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Departmental Seminars and Events

**Trade & Development Seminar** — TODAY — Rebecca Thornton, Associate Professor, Department of Economics, University of Illinois will be the next Trade & Development Seminar guest speaker, TODAY, 10:30-Noon in 230 Ruttan Hall. She will discuss "Making the Grade: Understanding What Works for Teaching and Scaling Up Literacy Programming in Rural Uganda" (Note room change)

**Agricultural & Applied Economics Seminar** — Per Pinstrup-Andersen, Cornell Professor Emeritus and World Food Prize Laureate will discuss "How Do Governments Respond to Food Price Volatility: A Political Economy Analysis" on Wednesday, October 28, Noon-1:30 pm in 119 Ruttan Hall.

Seminars in other Departments

**Stakman Borlaug Center Special Seminar** — TODAY — The Stakman Borlaug Center (SBC) for Sustainable Plant Health invites you to attend a Special Seminar "Purchase for Progress: Connecting Smallholder Farmers to Markets in Africa and Central America" by Ken Davies, Former Director of the UN World Food Program’s Purchase for Progress (P4P) Initiative, TODAY, 11:00am to 12:00pm, Borlaug Hall 491. (St. Paul campus)

**Minnesota Population Center** — Ben Capistrant, Assistant Professor, School of Public Health, U of MN will present "Demographic Shifts, Family Structure, and Elder Care in India" on Monday, October 26, 12:15-1:15 pm, MPC Seminar Room – 50 Willey Hall. (West Bank campus)

**Frontiers in the Environment Big Questions** — "How should we 'green' our most vulnerable communities?"— Bonnie Keeler, Lead Scientist, Natural Capital Project; Kate Derickson, Professor, College of Liberal Arts; Jenna Fletcher, Program Director, Trust for Public Land; Karen Monahan, Senior Organizer, Minnesota North Star Chapter, Sierra Club; and Kenya McKnight Ahad, Met Council Transportation Advisory Board, Wednesday, October 28, 12:00-1:00 pm, IonE Seminar Room R380, Learning & Environmental Sciences Bldg. WebEx address for online attendees: https://umn.webex.com/umn/onstage/g.php?d=749731945&t=a

**HPM Wednesday Seminars** — Jean Abraham, Associate Professor and Katie White, Assistant Professor, Division of Health Policy and Management, School of Public Health, U of MN will present "Understanding the Supply-Side of the Corporate Wellness Industry" on Wednesday, October 28, 12:15-1:30 pm in D199 Mayo Memorial Building.
Calendar

Today
• Trade & Development Seminar, Rebecca Thornton, 10:30, 230 Ruttan (note room change)
• Happy Hour, The Republic, 4:00 pm

October 28
• Agricultural & Applied Economics Seminar, Per Pinstrup-Andersen, Noon, 119 Ruttan

October 30
• Happy Hour in Waite Library @ 4:30 pm

Opportunities

Call for Submissions, H2D2 Research Day — The Economics Department at the University of Michigan will be hosting the second H2D2 "Research Day" on December 5, 2015. Faculty and students are invited to submit papers. It is intended that this mini-conference will draw both faculty and student attendees from the University of Michigan as well as from the greater mid-west and Canada. The conference will focus on the subfields of health, history, demography and family economics, broadly defined. Papers and extended abstracts can be submitted at latest by October 23, 2015. Additional details regarding the conference and instructions for paper submission can be found online. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the coordinators at h2d2.university.of.michigan@gmail.com.

Departmental Publications

King, Elizabeth; Cavender-Bares, Jeannine M.; Balvanera, Patricia; Mwampamba, Tuyeni Heita; Polasky, Stephen A. "Trade-offs in ecosystem services and varying stakeholder preferences: Evaluating conflicts, obstacles, and opportunities." IN: Ecology and Society, v.20, no.3., September 2015, DOI: 10.5751/ES-07822-200325. Available online


Jobs

Assistant Professor — The School of Economics (SOE) at the University of Maine (UMaine) is seeking an Assistant Professor of Health Economics & Policy with an interest in the links between the environment and human health. This full-time, academic-year, tenure-track, 50% teaching/50% research position is located fully in SOE and part of a hiring cluster to increase capacity in health-related research and teaching. Application deadline: November 1, 2015. A complete position announcement is available online.

Assistant Professor — The Department of Economics at Universidad de los Andes in Bogotá, Colombia, invites applications for a tenure-track position at the rank of Assistant Professor level beginning in Fall 2016 (any field). Outstanding senior applicants will also be considered. Candidates must show promise of outstanding
scholarly achievement and have earned a Ph.D. degree by the appointment start date or shortly thereafter. All appointees are expected to engage in research and to teach at the undergraduate and graduate levels. Proficiency in Spanish is preferred; otherwise, some basic knowledge and a commitment to learn the language are expected.

All applicants should submit a resume and at least one research paper, and should also arrange for submission of three letters of recommendation. We will begin reviewing applications on October 1st, 2015; the submission deadline is November 20. We will be interviewing candidates at the ASSA meetings in San Francisco. A complete position announcement is available on JOE (Jobs for Economists), id number 2015-02_111453447.