4 “The Impact of Term Time Employment on Academic Performance and Human Capital Formation”
Michael Wenz, Winona State University
Wei-Choun Yu, Winona State University

Discussants:

- 1 Urvi Neelakantan, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- 2 Yu Peng Lin, Texas A&M University-Kingsville
- 3 Kevin Mumford, Purdue University
- 4 Basit Zafar, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

Friday, March 20, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 1b: African Labor and Health

Chair: Kathryn G. Marshall, California Polytechnic State University

- 1 “*The Socio-Economic Distribution of AIDS Incidence and Output*”
Pedro de Araujo, Colorado College
- 2 “*The Effect of Anti-retroviral Drug Availability on Employment Outcomes in South Africa*”
Zoe McLaren, University of Michigan

Discussants:

- 1 Nadia Vanteeva, Queen’s University Belfast
- 2 Kathryn G. Marshall, California Polytechnic State University

Friday, March 20, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 1c: Environmental Economics

Chair: Lea-Rachel Kosnik, University of Missouri-St. Louis

- 1 “*Biofuel Production under Carbon Constraints*”
Jerome Dumortier, Iowa State University
- 2 “*Household Adoption of Green Technologies: The Case of Chicago Rain Barrels*”
Luiz Freitas, University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign
Amy W. Ando, University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign
- 3 “*Conservation Incentives in Coral Markets*”
Tesa Leonce, Eastern Illinois University
- 4 “*Demand-Side Factors in Optimal Land Conservation Choice*”
Payal Shah, University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign
Amy W. Ando, University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign

Discussants:

- 1 Lea-Rachel Kosnik, University of Missouri-St. Louis
- 2 Keith S. Evans, Iowa State University
- 3 Kuralai Belgibaeva, Kazakh-British Technical University
- 4 Jerome Dumortier, Iowa State University

Friday, March 20, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 1d: Crime and Law

Chair: Mark E. McBride, Miami University

- 1 *“Do Statutory Rape Laws Work?”*
Matthew Henry, Cleveland State University
Scott Cunningham, Baylor University
- 2 *“Turnover and Accountability of Appointed and Elected Judges”*
Claire Lim, Stanford University

Discussants:

- 1 Jose Fernandez, University of Louisville
- 2 Mark E. McBride, Miami University

Friday, March 20, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 1e: Fiscal Policy

Chair: Warren Hrung, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

- 1 *“Real Interest Rates and Fiscal Policy: A Global Study”*
Ellis Heath, West Virginia University
- 2 *“Identifying U.S. Fiscal Policy Behavior”*
Bing Li, Indiana University-Bloomington
- 3 *“Optimal Monetary Policy in the Presence of Fiscal Foresight”*
Nora Traum, Indiana University Bloomington

Discussants:

- 1 Man Chiu Wong, University of San Francisco
- 2 Jian Hu, Southern Methodist University
- 3 Jing Han, Ohio State University

Friday, March 20, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 1f: India

Chair: TBA

- 1 *“Political Affiliation of a Reserved Representative and Public Goods Provisioning in India”*
Shibalee Majumdar, Ohio State University
- 2 *“The ‘Indirect’ Effects of Employment Based Affirmative Action Policy”*
Nishith Prakash, Ohio University
- 3 *“Caste-Based Discrimination: Evidence and Policy”*
Zahra Siddique, Institute for the Study of Labor
- 4 *“Does Political Turnover Adversely Affect the State Expenditure Policy? Evidence from Indian State Legislative Elections”*
Yogesh Uppal, Youngstown State University

Discussants:

- 1 Yogesh Uppal, Youngstown State University
- 2 TBA
- 3 Alexis Leon, University of Pittsburgh
- 4 Peter Orazem, Iowa State University

Friday, March 20, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 1g: American History

Chair: Raymond Johnson, Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville

- 1 *“The Economic Mind of the Iroquois Prior to Contact”*
James Cicarelli, Roosevelt University
- 2 *“Efficiency in Real Estate and Human Capital Markets in Eighteenth and Nineteenth Century North America”*
Catherine McDevitt, Central Michigan University
- 3 *“The Spread of Chain Stores during the 1930’s & 40’s: The Where, the Why, and the Consequences”*
Todd Neumann, University of California Merced
- 4 *“The Shadow and Blight of Slavery: How Long did the Advantages of Free Land Persist?”*
Melinda Miller, U.S. Naval Academy

Discussants:

- 1 Oladele Omosegbon, Indiana Wesleyan University

- 2 Melinda Miller, U.S. Naval Academy
- 3 Patrick Van Horn, University of Michigan-Dearborn
- 4 Raymond Johnson, Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville

Friday, March 20, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 1h: CSWEP: Topics in Development Economics

Organized by Anna Paulson, Chicago Federal Reserve Bank

Chair: Kaye Husbands Fealing, University of Minnesota

- 1 *“Collective Action and International Carbon Dioxide Regulations”*
Nirupama Devaraj, Valparaiso University
Suchandra Basu, Rhode Island College

Discussants:

- 1 Kaye Husbands Fealing, University of Minnesota
- 2 James Payne, Illinois State University

Friday, March 20, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 1i: Health and Economic Behavior

Chair: Mir Ali, University of Toledo

- 1 *“Can Marriage Affect Risky Behavior for African-Americans?”*
Gbenga Ajilore, University of Toledo
Mir Ali, University of Toledo
- 2 *“The Pill and Partnerships: The Impact of the Birth Control Pill on Cohabitation”*
Finn Christensen, Towson University
- 3 *“Smoker’s Remorse: An Empirical Analysis of Time-Inconsistent Preferences in Smoking Behavior”*
Laura Kawano, University of Michigan
Sebastien Bradley, University of Michigan
- 4 *“The Effect of Children’s Medicaid Enrollment on School Performance”*
Shishu Zhang, Northern Illinois University

Discussants:

- 1 David Kalist, Shippensburg University
- 2 Ari Kang, Carnegie Mellon University
- 3 Rita Ray, Western Washington University
- 4 Lauren Heller, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill

Friday, March 20, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 2a: Education

Chair: Richard Measell, Saint Mary’s College

- 1 *“Failing Schools, Private Tutoring and Policy Interventions: Implications for Education and Child Labor”*
Subhra Saha, Cleveland State University
Biba Saha, University of East Anglia
- 2 *“Earnings History and the Schooling Decisions of Older Workers”*
Mark Montgomery, Grinnell College
Christopher Jepsen, University of Kentucky
- 3 *“Private Tutoring, School Education and Government Policy”*
Subhra Saha, Cleveland State University
Biba Saha, University of East Anglia
- 4 *“Who Benefits from an Elite College Education? The NBER-Thorndike-Hagen Data Revisited”*
Stephen A. Woodbury, Michigan State University/WE Upjohn Institute

Discussants:

- 1 Candace Flatt, Eastern Illinois University
- 2 Elias Walsh, University of Michigan
- 3 Stephen A. Woodbury, Michigan State University/WE Upjohn Institute
- 4 David E. Harrington, Kenyon College

Friday, March 20, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 2b: Monetary Policy

Chair: Nasrin Shahinpoor, Hanover College

- 1 *“The Accomodation of Monetary Policy to Technology Shocks”*

- Jing Han, Ohio State University
- 2 “*Effects of Net Foreign Wealth on Optimal Monetary Policy*”
Olena Mykhaylova, University of Richmond
 - 3 “*Credit Market Shocks, Monetary Policy, and Economic Fluctuations*”
Alberto Ortiz, Oberlin College
 - 4 “*Monetary Policy with Monopolistic Financial Market and Heterogenous Consumers*”
Dong Vu, Georgetown University

Discussants:

- 1 Brent Bundick, Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City
- 2 Nora Traum, Indiana University Bloomington
- 3 TBA
- 4 Bing Li, Indiana University-Bloomington

Friday, March 20, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 2c: Development and Growth

Chair: Soren Hauge, Ripon College

- 1 “*Household Poverty and Incidence of Child Labor*”
Sanjukta Chaudhuri, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire
- 2 “*Did the Transmigration Program Alleviate Geographic Poverty Traps in Indonesia?*”
Ayesha Enver, Ohio State University
- 3 “*The Relavance of Institutions in doing Research on Economic Growth and Development in Africa*”
Oladele Omosegbon, Indiana Wesleyan University

Discussants:

- 1 Soren Hauge, Ripon College
- 2 Dongwoo Yoo, Ohio State University
- 3 James Cicarelli, Roosevelt University

Friday, March 20, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 2d: Economic Effects of Immigration

Chair: Nishith Prakash, Ohio University

- 1 “*The Impact of Immigration of State Government Budgets*”
Gbenga Ajilore, University of Toledo
- 2 “*The Labor Market Effects of Immigrant Outflows: Evidence from the Elimination of the Bracero Program*”
Alexis Leon, University of Pittsburgh
Sandra Orozco, University of Pittsburgh
- 3 “*The Effect of Immigrants’ Occupation and Income on the U.S. Bilateral Trade Flows*”
Kusum Mundra, Rutgers University-Newark

Discussants:

- 1 Darin Jensen, Eastern Michigan University
- 2 Francisco Rosas, Iowa State University
- 3 Shuichiro Nishioka, West Virginia University

Friday, March 20, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 2e: Credit Markets and Business Cycles

Chair: Walker F. Todd, AIER

- 1 “*Capital Structure Over The Business Cycle*”
David Amdur, Georgetown University
- 2 “*Stopping Start-ups: How the Business Cycle Affects Current and Lifetime Entrepreneurship*”
Peter F. Orazem, Iowa State University
Li Yu, Robert Jolly, Iowa State University
- 3 “*Credit Friction and Firm Dynamics*”
Zheng Zeng, Southern Methodist University

Discussants:

- 1 George Waters, Illinois State University
- 2 Walker F. Todd, AIER
- 3 David Amdur, Georgetown University

Friday, March 20, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 2f: International Finance

Chair: Hamid Milani, University of Wisconsin-Marathon County

- 1 “*Dependence Structures in Chinese and U.S. Financial Markets: A Time-varying Conditional Copula Approach*”
Jian Hu, Southern Methodist University
- 2 “*An Early Warning System for Currency Crisis*”
Saktinil Roy, Athabasca University
- 3 “*Testing Short-Contagion in Interest Rates, Exchange Rates, and Reserves*”
Veysel Ulusoy, University of Bahcesehir
- 4 “*Multiple Reserve Requirements, Exchange Rates and Sudden Stops in a Small Open Economy*”
Wen-Yao Wang, Texas A&M University - Galveston
Paula Hernandez-Verme, Texas A&M University

Discussants:

- 1 Victoria Mantzopoulos, University of Detroit Mercy
- 2 Ting Huang, University of Pittsburgh
- 3 Ellis Heath, West Virginia University
- 4 Abdelmounaim Lahrech, Al Akhawayn University

Friday, March 20, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 2g: CSWEP: Topics in Finance

Organized by Anna Paulson, Chicago Federal Reserve Bank

Chair: Urvi Neelakantan, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

- 1 “*Measuring the Efficiency of Financial Inputs for Entrepreneurship*”
Lakshmi Balasubramanyan, Indiana State University
- 2 “*Household Bargaining and Portfolio Choice*”
Urvi Neelakantan, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Angela Lyons, University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana
- 3 “*Diversion as a Screening Tool in Principal-agent Models with Private Information*”
Jennifer Steele, Washington State University

Discussants:

- 1 Jerry Marshke, Harvard University
- 2 Silvia Prina, Case Western Reserve University
- 4 Shreemoy Mishra, Oberlin College³

Friday, March 20, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 2h: Political Economy I

Chair: Marie Truesdell, Marian College

- 1 “*A Structural Model of the 2000 Presidential Elections: Instrumenting for Endogenous Ideology*”
Jose Fernandez, University of Louisville
Guido Catiefe, University of Louisville
- 2 “*Freedom of Press and Civil Unrest*”
Sudeshna Pal, Georgia College and State University
- 3 “*Forecasting the Probability of Winning U.S. Presidential Elections using State Polls*”
Souren Soumbatiants, Franklin University
- 4 “*Positive and Negative Campaigning: A Rational Choice Model Approach*”
David Yi, Xavier University

Discussants:

- 1 Marie Truesdell, Marian College
- 2 Jac Heckelman, Wake Forest University
- 3 Jongyearn Lee, University of Michigan
- 4 Sudeshna Pal, Georgia College and State University

Friday, March 20, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 2i: Obesity

Chair: Christopher Surfield, Saginaw Valley State University

- 1 “*The Effect of Smoking on Body Weight*”
Mir Ali, University of Toledo
Hai Fang, University of Miami

- 2 “*Why are Americans Eating Out so Much?*”
Sebastien Buttet, Cleveland State University
Veronika Dolar, University of Minnesota
- 3 “*Availability of Physical Activity Facilities: Physical Activity Participation and Weight Status of Adults*”
Zeynep Isgor, University of Illinois at Chicago
Lisa Powell, University of Illinois at Chicago
- 4 “*Obesity and Delinquency*”
David Kalist, Shippensburg University

Discussants:

- 1 Shishu Zhang, Northern Illinois University
- 2 Sana Sehar, Iowa State University
- 3 Shikha Basnet, University of Pittsburgh
- 4 Christopher Surfield, Saginaw Valley State University

Friday, March 20, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 2j: Economic Demography

Chair: Pedro de Araujo, Colorado College

- 1 “*Trend in Retirement Behavior of Married Couples*”
Vipul Bhatt, Ohio State University
- 2 “*Demographics and the Business Cycle across the United States*”
Steven Lugauer, University of Notre Dame
- 3 “*Risk Aversion on Fertility Behavior in Japan*”
Yuko Nozaki, Hiroshima University
- 4 “*Who’s Afraid of Population Aging?*”
Alexander Ueberfeldt, Bank of Canada

Discussants:

- 1 Hyojin Jeong, Lakeland Community College
- 2 Sami Alabdulwahab, Eastern Illinois University
- 3 Finn Christensen, Towson University
- 4 Samah Mazraani, University of Pittsburgh

Friday, March 20, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 2k: The Problem of Vacant and Abandoned Properties

Organized by James Thomson and Francisca Richter

Chair: James Thomson, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland

- 1 “*The Determinants of Foreclosed Property Values: Evidence from Inner-City Cleveland*”
A.J. Sumell, Youngstown State University
- 2 “*Spatial Analysis of the Impact of Vacant, Abandoned and Foreclosed Properties*”
Brian Mikelbank, Cleveland State University
- 3 “*What Happens to REO Properties That Sell for Less Than \$10,000*”
Claudia J. Coulton, Case Western Reserve University

Discussants:

- 1 O. Emre Ergungor, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland
- 2 Stephan Whitaker, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland
- 3 Richard Todd, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis

Friday, March 20, 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland

Drop in and learn about the Bank's architecture, the historic main lobby, and tour the Learning Center and Money Museum. Photo ID required for admittance.

Friday, March 20, 11:45 a.m.-1:15 p.m.

CSWEP Luncheon and Business Meeting

Friday, March 20, 1:15 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Session 3a: Successfully Earning a Ph.D. in Economics: Letting the Data Speak

Organized by John Siegfried

Chair: John Siegfried, Vanderbilt University

1 “*Successfully Earning a Ph.D. in Economics: Letting the Data Speak*”

John J. Siegfried, Vanderbilt University
 Wendy A. Stock, Montana State University
 T. Aldrich Finegan, Vanderbilt University

Observations from the data:

Kevin Mumford, Purdue University
 Peter Hinrichs, Georgetown University
 Jennifer Steele, Washington State University

Friday, March 20, 1:15 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Session 3b: Efficiency and Output in LDCs

Chair: Robert Rainish, University of New Haven

1 “*Dealing with the Highest Inflation in Africa: The case of Stagflation in Zimbabwe*”

Fungisai Nota, Wartburg College

2 “*Currency Devaluation and Aggregate Output in East Africa*”

Kamal P. Upadhyaya, University of New Haven
 John Phelan, University of New Haven
 Robert Rainish, University of New Haven

Discussants:

- 1 Assande Adom, Eastern Illinois University
- 2 Andrey Zagorchev, Lehigh University

Friday, March 20, 1:15 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Session 3c: Phillips Curves and Volatility

Chair: Shuo Chen, State University of New York Geneseo

1 “*Has the U.S. Economy Exhibited Less Uncertainty During the Greenspan Era?*”

Anthony Yanxiang Gu, State University of New York Geneseo
 Shuo Chen, State University of New York Geneseo
 Christopher Annala, State University of New York Geneseo

2 “*Can the New Keynesian Phillips Curve Be Redeemed?*”

Peter G. VanderHart, Bowling Green State University
 Rajeevee Panditharatna, Bowling Green State University

3 “*Credit Rationing and the Phillip’s Curve*”

George Waters, Illinois State University
 James Payne, Illinois State University

Discussants:

- 1 Hammad Qureshi, Ohio State University
- 2 William Segal, University of Michigan
- 3 Zheng Zeng, Southern Methodist University

Friday, March 20, 1:15 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Session 3d: Applied Microtheory

Chair: Jonathan Lanning, Albion College

1 “*Swapping Fish Tales and Divvying Search: Co-operatives and Efficient Investment in Information*”

Keith S. Evans, Iowa State University

2 “*An Empirical Model of Learning under Ambiguity: The Case of Clinical Trials*”

Jose Fernandez, University of Louisville

3 “*Recommended Retail Pricing with Consumer Search*”

Dmitry Lubensky, University of Michigan

4 “*How to Build a Gift Registry: Altruistic Motives and Menu Design*”

Michael Stevens, University of Michigan

Discussants:

- 1 Zhiyong Liu, Georgia State University
- 2 Erik Johnson, University of Michigan
- 3 Andrew McGee, Ohio State University
- 4 Jonathan Lanning, Albion College

Friday, March 20, 1:15 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Session 3e: The Federal Reserve and the Financial Crisis of 2007-2008**Organized by Joseph Haubrich and James Thomson**

Chair: Joseph Haubrich, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland

- 1 *“Recent Changes in Funding costs: evidence from the FX basis swap”*
Warren Hrung, Federal Reserve Bank of New York
Asani Sarkar, Federal Reserve Bank of New York
Niall Coffey, Federal Reserve Bank of New York
Hoai-Luu Ngoyen, Federal Reserve Bank of New York
- 2 *“The Federal Reserve, Its Mandates, and the Bailout”*
Walker F. Todd, AIER
Anna J. Schwartz, NBER
- 3 *“Recommendations for Regulatory Reform”*
Joseph G. Haubrich, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland
James Thomson, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland

Discussants:

- 1 Owen F. Humpage, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland
- 2 Ellis Tallman, Oberlin College
- 3 Alan Reichert, Cleveland State University

*Friday, March 20, 1:15 p.m.-3:00 p.m.***Session 3f: Trade**

Chair: David Carr, University of South Dakota

- 1 *“An Empirical Exploration of Trade Policy and Income Distribution”*
Nabanita Nandi, State University of New York-Plattsburgh
- 2 *“Is General Technology Fully responsible for the ‘Success’ of the HOV Model?”*
Shuichiro Nishioka, West Virginia University
- 3 *“West Africa’s Evolving Competitive Exposure in U.S. Import Markets”*
Yaya Sissoko, Indiana University of Pennsylvania
David B. Yerger, Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Discussants:

- 1 David Carr, University of South Dakota
- 2 Antoine Gervais, University of Maryland
- 3 Nadia Doytch, University of New Haven

*Friday, March 20, 1:15 p.m.-3:00 p.m.***Session 3g: Poverty and Growth in India**

Chair: Nasrin Shahinpoor, Hanover College

- 1 *“Infant Mortality in India: District-Level Variations and Correlations”*
Shruti Kapoor, University of California, Riverside
- 2 *“Immunization, Mortality and Education: Evidence from India”*
Santosh Kumar, University of Houston
- 3 *“Economic Liberalization and Patterns of Poverty and Inequality in India”*
Vinod V. Sharma, Ohio State University
- 4 *“Globalizations Effect on Establishment and Employment Creation: An Analysis of States in India”*
Arun Srinivasan, Indiana University Southeast
Janardhanan A. Alse, Indiana University Southeast

Discussants:

- 1 Tamkeen Khan, University of Illinois at Chicago
- 2 Seth Gershenson, Michigan State University
- 3 Santosh Kumar, University of Houston
- 4 Nasrin Shahinpoor, Hanover College

*Friday, March 20, 1:15 p.m.-3:00 p.m.***Session 3h: Political Economy II**

Chair: Shanthi Ramnath, University of Michigan

- 1 *“The Political Economy of Investment: Sclerotic Effects from Interest Groups”*
Jac Heckelman, Wake Forest University
Dennis Coates, University of Maryland Baltimore County

- Bonnie Wilson, St Louis University
- 2 “*Political Dominance and Economic Performance: A Study on United States*”
Rita Ray, Western Washington University
 - 3 “*Gerschenkron Revisited: The New Corporate Russia*”
Nadia Vanteeva, Queen’s University Belfast
Charles R. Hickson, Queen’s University Belfast

Discussants:

- 1 Shibalee Majumdar, Ohio State University
- 2 Claire Lim, Stanford University
- 3 Zahra Siddique, Institute for the Study of Labor

Friday, March 20, 1:15 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Session 3i: Health: Preventions and Cures

Chair: Patricia Reagan, Ohio State University

- 1 “*Social Context and the Spread of HIV: A game-theoretic investigation on impacts of social stigma and HIV education on epidemic outcomes*”
William D. Ferguson, Grinnell College
Trang Kieu Nguyen, Grinnell College
- 2 “*Analysis of Motorcycle Helmet-Use Law Using Grouped Mixed Proportional Hazard Model with Spatial Dependence*”
Jongyeon Lee, University of Michigan
- 3 “*Severity of Illness and the Cost of Treating Poor Populations*”
D. Patrick Redmon, Xavier University
Andy Udom, State of Maryland
- 4 “*Understanding Variation in Child Immunization Rates*”
Lenisa Vangjel, Michigan State University

Discussants:

- 1 Gbenga Ajilore, University of Toledo
- 2 Patricia Reagan, Ohio State University
- 3 Sebastien Buttet, Cleveland State University
- 4 Edmundo Reyes, Wayne State University

Friday, March 20, 1:15 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Session 3j: Labor Productivity and Mobility

Chair: Peter Orazem, Iowa State University

- 1 “*Hours worked in the OECD 1960-2003: Driving Forces and Propagation Mechanisms*”
Cara McDaniel, Kenyon College
- 2 “*Job Flows Across U.S. States*”
Yoonsoo Lee, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland
Daniele Coen-Pirani, Carnegie Mellon University
- 3 “*Consistent Cross-Country Estimates of Labor Productivity*”
Kathryn G. Marshall, California Polytechnic State University
- 4 “*Gender Discrimination and Self-employment Dynamics*”
Donald R. Williams, Kent State University

Discussants:

- 1 Steven Lugauer, University of Notre Dame
- 2 TBA
- 3 Curtis Reynolds, Kent State University
- 4 Sanjukta Chaudhuri, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

Friday, March 20, 1:15 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Session 3k: Economics and Regulation of Air Pollution

Organized by Allen Bellas

Chair: Allen Bellas, Metropolitan State University

- 1 “*Willingness to Pay for Reducing Global and Local Air Pollution: Evidence from Terre Haute, Indiana*”
Debra Israel, Indiana State University
- 2 “*Permit Overallocation in the Chicago Emissions Reduction Market System*”
Brian L. Scott, Washington College

- Carol Tallarico, Dominican University
- 3 *“Determinants of Coal Contract Renegotiation”*
Lea-Rachel Kosnik, University of Missouri-St. Louis
Ian Lange, University of Stirling
 - 4 *“A Simulation of the Impacts of Short Term Emissions Limits on Short Term Spikes in Ambient Pollution Levels”*
Allen Bellas, Metropolitan State University

Discussants:

- 1 Jerome Dumortier, Iowa State University
- 2 Payal Shah, University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign
- 3 Shigeharu Okajima, Ohio State University
- 4 Huizhong Zhou, Western Michigan University

Friday, March 20, 3:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Session 4a: Environmental Economics

Chair: Brian L. Scott, Washington College

- 1 *“Formation of Statistics of a Surrounding Environment on United Nations Organization Principles”*
Kuralai Belgibaeva, Kazakh-British Technical University
- 3 *“Bridging Legal and Economic Perspectives on Interstate Municipal Solid Waste Disposal”*
Jeffrey Wagner, Rochester Institute of Technology
Christine Longo, Rochester Institute of Technology
- 4 *“Environmental Regulation and Integration of Production of Black and Green Energy”*
Huizhong Zhou, Western Michigan University
Meszaros Matyas Tamas, Western Michigan University

Discussants:

- 1 Brian L. Scott, Washington College
- 2 Tesa Leonce, Eastern Illinois University
- 3 Allen Bellas, Metropolitan State University
- 4 Luiz Freitas, University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign

Friday, March 20, 3:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Session 4b: Uncertainty and Expectations

Chair: Dandan Liu, Kent State University

- 1 *“The Impact of Announcements and Forward Guidance on Federal Funds Futures”*
Brent Bundick, Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City
Troy Davig, Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City
- 2 *“Respecification of Affine Term Structure Models: The Linkage to Principle Components”*
Ting Huang, University of Pittsburgh
- 3 *“Monetary Shocks and the Asymmetric Bond Market Reactions: Evidence from the Narrative Approach to Shock Identification”*
Chin-Wen Huang, City University of New York
- 4 *“Expectational Interactions on Inflation Expectations”*
Man Chiu Wong, University of San Francisco
Jim Granatoa, University of Houston
Melody Lo, University of Texas at San Antonio

Discussants:

- 1 Dandan Liu, Kent State University
- 2 Yaya Sissoko, Indiana University of Pennsylvania
- 3 Olena Mykhaylova, University of Richmond
- 4 Sourav Batabyal, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Friday, March 20, 3:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Session 4c: Institutions and Growth

Chair: Francisca Richter, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland

- 1 *“Cultural Dimensions as Determinants of Economic Growth”*
Gustavo Barboza, Clarion University of Pennsylvania
- 2 *“Determinants of Efficiency in Least Developing Countries: Do Institutions Matter?”*
Hasan Faruq, Xavier University

- David Yi, Xavier University
Seongho Song, University of Cincinnati
- 3 *“Reinterpreting the Relationship between Social Cohesion, Institutions, and Economic Growth”*
Lauren Heller, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill
 - 4 *“The Effect of Institutions on Economic Growth in Asia”*
Dongwoo Yoo, Ohio State University
Richard Steckel, Ohio State University

Discussants:

- 1 Kevin J. Bowman, Augsburg College
- 2 Ariaster B. Chimeli, Ohio State University
- 3 Gustavo Barboza, Clarion University of Pennsylvania
- 4 Lauren Heller, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill

Friday, March 20, 3:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Session 4d: Auctions

Chair: Jie Du, J.D. Power and Associates

- 1 *“On the Pricing Rule in Electronic Auctions”*
Brent Hickman, University of Iowa
- 2 *“Determining the Final Price in Online Auctions: The Role of Information in eBay Auctions”*
Mark E. McBride, Miami University
Yiyang Liu, University of Maryland
- 3 *“An Experimental Investigation of Auction Fever”*
Peter McGee, Ohio State University

Discussants:

- 1 TBA
- 2 Dmitry Lubensky, University of Michigan
- 3 Brent Hickman, University of Iowa

Friday, March 20, 3:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Session 4e: Currency Unions and Coordination

Chair: Slavi Slavov, Pomona College

- 1 *“Currency Substitution in Selected African Countries”*
Assande Adom, Eastern Illinois University
Subhash C. Sharma, Southern Illinois University
- 2 *“Should the GCC form a Currency Union?”*
Sami Alabdulwahab, Eastern Illinois University
- 3 *“What is the Impact of Currency Unions on FDI flows? Evidence from Eurozone Countries”*
Kyriacos Aristotelous, Otterbein College
Stilianos Fountas, University of Macedonia
- 4 *“The Macroeconomic Environment, Financial Development, Technology and Growth: Evidence from the Accession to the EU”*
Andrey Zagorchev, Lehigh University
Youngsoo Bae, Lehigh University
Geraldo Vasconcellos, Lehigh University

Discussants:

- 1 Slavi Slavov, Pomona College
- 2 David Amdur, Georgetown University
- 3 Hong Zhuang, Indiana University-South Bend
- 4 Dong Vu, Georgetown University

Friday, March 20, 3:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Session 4f: Exchange Rate Theory

Chair: Kamal P. Upadhyaya, University of New Haven

- 1 *“Long Swings in Exchange Rates: Are They Still There, and Does the Market Know About Them?”*
Ruxandra Prodan, University of Houston
Alex Nikolsko-Rzhevskyy, University of Memphis
- 2 *“The Dynamic Relation between Stock Market Prices and Exchange Rates in Egypt, KSA & UAE”*
Gehan Saleh, Arab Academy for Science and Technology

Discussants:

- 1 Kamal P. Upadhyaya, University of New Haven
- 2 Veysel Ulusoy, University of Bahcesehir

Friday, March 20, 3:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Session 4g: Aspects of Asset Markets

Chair: Norman C. Miller, Miami University

- 1 *“Does Neural Network lead to better Hedge Fund Classification?”*
Nandita Das, Wilkes University
- 2 *“Market Transparency and Bid-ask Spread In the Foreign Exchange Market”*
Liang Ding, Macalester College
- 3 *“The Asymmetric Impact of Macroeconomic Fundamentals on Canadian Stock Market”*
Abdelmounaim Lahrech, Al Akhawayn University
- 4 *“Broad-Based Stock Options Program Adoption: Adopters v.s. Non-adopters”*
Yu Peng Lin, Texas A&M University-Kingsville

Discussants:

- 1 Saktinil Roy, Athabasca University
- 2 Norman C. Miller, Miami University
- 3 Catherine McDevitt, Central Michigan University
- 4 TBA

Friday, March 20, 3:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Session 4h: Public Policy: Intended and Unintended Consequences

Organized by Orgul D. Ozturk and Meta Brown

Chairs: Meta Brown, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

Orgul D. Ozturk, University of South Carolina

- 1 *“Family Law Effects on Fertility, Child Investment, Divorce and Spouses’s Welfare”*
Meta Brown, Federal Reserve Bank of New York
Christopher Flinn, New York University
- 2 *“Obesity and Food Stamps”*
Tim Classen, Loyola University
Hau Chyi
Orgul D. Ozturk, University of South Carolina
- 3 *“The Effects of Job Coaching on the Employment of individuals with Mental Retardation: Could Cream Skimming Help?”*
Orgul Demet Ozturk, University of South Carolina
Melayne McInnes, Suzanne McDermott, Joshua Mann
- 4 *“Job Lock and the Role of Public Health Insurance during Employment Transitions”*
Matthew Kim, University of St. Thomas
Sarah Hamersma, University of Florida

Discussants:

- 1 Matthew Henry, Cleveland State University
- 2 Vasilios Kosteas, Cleveland State University
- 3 Murat Tasci, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland
- 4 Murat Tasci, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland

Friday, March 20, 3:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Session 4i: Poverty

Chair: Chris Bollinger, University of Kentucky

- 1 *“Objective versus Subjective Poverty: Relative Deprivation Matters”*
Carolina Castilla, Ohio State University
- 2 *“Johnson’s War on Poverty and the 1960s Riots: An Investigation into the Relationship between Community Action Agencies and the Riots”*
Robert Gillezeau, University of Michigan
- 3 *“How Costly is Welfare Stigma? Separating Psychological Costs from Time Costs”*
Kevin Mumford, Purdue University
Colleen F. Manchester, Carlson School of Management

Discussants:

- 1 Chris Bollinger, University of Kentucky
- 2 Todd Neumann, University of California Merced
- 3 Bhaskar Toodi, Louisiana Dept of Health and Hospitals

Friday, March 20, 3:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Session 4j: CSWEP: Gender, Education and Labor Markets

Organized by Anna Paulson, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago

Chair: Mary Hamman, Michigan State University

- 1 *“Making Time for Well-Baby Care: the Effect of Maternal Employment and Paid and Unpaid Time Off”*
Mary Hamman, Michigan State University
- 2 *“Do Female Faculty Influence Female Students’ Choice of Undergraduate Major?”*
Basit Zafar, Federal Reserve Bank of New York
Yi Qian, Northwestern University

Discussants:

- 1 Yee Fee Chia, Cleveland State University
- 2 Ye Zhang, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis

Friday, March 20, 3:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Session 4k: Urban Crime and Conflict

Chair: Donald R. Williams, Kent State University

- 1 *“The Impact of Living Wage Ordinances on Urban Crime Rates”*
Jose Fernandez, University of Louisville
John V. Pepper, University of Virginia
- 2 *“Racial Fractionalization Growth in U.S. Cities - A Dynamic View”*
Sreenath Majumder, University of Houston

Discussants:

- 1 Andrew Hanson, Georgia State University
- 2 Donald R. Williams, Kent State University

Friday, March 20, 5:15 p.m.-6:15 p.m.

C. Woody Thompson Lecture

“Trade and Labor Market Outcomes”

Elhanan Helpman,

Friday, March 20, 6:15 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

CWT Reception

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Saturday, March 21, 7:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Registration

Saturday, March 21, 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Vendor Exhibits

Saturday, March 21, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 5a: Teaching and Schooling

Chair: Frederick Tiffany, Wittenberg University

- 1 *“Group Presentations without Free-riders”*
Katrina Davis, Indiana State University
- 2 *“Measuring the Impact of a University First-Year Experience Program on Student GPA and Retention”*
Eric Jamelske, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire
- 3 *“Midterm Achievements and Student Evaluations of Teaching”*
Tin-Chun Lin, Indiana University Northwest
- 4 *“Timing of Introductory Social Science Courses and Student Grades”*
Darin R. Wohlgemuth, Iowa State University
Murali Kuchibhotla, Iowa State University
Arne Hallam, Iowa State University

Discussants:

- 1 Jaishankar Raman, Valparaiso University
- 2 Sarinda Taengnoi, University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh
- 3 Kerry King, Penn State University-Erie
- 4 Felix Kwan, Maryville University in St. Louis

Saturday, March 21, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 5b: Latin America

Chair: David Yi, Xavier University

- 1 *“Prohibition and the Supply of Brazilian Mahogany”*
Ariaster Chimeli, Ohio University
Roy G. Boyd, Ohio University
- 2 *“Does Tourism Promote Economic Growth? Evidence from Latin American Countries”*
Bichaka Fayissa, Middle Tennessee State University
Christian Nsiah, Black Hills State University
Bedassa Tadesse, University of Minnesota - Duluth
- 3 *“Child Labor and Economic Growth in Latin America”*
Sandra Trejos, Clarion University of Pennsylvania

Discussants:

- 1 Jordan Suter, Oberlin College
- 2 David Yi, Xavier University
- 3 Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong, University of South Florida

Saturday, March 21, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 5c: Regional Growth and Trade

Chair: Roger White, Franklin & Marshall College

- 1 *“Idea Generation in U.S. States: Who Has the Advantage?”*
Nivedita Mukherji, Oakland University
Jonathan Silberman, Oakland University
- 2 *“Do Urban Growth Controls Hurt Regional Economic Growth?”*
Laudo M. Ogura, Grand Valley State University
Boaz Nandwa, American University
- 3 *“Does Cultural Distance Influence US Intra-industry Trade?”*
Roger White, Franklin & Marshall College

Discussants:

- 1 Parker Wheatley, College of St. Benedict/St. John's University
- 2 Laura Atuesta, University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign
- 3 Rahul Mukherjee, University of Michigan

Saturday, March 21, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 5d: Games, Experiments, and Theory

Chair: Aaron Lowen, Grand Valley State University

- 1 *“Testing the Alchian and Allen ‘Shipping the Good Apples Out’ Theorem”*
Steven A. Cobb, Xavier University
Doug Olberding, Xavier University
- 2 *“Gender and Risk Aversion: A Natural Experiment Using Jeopardy!”*
Charles Reback, University of South Carolina-Upstate
- 3 *“Consumer Response to New Jersey Lottery Pick 3 Green Ball and Pick 4 Red Ball Lottery Promotions”*
John A. Spry, University of St Thomas

Discussants:

- 1 Aaron Lowen, Grand Valley State University
- 2 Marie Truesdell, Marian College
- 3 Shuo Chen, SUNY Geneseo

Saturday, March 21, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 5e: Empirical Macroeconomics

Chair: Mohammad Saif Mehkari, Ohio State University

- 1 *“DSGE Model with Habits: An Empirical Investigation”*

Natalia Khorunzhina, University of Pittsburgh

- 2 “*Forecasting Economic Aggregates: Gain from Disaggregating*”
Dandan Liu, Kent State University
Dennis Jansen, Texas A&M University

Discussants:

- 1 Yi-Chan Tsai, Ohio State University
- 2 Li Li, Wayne State University

Saturday, March 21, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 5f: Foreign Direct Investment

Chair: Simran K. Kahai, John Carroll University

- 1 “*Does the Worldwide Shift of FDI from Manufacturing to Services Accelerate Economic Growth? A GMM Estimation Study*”
Nadia Doytch, University of New Haven
Merih Uctum, City University of New York
- 2 “*Does FDI Affect Public Infrastructure Spending? Evidence from the U.S.*”
Hong Zhuang, Indiana University-South Bend
- 3 “*The Relationship Between Trade, Foreign Direct Investment and Economic Growth: Evidence from South Asia*”
Gyan Pradhan, Westminster College
Dharmendra Dhakal, Tennessee State University
Kamal P. Upadhyaya, University of New Haven
- 4 “*Export Diversification: Does Foreign Direct Investment Help?*”
Elias K. Shukralla, Siena College
Bedassa Tadesse, University of Minnesota-Duluth

Discussants:

- 1 Kyriacos Aristotelous, Otterbein College
- 2 Deepraj Mukherjee, University of Memphis
- 3 Diego Mendez-Carbajo, Illinois Wesleyan University
- 4 Tamon Asonuma, Boston University

Saturday, March 21, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 5g: Asset Interdependence

Chair: Chin-Wen Huang, City University of New York

- 1 “*On the Nonlinear Causality Between Stock Returns, Inflation and and Inflation Uncertainty in G3 Countries*”
Esin Cakan, University of New Haven
- 2 “*Currency Crises and Exchange Market Pressure – Contagion, Trade and Geography*”
John Dogbey, West Virginia University
- 3 “*Modeling the Dependence of Asian Stock Markets and Currency Exchange with Copula-Based Semiparametric Approaches*”
Chun-Pin Hsu, City University of New York

Discussants:

- 1 James S. O’Carroll, Georgetown University
- 2 Fatih Macit, Georgetown University
- 3 Gehan Saleh, Arab Academy for Science and Technology

Saturday, March 21, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 5h: Taxation

Chair: Sara LaLumia, Williams College

- 1 “*The Persistence of Tax Refunds: Evidence from Panel Data*”
Sara LaLumia, Williams College
- 2 “*Are Notches Good Tax Policy? Evidence from the Saver’s Credit*”
Shanthi Ramnath, University of Michigan
- 3 “*Nominal Bracket Creep and Labor Supply in the 1970s*”
William Segal, University of Michigan
- 4 “*The Incidence of Tobacco Taxation: Evidence from Geographic Micro-Level Data*”
Ryan Sullivan, Syracuse University
Andrew Hanson, Georgia State University

Discussants:

- 1 Souren Soumbatiants, Franklin University
- 2 Peter G. VanderHart, Bowling Green State University
- 3 Cara McDaniel, Kenyon College
- 4 M. Kevin McGee, University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh

Saturday, March 21, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 5i: Competition and Performance

Chair: TBA

- 1 *“Endogenous Firm and Information Rent under Demand Uncertainty”*
Yanfei Li, Nanyang Technological University
Yao Shuntian, Nanyang Technological University
Chia Wai Mun, Nanyang Technological University
- 2 *“Multimarket Exit, Strategic Merger, and Collusion”*
Zhiyong Liu, Georgia State University
- 3 *“Conditional Supervision and Optimal Supervision”*
Alfredo Burlando, Boston University

Discussants:

- 1 TBA
- 2 Alfredo Burlando, Boston University
- 3 Zhiyong Liu, Georgia State University

Saturday, March 21, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 5j: Incentives and Migration

Chair: Robert Gitter, Ohio Wesleyan University

- 1 *“Incentive to Migrate: The Economic Forces behind Mexican Migration to the United States”*
Candace Flatt, Eastern Illinois University
- 2 *“Vietnamese Manicurists: Who are these immigrants displacing?”*
Kathy J. Krynski, Kenyon College
Maya N. Federman, Pitzer College
David E. Harrington, Kenyon College
- 3 *“Do Mexican Workers Return Home? Performance and Duration of Mexican Immigrants in the United States”*
Sandra Orozco, University of Pittsburgh

Discussants:

- 1 Serife Genc, University of Pittsburgh
- 2 Osborne Jackson, University of Michigan
- 3 Cristina Lira, University of Alabama

Saturday, March 21, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 5k: Health Insurance

Chair: Bhaskar Toodi, Louisiana Dept of Health and Hospitals

- 1 *“Employer-Provided Health Insurance and Labor Supply of Married Women”*
Merve Cebi, University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth
- 2 *“Health Insurance Cost and Premium Sharing”*
Francesco Renna, University of Akron
Vasilios D. Kosteas, Cleveland State University
- 3 *“Asymmetric Information and the Generosity of Employer-Sponsored Health Insurance”*
Matthew S. Rutledge, University of Michigan
- 4 *“U.S. Health Care: Private vs. Public Health Care Spending”*
Bhaskar Toodi, Louisiana Dept of Health and Hospitals
Carrie Jackson, Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals
Baifu Xu, Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals

Discussants:

- 1 Zoe McLaren, University of Michigan
- 2 D. Patrick Redmon, Xavier University
- 3 Laura Kawano, University of Michigan
- 4 Zeynep Isgor, University of Illinois at Chicago

Saturday, March 21, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 5I: Undergraduate Papers – Applied Microeconomics

Organized by Scott Drewianka

Chair: Scott Drewianka, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

- 1 *“Being Your Own Boss: How Does Risk Fit In?”*
Rachel Childers, Bowling Green State University
- 2 *“Premiums to College Five, Ten, and Fifteen Years after Graduation”*
Anthony Bradfield, University of Toledo
- 3 *“The Cost European Union Consumers Bear to Support Rural Dairy Farmers”*
Anne Doshier, University of South Dakota
- 4 *“Retirement Plan Incentives and Factors Leading to Premature Retirement”*
Fan Fei, University of Michigan

Discussants:

- 1 Donald R. Williams, Kent State University
- 2 Chris Bollinger, University of Kentucky
- 3 Hasan A. Faruq, Xavier University
- 4 Michael Seeborg, Illinois Wesleyan University

Saturday, March 21, 9:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m.

Coffee Break sponsored by

The Weatherhead School of Management, Case Western Reserve University

Saturday, March 21, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 6a: Learning and Education

Chair: Jaret Treber, Kenyon College

- 1 *“Cultivating Intentional Learners: How We Can Help Our Students Learn About Thinking and Think About Learning in Economics”*
Fahima Aziz, Hamline University
Karl Wirth, Macalester College
- 2 *“What Influence Does Mathematics Preparation Have On Performance in First Economics Classes?”*
Mary Ellen Benedict, Bowling Green State University
- 3 *“Measuring the Effects of Attendance on Student Performance in Large Sections of Principles of Economics”*
Chris Kauffman, Northern Michigan University
- 4 *“An Annotated Bibliography of Radio and TV News Stories for Microeconomics”*
Tod S. Porter, Youngstown State University

Discussants:

- 1 Tod S. Porter, Youngstown State University
- 2 Darin R. Wohlgemuth, Iowa State University
- 3 Peter McGee, Ohio State University
- 4 Richard Measell, Saint Mary’s College

Saturday, March 21, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 6b: Japan

Chair: John A. Spry, University of St Thomas

- 1 *“Economic Convergence and Structural Changes of Japan’s 46 prefectures during 1955-1995”*
Insang Hwang, International Christian University
Michiko Miyano, International Christian University
- 2 *“R&D Stages and Stock Price Reactions in the Japanese Market”*
Fumiko Takeda, University of Tokyo
Shohei Nagayama, University of Tokyo
- 3 *“Analysis of Energy Intensity in Japan”*
Shigeharu Okajima, Ohio State University
- 4 *“Auditor reputation and Stock Market Reactions in Japan: The Case of Kanebo and ChuoAoyama”*
Fumiko Takeda, University of Tokyo

Discussants:

- 1 Nabanita Nandi, State University of New York-Plattsburgh
- 2 John A. Spry, University of St Thomas
- 3 John Deal, Manchester College

4 Charles Reback, University of South Carolina-Upstate

Saturday, March 21, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 6c: Econometrics

Chair: TBA

- 1 *"Monte Carlo Simulations of the Nested Fixed Point Algorithm"*
Erik Johnson, University of Michigan
- 2 *"Inference for Subsets of Parameters in Partially Identified Models"*
Kyoo Il Kim, University of Minnesota
- 3 *"Robust GMM-type Estimation with Misspecified Moment Conditions"*
Jungick Lee, Ohio State University
Robert de Jong, Ohio State University
- 4 *"A Bayesian Analysis of Binary Misclassification: Inference in Partially Identified Models"*
Chris Bollinger, University of Kentucky

Discussants:

- 1 Fatma Serttas, Iowa State University
- 2 Carolina Castilla, Ohio State University
- 3 Breno Neri, New York University
- 4 TBA

Saturday, March 21, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 6d: Inequality and Mobility

Chair: Sandra Trejos, Clarion University of Pennsylvania

- 1 *"Transitory Earnings Shocks and the Estimation of Intergenerational Earnings Mobility"*
Murat Mercan, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
- 2 *"Family-specific Intergenerational Income Mobility"*
Irina Murtazashvili, University of Pittsburgh
- 3 *"Does a Rising Tide Lift All the Boats? Factors behind the Inequality of Well-being within Nations"*
Tomi Ovaska, Youngstown State University
Ryo Takashima, Washington & Jefferson College

Discussants:

- 1 Bryan Engelhardt, College of the Holy Cross
- 2 Nicolas Ziebarth, Northwestern University
- 3 Sandra Trejos, Clarion University of Pennsylvania

Saturday, March 21, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 6e: Macro Shocks and Friction

Chair: James Payne, Illinois State University

- 1 *"Markups, Dynamic Demand Curves, News Shocks, and Business Cycles"*
Mohammad Saif Mehkari, Ohio State University
- 2 *"News Shocks and Learning-by-doing"*
Hammad Qureshi, Ohio State University
- 3 *"Can Sticky Information Solve Comovement Problems in Two-Sector Model with Durable Goods?"*
Tamon Takamura, Ohio State University
Tomiyuki Kitamura, Bank of Japan
- 4 *"What do Working Capital Channel and Habit Tell Us about the Co-movement Problem?"*
Yi-Chan Tsai, Ohio State University

Discussants:

- 1 Natasha Che, Georgetown University
- 2 Suvayan De, West Virginia State University
- 3 Nivedita Mukherji, Oakland University
- 4 Natalia Khorunzhina, University of Pittsburgh

Saturday, March 21, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 6f: Contagion and Default

Chair: John Dogbey, West Virginia University

- 1 *"Sovereign Default and Negotiation: Endogenous Recovery Rates, Interest Rate Spreads, and Credit Ratings"*
Tamon Asonuma, Boston University

- 2 “*Structural Current Account Imbalances: Fixed versus Flexible Exchange Rates?*”
Slavi Slavov, Pomona College
- 3 “*The Impact of the ASEAN Purchases of US Treasuries on the Dollar/ASEAN Exchange Rate*”
Rolando A. Santos, Lakeland Community College
Dene Tintun Hurley, CUNY-Lehman College

Discussants:

- 1 TBA
- 2 Rolando A. Santos, Lakeland Community College
- 3 Dipak Ghosh, Emporia State University

Saturday, March 21, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 6g: Asset Prices and Yields

Chair: Jui-Chi Huang, Penn State Berks

- 1 “*A Robust Model of Bubbles with Multidimensional Uncertainty*”
Antonio Doblas-Madrid, Michigan State University
- 2 “*International Portfolio Allocation with Imperfect Corporate Governance*”
Rahul Mukherjee, University of Michigan
- 3 “*Asset Price Movements Prior to Sudden Stops*”
James S. O’Carroll, Georgetown University

Discussants:

- 1 Esin Cakan, University of New Haven
- 2 Nandita Das, Wilkes University
- 3 Liang Ding, Macalester College

Saturday, March 21, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 6h: Taxes, Subsidies, and Environmental Economics

Chair: Jeffrey Wagner, Rochester Institute of Technology

- 1 “*Multilateral Reform of Abatement Subsidies: A General Analysis*”
Luis Gautier, Southern Illinois University-Carbondale
- 2 “*The Effects of the Ethanol Subsidy on Corn Prices and the CPI Food Index*”
Darin Jensen, Eastern Michigan University
- 3 “*The Effects of Tax Liability on Oil and Gas Leasing*”
Owen Kearney, University of Michigan
- 4 “*Experiments on Nonpoint Source Pollution Regulation with Dynamic Taxes*”
Jordan Suter, Oberlin College
Christian A. Vossler, University of Tennessee
Gregory L. Poe, Cornell University

Discussants:

- 1 Andrew Samuel, Loyola-Baltimore
- 2 Jeffrey Wagner, Rochester Institute of Technology
- 3 Fungisai Nota, Wartburg College
- 4 Debra Israel, Indiana State University

Saturday, March 21, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 6i: Economics of Education

Chair: Benjamin Passty, AERI, University of Cincinnati

- 1 “*The Wisconsin Covenant: A Closer Look at Participants, Access, and Redistribution in Higher Education*”
Kathryn Birkeland, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse
Jo Arney, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse
- 2 “*An Analysis of the Performance of Michigan Charter Schools*”
Oded Izraeli, Oakland University
Kevin Murphy, Oakland University
- 3 “*Effects on High School Students of Participation in Career and Technical Education*”
Tamkeen Khan, University of Illinois at Chicago
Helen Roberts, University of Illinois at Chicago
- 4 “*Charter versus Traditional Public Schools: a Comparison of Technical Efficiency in Ohio*”
Kerry King, Penn State University-Erie

Discussants:

- 1 Sara LaLumia, Williams College
- 2 Michael Wenz, Winona State University
- 3 Chi-Lei Lau, Michigan State University
- 4 Subhra Saha, Cleveland State University

Saturday, March 21, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 6j: Labor Heterogeneity

Chair: Lynn A. Smith, Clarion University

- 1 *"Specificity of Human Capital and European Unemployment"*
Murat Tasci, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland
- 2 *"The Structural Foundation of the Skilled Contingent Labor Market: Trading Reliant Professionalism"*
Ali Rassuli, Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne
- 3 *"Right to Work and Atypical Work"*
Christopher Surfield, Saginaw Valley State University
- 4 *"New Observations Regarding Heterogeneity, Sorting, and the Inter-industry Wage Differential"*
Mark R. Kurt, Elon University

Discussants:

- 1 Lynn A. Smith, Clarion University
- 2 Kathy J. Krynski, Kenyon College
- 3 Shawn Moulton, University of Notre Dame
- 4 TBA

Saturday, March 21, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 6k: Health Policies and Spending

Chair: Bichaka Fayissa, Middle Tennessee State University

- 1 *"Estimating the Costs Associated with Creating and Maintaining Core Data Infrastructure for the Indiana Network for Patient Care"*
Megha Bansal, Indiana University Purdue University-Indianapolis
John Kansaky; Wendy Morrison; Shaun Grannis
- 2 *"Analysis of Health Expenditures Trends among OECD Countries"*
Kang-Sun Lee, Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals
Baifu Xu, Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals
Bhaskar Toodi, Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals
- 3 *"Short-Run Dynamics in Health Care Expenditures for Emerging and Developed Countries: How different are we?"*
Edmundo Reyes, Wayne State University
- 4 *"Personal Health Care Expenditures Trends by State"*
Bhaskar Toodi, Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals
Ucheoma Nwagbara, Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals
Kang-Sun Lee, Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals

Discussants:

- 1 Shruti Kapoor, University of California, Riverside
- 2 Francesco Renna, University of Akron
- 3 Ryan Sullivan, Syracuse University
- 4 Lenisa Vangjel, Michigan State University

Saturday, March 21, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 6l: Undergraduate Session – Psychology and Economic Outcomes

Organized by Scott Drewianka

Chair: Scott Drewianka, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

- 1 *"Behavioral Economics: Power, Gender and Group Decision-Making"*
Katherine Crockett, Lake Forest College
- 2 *"Cognitive Skills, Screening for Job Matches, and a Competing Risk: Model of Quits versus Discharges among Truckers"*
Nicole Dobmeier, University of Minnesota-Morris
- 3 *"An Econometric Analysis of English Proficiency and Income for Hispanic Immigrants"*
Katherine Hovde, Augsburg College
- 4 *"Experiments in Asymmetric Mixed Strategy Games: Variations on Matching Pennies"*

Alex Morley, University of South Dakota

Discussants:

- 1 Joyce Chen, Ohio State University
- 2 Steffen Habermalz, Northwestern University
- 3 Michael Seeborg, Illinois Wesleyan University
- 4 Frederick Tiffany, Wittenberg University

Saturday, March 21, 1:15 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Session 7a: Teaching and Learning

Chair: Richard C. Schiming, Minnesota State University-Mankato

- 1 *“Learning Styles and the Production of Microeconomic Knowledge”*
John Deal, Manchester College
- 2 *“A Specialized Assessment Tool: Letters to Incoming Students”*
Felix Kwan, Maryville University in St. Louis
- 3 *“Pedagogical Improvements to Enhance Student Learning in Principles of Economics Classes”*
Jaishankar Raman, Valparaiso University

Discussants:

- 1 Eric Jamelske, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire
- 2 Arun Srinivasan, Indiana University Southeast
- 3 Fahima Aziz, Hamline University

Saturday, March 21, 1:15 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Session 7b: Puzzles in International Economics

Chair: Gyan Pradhan, Westminster College

- 1 *“Temporal Aggregation and Purchasing Power Parity Persistence”*
Yamin Ahmad, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater
William Craighead, Miami University
- 2 *“The Feldstein-Horioka Puzzle: An Empirical Examination for the G5 Nations”*
Dipak Ghosh, Emporia State University
Swarna (Bashu) Dutt, University of West Georgia
- 3 *“Interest Rate Expectations and Uncovered Interest Parity”*
Norman C. Miller, Miami University
George W. Davis, Miami University
Ruxandra Prodan, University of Houston

Discussants:

- 1 TBA
- 2 Marzieh Bolhassani, University of Wisconsin Colleges
- 3 Wen-Yao Wang, Texas A&M University - Galveston

Saturday, March 21, 1:15 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Session 7c: Time Series Econometrics

Chair: Saktinil Roy, Athabasca University

- 1 *“Heteroskedasticity in Fixed-Effects One-Way Error Component Models: Evaluating the Performance of Standard Tests”*
Carolina Castilla, Ohio State University
- 2 *“A Test for Strict Stationarity”*
Breno Neri, New York University
Nazgul Jenish, New York University
Luiz Renato Lima, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- 3 *“Residual-based Co-integration Tests with Infinite-Variance Errors: Simulation Analysis and Empirical Application”*
Fatma Serttas, Iowa State University
Helle Bunzel, Iowa State University
Barry Falk, James Madison University

Discussants:

- 1 Kyoo Il Kim, University of Minnesota
- 2 Zhixin Kang, University of North Carolina-Pembroke
- 3 Saktinil Roy, Athabasca University

Saturday, March 21, 1:15 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Session 7d: Risk, Uncertainty, and Regulation

Chair: Guhan Venkatu, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland

- 1 “*Rank-Ordering of Risk Preferences with Conventional and Discrete Measures*”
Joseph G. Eisenhauer, Wright State University
- 2 “*Regulation of Financial Markets in the Virtual World*”
Venkataramana Gajjala, Tiffin University
- 3 “*Twice Constrained Investment Under Uncertainty: A Mixed Time Model*”
M. Kevin McGee, University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh

Discussants:

- 1 Vinay Ramani, University of Michigan
- 2 Guhan Venkatu, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland
- 3 Collin Raymond, University of Michigan

Saturday, March 21, 1:15 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Session 7e: Macroeconomics

Chair: Margaret King, Cleveland State University

- 1 “*The Great Dissolution: Intangible Capital and Diverging Volatility Puzzle*”
Natasha Che, Georgetown University
- 2 “*Labor Market Institutions and Wage and Inflation Dynamics*”
Fatih Macit, Georgetown University

Discussants:

- 1 Alexander Ueberfeldt, Bank of Canada
- 2 Jungick Lee, Ohio State University

Saturday, March 21, 1:15 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Session 7f: China

Chair: Goran Skosples, Ohio Wesleyan University

- 1 “*Impacts of Privatization on Chinese Manufacturing Technical Inefficiency: A Bayesian Production Frontier Approach*”
Song Gao, Juniata College
- 3 “*China’s Systemic Transformation: A Concerted Re-Direction in Agricultural Reform*”
Victoria Mantzopoulos, University of Detroit Mercy
Raphael Shen, University of Detroit-Mercy

Discussants:

- 1 Goran Skosples, Ohio Wesleyan University
- 2 Stuart Glosser, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater
- 3 Hong Ma, University of California-Davis

Saturday, March 21, 1:15 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Session 7g: Banking

Chair: Lakshmi Balasubramanian, Indiana State University

- 1 “*Credit Union Membership and Use of Internet Banking Technology*”
H. Evren Damar, SUNY-Brockport
Lynn Hunnicutt, Pacific Lutheran University
- 3 “*Bank Liquidity and Excess Reserves during the Great Contraction: Evidence from the Central Money Market of New York City, 1929 to 1933*”
Patrick Van Horn, University of Michigan-Dearborn
- 4 “*The Nature and Location of “Fringe” Banks in Mississippi*”
Parker Wheatley, College of St. Benedict/St. John’s University

Discussants:

- 1 Hsing-Chien Kao, University of Illinois at Chicago
- 2 H. Evren Damar, SUNY-Brockport
- 3 Pete Soule, Park University
- 4 Peng Huang, Ripon College

Saturday, March 21, 1:15 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Session 7h: Midwestern Economics

Chair: John Navin, Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville

- 1 *“Spatial Effects in the Illinois Housing Market: Analysis of the Closing Home Price and Time on the Market”*
Laura Atuesta, University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign
- 2 *“The Impact of Falling Property Values on Illinois’ Multiplier-Based Property Tax System in Madison County Illinois”*
John C. Navin, Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville
Timothy S. Sullivan, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville
Warren W. Richards, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville
- 3 *“Will Riverboat Profits go up in Smoke?: The Effect of the Illinois State Smoking Ban on Casino Revenue”*
Warren Richards, Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville
John C. Navin, Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville
Timothy S. Sullivan, Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville
- 4 *“Casinos and Crime: A Panel Data Analysis of Michigan Counties”*
Philip Thompson, Central Michigan University
Gregory A. Falls

Discussants:

- 1 Owen Kearney, University of Michigan
- 2 Lloyd Ebright, University of Toledo
- 3 Usama Al-Qalawi, Southern Illinois University-Carbondale
- 4 Bienvenue Tien, University of Toledo

Saturday, March 21, 1:15 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Session 7i: Housing and Foreclosures

Chair: David B. Crary, Eastern Michigan University

- 1 *“Is it a Good Time to Buy a House? Leading Indicators of the Housing Market”*
Roberto Croce, Ohio State University
Donald Haurin, Ohio State University
- 2 *“Foreclosures in Cleveland”*
Robin A. Dubin, Case Western Reserve University
- 4 *“On the Determinants of House Value Volatility”*
Yu Zhou, Ohio State University

Discussants:

- 1 David B. Crary, Eastern Michigan University
- 2 Kuntala Bandyopadhyay, Ohio State University
- 3 Stephen Malpezzi, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- 4 A.J. Sumell, Youngstown State University

Saturday, March 21, 1:15 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Session 7j: Microeconomics of Labor Markets

Chair: Steffen Habermalz, Northwestern University

- 1 *“Skills, Problem Solving, and Collaboration Networks”*
Katharine Anderson, University of Michigan
- 2 *“Job Satisfaction and Promotions”*
Vasilios Kosteas, Cleveland State University
- 3 *“Status Concerns and Firm Profitability: Can a Firm Profit from the Competitive Nature of its Employees?”*
Abhijit Ramalingam, Indiana University
- 4 *“Sector-Specificity of Training”*
Nicolas Williams, University of Cincinnati

Discussants:

- 1 Chun-Pin Hsu, City University of New York
- 2 Brad Hershbein, University of Michigan
- 3 Michael Stevens, University of Michigan
- 4 Jesse Gregory, University of Michigan

Saturday, March 21, 1:15 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Session 7k: Teachers and Preachers

Chair: Matthew Kim, University of St. Thomas

- 1 “*A Joint Examination of Transnational Terrorism and Country Policies*”
Kathleen Deloughery, Ohio State University
- 2 “*How do Substitute Teachers Substitute? An Empirical Study of the Substitute Teacher Labor Market*”
Seth Gershenson, Michigan State University
- 3 “*Priests, Deacons and the Labor Supply Origin of the Sex Abuse Scandal*”
Eric J. Munshower, University of Dubuque
- 4 “*Education, Income, and Support for Suicide Bombing: Evidence from Six Muslim Countries*”
M. Najeeb Shafiq, Indiana University-Bloomington

Discussants:

- 1 Nasr El-Bahnasawy, Kent State University
- 2 Gerald Marschke, Harvard University
- 3 Sandra Orozco, University of Pittsburgh
- 4 Benjamin Anderson, Ohio State University

Saturday, March 21, 1:15 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Session 7I: Undergraduate Session – Development Economics

Organized by Scott Drewianka

Chair: Scott Drewianka, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

- 1 “*Economic Growth and Women’s Status*”
Amanda Funk, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire
- 2 “*Measuring Socially Just Development: The Difference Between Real GDP per Capita and the Human Development Index*”
Noah Gillespie, University of Toledo
- 3 “*Economic Freedom and Human Development: An Empirical Cross Country Study*”
Kristopher Snyder, Clarion University of Pennsylvania
- 4 “*What is Brewing in Your Latte? The Market Implications of Fair Trade Coffee*”
Erin Troland, University of Kentucky

Discussants:

- 1 Debra Israel, Indiana State University
- 2 Mark Montgomery, Grinnell College
- 3 Fabio Mendez, University of Arkansas
- 4 Peter Orazem, Iowa State University

Saturday, March 21, 3:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Session 8a: Teaching and Performance

Chair: Venkataramana Gajjala, Tiffin University

- 1 “*Can a Web-based Study Management Package Enhance Student Learning?*”
Stanley Keil, Ball State University
Abera Zegeye, Ball State University
Cliff Stone, Ball State University
- 2 “*Determinants of Homework Initiation for Web-based Activities in Economics: A Study of Procrastination*”
Richard C. Schiming, Minnesota State University-Mankato
- 3 “*Teaching and Assessing Student Achievement in Online Economics Courses*”
Pete Soule, Park University
- 4 “*Comparison of Academic Performance among different Learning Approaches (Audio, Visual and Kinesthetic) in Principle of Economics Course*”
Arun Srinivasan, Indiana University Southeast
Jon E. Bingham, Indiana University Southeast
Dagney Faulk, Ball State University

Discussants:

- 1 Mary Ellen Benedict, Bowling Green State University
- 2 Tin-Chun Lin, Indiana University Northwest
- 3 Sarah Jackson, Indiana University of Pennsylvania
- 4 Katrina Davis, Indiana State University

Saturday, March 21, 3:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Session 8b: Migration and Remittances in Mexico and Central America

Organized by Seth Gitter

Chair: Seth Gitter, Towson University

- 1 “*Gender Effects on International Migrant Remittance Levels: Evidence from Salvadoran Migrants in the United States*”
Amy Damon, Macalester College
- 2 “*Opportunity, Organics and Oportunidades: Secondary Education in Southern Mexican Coffee Farming Households*”
Seth Gitter, Towson University
Brad Barham, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Mercedes Callenes Mauricio, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Discussants:

- 1 Robert Gitter, Ohio Wesleyan University
- 2 Ayesha Enver, Ohio State University

*Saturday, March 21, 3:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m.***Session 8c: Education and Development in the Midwest**

Chair: Laudo M. Ogura, Grand Valley State University

- 1 “*The Relation Between Historic Preservation and Economic Growth in Ohio*”
Lloyd Ebright, University of Toledo
- 2 “*Does School Proximity Matter? Evidence from the Oshkosh Region*”
Peng Huang, Ripon College
Timothy Hess, Ripon College
- 3 “*The Distribution of the Tax Capacity and Spending of School Districts in Ohio*”
Tod S. Porter, Youngstown State University
- 4 “*Special Econometric Approach to the Study of the Stages of Economic Development in the Midwest*”
Bienvenue Tien, University of Toledo
Oleg Smirnov, University of Toledo

Discussants:

- 1 Brandeanna Allen, Middle Tennessee State University
- 2 Babatunde Abidoye, Iowa State University
- 3 Laudo M. Ogura, Grand Valley State University
- 4 Olga Sorokina, Boston College

*Saturday, March 21, 3:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m.***Session 8d: Prices and Costs in Product Markets**

Chair: Sy Sarkarat, West Virginia University-Parkersburg

- 1 “*The Efficiency of Electric Power Plants*”
Usama Al-Qalawi, Southern Illinois University-Carbondale
Subhash C. Sharma, Southern Illinois University
- 2 “*An Analysis of the Technological Structure of Refineries and Blenders*”
Juan Dominguez, ESPAE-Graduate School of Management
- 3 “*A Price Forecasting Analysis of the Used Vehicles Wholesale Market at the Segment Level*”
Li Li, Wayne State University
Jie Du, J.D. Power and Associates
Allen C. Goodman, Wayne State University

Discussants:

- 1 Insang Hwang, International Christian University
- 2 Minjung Park, University of Minnesota
- 4 Sy Sarkarat, West Virginia University-Parkersburg

*Saturday, March 21, 3:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m.***Session 8e: Firms in Economic Growth**

Chair: Fabio Mendez, University of Arkansas

- 1 “*Integral Neoclassical Economic Growth*”
Kevin J. Bowman, Augsburg College
- 2 “*Growth Effects of Sectoral Distribution of Cross-border Mergers and Acquisitions on Host Countries: a GMM Estimation*”
Nadia Doytch, University of New Haven

- 3 “*How Does Capital Liquidity Impact the Timing of Merger and Acquisition Waves? A Test of the Neoclassical Hypothesis*”

Raymond Johnson, Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville

Discussants:

- 1 Gloria Montez, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
 2 Gustavo Barboza, Clarion University of Pennsylvania
 3 Fumiko Takeda, University of Tokyo

Saturday, March 21, 3:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Session 8f: Microeconomics of International Trade

Chair: Marzieh Bolhassani, University of Wisconsin Colleges

- 1 “*The Extensive and Intensive Margins of Exports: the Role of Innovation*”
 Wei-Chih Chen, Michigan State University
 2 “*Product Quality and International Trade - Evidence from U.S. Microdata*”
 Antoine Gervais, University of Maryland
 3 “*Firm Sorting, Ownership and Product Scope: Evidence from Chinese Enterprises*”
 Hong Ma, University of California-Davis
 4 “*Foreign Ownership and Domestic Firm Globalization in an Emerging Economy: A Study with Indian Firms*”
 Deepraj Mukherjee, University of Memphis
 David Kemme, University of Memphis

Discussants:

- 1 Elias K. Shukralla, Siena College
 2 Katharine Anderson, University of Michigan
 3 Juyoung Cheong, University of Washington
 4 Somasree Dasgupta, Ohio State University

Saturday, March 21, 3:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Session 8g: Volatility

Chair: Zhixin Kang, University of North Carolina-Pembroke

- 1 “*Volatility Spillover Effects in Emerging MENA Markets*”
 Ahmed Abou-Zaid, Eastern Illinois University
 2 “*Does Volatility Proxy Matter in Evaluating Volatility Forecasting Models? An Empirical Study*”
 Zhixin Kang, University of North Carolina-Pembroke
 Rami Cooper Maysami, University of North Carolina-Pembroke
 3 “*Implied Volatility Skew and Hedging Strategy*”
 Hsing-Chien Kao, University of Illinois at Chicago
 Xiaowei Gong, University of Illinois at Chicago

Discussants:

- 1 Antonio Doblas-Madrid, Michigan State University
 2 TBA
 3 Song Gao, Juniata College

Saturday, March 21, 3:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Session 8h: Economics of Academic Labor Markets

Chair: Steffen Habermalz, Northwestern University

- 1 “*Incentives in Academia*”
 Gerald Marschke, Harvard University
 Pascal Courty, European University Institute
 2 “*Academic Salary Compression at Public Universities in Illinois*”
 Diego Mendez-Carbajo, Illinois Wesleyan University
 3 “*The Effect of Faculty Gender on the Gender Composition of Econ Majors*”
 Sarinda Taengnoi, University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh
 Paul Pieper, University of Illinois at Chicago

Discussants:

- 1 Steffen Habermalz, Northwestern University
 2 Mark R. Kurt, Elon University
 3 Ali Rassuli, Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne

Saturday, March 21, 3:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Session 8i: Economics of Higher Education

Chair: Oded Izraeli, Oakland University

- 1 *“Overeducation, Job Mobility, and Earnings Mobility among Holders of First Degrees in Israel”*
Aviad Tur-Sinai, Tel-Aviv University
Dmitri Romanov, Israel Central Bureau of Statistics
Galit Eizman, Bar-Ilan University
- 2 *“Academic Achievement and the College Major Earnings Differential”*
Neal Olitsky, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth
- 3 *“Youth Health Behaviors, Risk Perception and Educational Attainments”*
Ji Yan, Washington University
- 4 *“How do College Students Form and Revise Expectations About Major-Specific Outcomes?”*
Basit Zafar, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

Discussants:

- 1 Nicolas Williams, University of Cincinnati
- 2 Kazuhisa Matsuda, Ohio Northern University
- 3 M. Najeeb Shafiq, Indiana University-Bloomington
- 4 Murat Mercan, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Saturday, March 21, 3:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Session 8j: Economics of Immigration

Chair: Roger White, Franklin & Marshall College

- 1 *“Immigration Surplus in a DSGE framework”*
Serife Genc, University of Pittsburgh
- 2 *“Reexamining the Effect of Immigration on the Educational Attainment of Natives”*
Osborne Jackson, University of Michigan
- 3 *“Timing is Everything: Immigrant and Native Migration Dynamics in the U.S.”*
Thomas Murray, University of Notre Dame
Abigail Wozniak, University of Notre Dame
- 4 *“Distance Based Measures of Migration and Contemporaneous Returns”*
Patricia B. Reagan, Ohio State University

Discussants:

- 1 Roger White, Franklin & Marshall College
- 2 Demet Tunali, Rutgers University
- 3 Patricia B. Reagan, Ohio State University
- 4 Linda Bailey, City University of New York

Saturday, March 21, 3:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Session 8k: Economics and Sports

Chair: TBA

- 1 *“A Model of Optimal Dynamic Behavior as an Explanation for Suspicious Patterns in Basketball Results”*
Jesse Gregory, University of Michigan
- 2 *“The Effects of Coworker Heterogeneity on Firm-Level Output: Assessing the Impacts of Cultural and Language Diversity in the National Hockey League”*
Neil Longley, University of Massachusetts
Leo Kahane, California State University-East Bay
Robert Simmons, Lancaster University Business School
- 3 *“Selling Hoops: Experimental Evidence of Customer Discrimination in Willingness to Pay for Men’s and Women’s Basketball Tickets”*
Francisco Rosas, Iowa State University
Joseph Herriges, Iowa State University
Peter Orazem, Iowa State University

Discussants:

- 1 Christian Trudeau, University of Windsor
- 2 Yanfei Li, Nanyang Technological University
- 3 Miao Chi, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Saturday, March 21, 3:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Session 8I: Undergraduate Session – Macroeconomics**Organized by Scott Drewianka**

Chair: Scott Drewianka, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

- 1 “*A Closer Look at Global Food Prices*”
Jenny Cairns, Calvin College
- 2 “*Computer Proficiency and Economic Growth: Evidence from Cross-Country Regressions*”
Lawrence Jin, Cornell University
- 3 “*Framing Japanese Monetary Policy in the 1970s and 1980s for Contemporary Application in the United States*”
Anthony Truong, University of Minnesota
- 4 “*Dynamic Phillips Curve Revisited: An Error Correction Model*”
Yifan Zhao, Clarion University of Pennsylvania

Discussants:

- 1 Scott Drewianka, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
- 2 Bruce Weinberg, Ohio State University
- 3 Peter VanderHart, Bowling Green State University
- 4 James Payne, Illinois State University

*Saturday, March 21, 5:15 p.m.-6:15 p.m.***Presidential Lecture***“The Cultural Origins of Modern Economic Growth”*

Joel Mokyr, Robert H. Strotz Professor of Arts and Sciences
Professor of Economics and History, **Northwestern University**

*Saturday, March 21, 6:15 p.m.-7:00 p.m.***President’s Reception***Saturday, March 21, 6:15 p.m.-6:30 p.m.***MEA Annual Business Meeting**

All invited

*Sunday, March 22, 7:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.***Registration***Sunday, March 22, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.***Session 9a: Search**

Chair: Bruce A. Weinberg, Ohio State University

- 1 “*Efficient Labor Force Participation with Search and Bargaining*”
Bryan Engelhardt, College of the Holy Cross
David L. Fuller, Carnegie Mellon University
- 2 “*Wage Equality Policies and Endogenous Job Destruction in an Equilibrium Search Model With Discrimination*”
Jonathan Lanning, Albion College
- 3 “*Search with Temptation*”
Collin Raymond, University of Michigan
- 4 “*Rational Inattention and Employer Learning*”
Steffen Habermalz, Northwestern University

Discussants:

- 1 Kathleen Deloughery, Ohio State University
- 2 Bruce A. Weinberg, Ohio State University
- 3 Luis Serpa, University of Illinois at Chicago
- 4 Abhijit Ramalingam, Indiana University

*Sunday, March 22, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.***Session 9b: Free Trade and Networks**

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Sunday, March 22, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 9c: Industrial Organization

Chair: Emmanuel Dechenaux, Kent State University

- 1 “*An Estimable Model of Newspapers Political Endorsement Decisions*”
Fernanda Leite Lopez de Leon, Cornell University
- 2 “*Automatic User Contributions and Price Competition*”
Christian Trudeau, University of Windsor
- 3 “*Lighting a Fire in Funeral Markets: Does Buying Cremations Online Benefit Consumers?*”
David Harrington, Kenyon College
Jaret Treber, Kenyon College

Discussants:

- 1 Luis Gautier, Southern Illinois University-Carbondale
- 2 Emmanuel Dechenaux, Kent State University
- 3 Neil Longley, University of Massachusetts

Sunday, March 22, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 9d: Theory

Chair: Saktinil Roy, Athabasca University

- 1 “*Coral Games and the Core of Cores*”
James Bono, American University
- 3 “*Two-Dimensional comparison of Information Systems in Principal-Agent Models*”
Jia Xie, Indiana University

Discussants:

- 1 TBA
- 2 Jia Xie, Indiana University
- 3 James Bono, American University

Sunday, March 22, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 9e: Oil Prices and Oil Shocks

Chair: Yamin Ahmad, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater

- 1 “*Impact of Oil Prices on Output and Inflation in Latin America*”
Rabindra Bhandari, Westminster College
Pawel Mensz, University of New Haven
Gyan Pradhan, Westminster College
Kamal P. Upadhyaya, University of New Haven
- 2 “*Oil Shocks, Inflation Expectations, and the Lucas Critique*”
Suvayan De, West Virginia State University
Qiang Zhang, University of Leicester
- 3 “*U.S. Crude Oil Pricing: A VAR Exchange Rate Pass-Through Analysis*”
Jui-Chi Huang, Penn State Berks
Yaya Sissoko, Indiana University of Pennsylvania
- 4 “*Evaluating the Predictive Power of Oil Prices for Recessions*”
Chris Kauffman, Northern Michigan University
Jean Gauger

Discussants:

- 1 TBA
- 2 Yamin Ahmad, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater
- 3 John Dogbey, West Virginia University
- 4 Jui-Chi Huang, Penn State Berks

Sunday, March 22, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 9f: Advances in International Economics I

Chair: Wilfrid W. Csaplár, Jr., Bethany College

- 2 “*Tariff Policy, Increasing Returns and Endogenous Fluctuations*”
Yan Zhang, Shanghai Jiao-Tong University
Chen Yan, Shandong University
- 3 “*Foreign Direct Investment and Regional Trade Agreement: Endogeneity in a Dynamic Model Specification*”
Cristina Lira, University of Alabama

Byung-Ki Lee, Korea Economic Research Institute
Junsoo Lee, University of Alabama

Discussants:

- 1 Aberra Senbeta, Western Michigan University
- 2 Hyeon Park, University of Pittsburgh
- 2 Tomi Ovaska, Youngstown State University

Sunday, March 22, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 9g: The Foreclosure Crisis in Weak Market Cities

Organized by James Thomson and Francisca Richter

Chair: Alan Trethewey, Cuyahoga Community College

- 1 *“An Analysis of Foreclosure Rate Differentials in Soft Markets”*
Francisca Richter, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland
- 2 *“Foreclosure Empirics”*
Guhan Venkatu, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland
Tim Dunne, University of Oklahoma
- 3 *“The Effect of the Foreclosure Crisis on Home Prices”*
O. Emre Ergungor, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland

Discussants:

- 1 Subhra B. Saha, Cleveland State University
- 2 Robin Dubin, Case Western University
- 3 Alberto Ortiz, Oberlin College

Sunday, March 22, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 9h: Economics of Financial Aid

Chair: Frederick Tiffany, Wittenberg University

- 1 *“Family Income, Family Aid and College Choice”*
Sarah Jackson, Indiana University of Pennsylvania
- 2 *“A Time-Series Analysis of the Higher Education Enrollment Responsiveness of Tuition Price and Financial Aid”*
Kazuhiya Matsuda, Ohio Northern University
- 3 *“Credit Constraints in Demand for Education: Evidence from Survey Data”*
Olga Sorokina, Boston College

Discussants:

- 1 Ji Yan, Washington University
- 2 Kathryn Birkeland, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse
- 3 Yee Fei Chia, Cleveland State University

Sunday, March 22, 8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.

Session 9i: The Economics of Corruption I

Chair: Amy Damon, Macalester College

- 1 *“Impact of Mother’s Education on Child’s Development Direct Effects and Heterogeneities”*
Ishita Dey, SUNY-Buffalo
- 2 *“Analyzing the Effects of Parental Divorce on Children’s Outcomes during Adolescence: A Propensity-score Matching Approach”*
Debjani Kanjilal, University of Memphis
Andrew Hussey, University of Memphis
- 3 *“The Effect of Mothers’ Continuing Education and/or Vocational Training on the School-age Children’s Developmental Outcome”*
Liyun Wu, University of Michigan
- 4 *“Persistence in Labor Supply Effects of Graduating in a Recession: The Case of High School Women”*
Brad Hershbein, University of Michigan

Discussants:

- 1 Megha Bansal, Indiana University Purdue University-Indianapolis
- 2 Merve Cebi, University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth
- 3 Neal Olitsky, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth
- 4 Amy Damon, Macalester College

Sunday, March 22, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 10a: Wages and Human Capital

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Sunday, March 22, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 10b: Poverty and Development

Chair: Bichaka Fayissa, Middle Tennessee State University

- 1 “*A Quantitative Assessment of the Effect of Financial Development on Poverty in African Countries*”
Babatunde Abidoye, Iowa State University
Babajide Fowowe, University of Ibadan
- 2 “*Aid and Human Capital Formation in LDCs*”
Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong, University of South Florida
Elizabeth Asiedu, University of Kansas
- 3 “*Nicaraguan Microcredit Borrower Household Dynamics: a Panel Data Analysis*”
Soren Hauge, Ripon College
- 4 “*Does Foreign Aid Reduce Poverty?*”
Aberra Senbeta, Western Michigan University
Eskander Alvi, Western Michigan University

Discussants:

- 1 Simran K. Kahai, John Carroll University
- 2 Bichaka Fayissa, Middle Tennessee State University
- 3 Debjani Kanjilal, University of Memphis
- 4 Ahmed Abou-Zaid, Eastern Illinois University

Sunday, March 22, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 10c: Economic Geography

Chair: Stanley Keil, Ball State University

- 2 “*Geography and Innovation: Evidence from Nobel Laureates*”
Bruce A. Weinberg, Ohio State University
John C. Ham, University of Maryland

Discussants:

- 1 Chris Kauffman, Northern Michigan University
- 2 Yoonsoo Lee, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland

Sunday, March 22, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 10d: The Economics of Corruption II

Chair: Philip Thompson, Central Michigan University

- 1 “*Preemptive Corruption, Hold-Up and Repeated Interactions*”
Emmanuel Dechenaux, Kent State University
Andrew Samuel, Loyola College
- 2 “*Empirical Examination of the Determinants of Corruption: Panel Data Analysis*”
Nasr El-Bahnasawy, Kent State University
- 3 “*An Axiomatic Approach to the Measurement of Corruption: Theory and Applications*”
Fabio Mendez, University of Arkansas
James E. Foster, Vanderbilt University
Andrew W. Horowitz, University of Arkansas
- 4 “*Bribery and Technology: Does Technology Reduce Corruption?*”
Andrew Samuel, Loyola-Baltimore
Aaron Lowen, Grand Valley State University

Discussants:

- 1 TBA
- 2 Fernanda Leite Lopez de Leon, Cornell University
- 3 Philip Thompson, Central Michigan University
- 4 Joseph G. Eisenhauer, Wright State University

Sunday, March 22, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 10e: Taylor Rules and Inflation

Chair: TBA

- 1 *"Federal Funds and Market Interest Rates"*
David B. Crary, Eastern Michigan University
- 2 *"Comparing Inflationary expectations: Do the inflationary expectations implicit in the yield curve and the Taylor Rule coincide with each other?"*
Stuart Glosser, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater
Yamin Ahmed, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater
- 3 *"Inflation Targeting and the Sacrifice Ratio: The Effect of Monetary Policy Design"*
Demet Tunali, Rutgers University

Discussants:

- 1 Yan Zhang, Shanghai Jiao-Tong University
- 2 Rabindra Bhandari, Westminster College
- 3 Tamon Takamura, Ohio State University

Sunday, March 22, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 10f: Advances in International Economics II

Chair: Margaret King, Cleveland State University

- 1 *"The Impact of Third-Country Exchange Rate Risk on the Bilateral Trade: Evidence from commodity trade between the United States and Canada"*
Marzieh Bolhassani, University of Wisconsin Colleges
- 2 *"Free Trade Area and Welfare Change: Is a Bigger Trade Diversion More Detrimental"*
Juyoung Cheong, University of Washington
Kar-yiu Wong, University of Washington
- 3 *"Does Openness to International Trade Matter for Growth in Developing Countries?"*
Somasree Dasgupta, Ohio State University

Discussants:

- 1 TBA
- 2 Wei-Chih Chen, Michigan State University
- 3 Irina Murtazashvili, University of Pittsburgh

Sunday, March 22, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 10g: Economics of Immigrant Households

Chair: TBA

- 1 *"Examining Differential Effects of Family Structure on Child Outcomes Among Native and Immigrant Families: What Can We Learn?"*
Linda Bailey, City University of New York
- 2 *"Intermarriage and the Economic Assimilation of Immigrants in the United States"*
Miao Chi, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
- 3 *"Homeownership among Immigrants to U.S. and Australia. A Comparative Analysis"*
Luis Serpa, University of Illinois at Chicago
- 4 *"In Search of Missing Immigrant-Trade Links"*
Roger White, Franklin & Marshall College

Discussants:

- 1 Ishita Dey, SUNY-Buffalo
- 2 Thomas Murray, University of Notre Dame
- 3 Matthew S. Rutledge, University of Michigan
- 4 Kusum Mundra, Rutgers University-Newark

Sunday, March 22, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 10h: Dynamics of Consumption

Chair: TBA

- 1 *"Consumption Smoothing, Equivalence Scales, and Idiosyncratic Shocks: Evidence from a Quasi-Natural Experiment in Nicaragua"*
Benjamin Anderson, Ohio State University
- 2 *"Optimal Irrational Behavior"*
James Feigenbaum, University of Pittsburgh
- 3 *"Disentangling Intertemporal Substitution and Risk Aversion under the Expected Utility Theorem"*
Chi-Lei Lau, Michigan State University

- 4 “*Bounded Rationality and Lifecycle Consumption: A General Equilibrium Model with Short Term Planning*”
Hyeon Park, University of Pittsburgh

Discussants:

- 1 James Feigenbaum, University of Pittsburgh
2 TBA
3 TBA
4 James Feigenbaum, University of Pittsburgh

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**Session 10i: New Perspectives on Housing and Mortgage Market Fundamentals
Organized by Richard Todd, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis**

Chair: Richard Todd, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis

- 1 “*Land Use Regulation and Housing Values in the Minneapolis-St. Paul Metropolitan Area*”
Richard Todd, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis
Ronald J. Feldman, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis
Michael Grover, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis
Mark Lueck, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis
Laura Smith, Macalester College
- 2 “*Household Expenditures, Wages, and Rents*”
Morris Davis, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Francois Ortalo-Magne, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- 3 “*Price Dynamics: Demand Shocks, Supply Constraints, and Turning Points*”
Stephen Malpezzi, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Longping Liang, Fannie May
- 4 “*Does It Pay Not to Pay? An Empirical Model of Subprime Mortgage Default from 2000 to 2007*”
Minjung Park, University of Minnesota
Patrick Bajari, University of Minnesota
Sean Chu, Federal Reserve Board of Governors

Discussants:

- 1 Yu Zhou, Ohio State University
2 N. Edward Coulson, Pennsylvania State University
3 Roberto Croce, Ohio State University
4 Robin A. Dubin, Case Western Reserve University

Sunday, March 22, 10:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Session 10j: Households and Children

Chair: Meta Brown, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

- 1 “*The Effect of Child-Custody Legislation on the Child-Support Receipt of Single Mothers*”
Brandeanne Allen, Middle Tennessee State University
John M. Nunley, Middle Tennessee State University
Alan Seals, Oklahoma City University
- 2 “*Parental Choices and the Future of Children*”
Ari Kang, Carnegie Mellon University
- 3 “*Does Increased Funding for Homeless Programs Reduce Homelessness?*”
Shawn Moulton, University of Notre Dame
- 4 “*Unigeniture in an Uncertain World*”
Nicolas Ziebarth, Northwestern University
Paul L. E. Grieco, Northwestern University

Discussants:

- 1 Meta Brown, Federal Reserve Bank of New York
2 Liyun Wu, University of Michigan
3 Eric J. Munshower, University of Dubuque
4 James Bono, American University