

Learn about what's happening now in the Department of Applied Economics.

Is this email not displaying correctly?  
[View it in your browser.](#)



## Marginal Memos

Volume 58, Number 19; April 29, 2016  
Editor: Sadie Brendalen, [will1945@umn.edu](mailto:will1945@umn.edu)

### Announcement

#### **Congratulations to our Award Winners!**

Professor Tade Okediji, who received the CFANS Distinguished Teaching Award: Undergraduate Faculty and Jason Kerwin, who received the Population Association of America's distinguished Dorothy S. Thomas Award! We are proud to call you our faculty!

#### **2016 Midwest International Economic Development Conference- REGISTRATION EXTENDED!**

The 2016 MIEDC, hosted at McNamara Alumni Center May 6-7th, is creeping up on us! You can still register on the website until May 4th and walk-ins are welcomed this year but a heads-up to Sadie would be appreciated so she can coordinate catering needs. Visit the [website](#) to register. For more information, contact [Sadie Brendalen](#).

#### **ATTENTION STUDENTS: Prelim and Field Exam Information**

##### APEC Micro Prelim

We ask that you register to take the written Applied Economics micro preliminary exam to be held in June. Please email [apecdgs@umn.edu](mailto:apecdgs@umn.edu) by Friday, May 6th in order to sign up. If English is not your first language and you are requesting an extra half hour of time, please specify this in your reply for our record keeping.

The exam will be held on Friday, June 3rd in Ruttan Hall. 9:00-1:00 pm. Room T.B.A.

The basic format of the four hour exam will be four sections; each section will have two questions and you will be required to answer one of them in each section (for a total of four questions). The sections will correlate with the four mini courses in the APEC 8001-4 sequence, but there may be questions that span knowledge across the courses. Your readings, notes, class exams, and problem sets from each mini are your best guide for study preparation for the prelim.

If you have any further questions regarding the exam, please contact [apecdgs@umn.edu](mailto:apecdgs@umn.edu) for your inquiry and Gary Cooper will make sure to respond to your question or questions after consulting with Professor Smith.

##### June Field Exams

PhD Graduate Students:

Field exams will be scheduled during the last two weeks of June 2016 (June 20-30). If you plan on taking one of these exams, please e-mail which one you plan to pursue by Friday, May 13th.

Specific field exam dates will be scheduled once we get the list of student requests.

We intend to advertise all exam dates no later than Friday, May 20th to help you with appropriate planning and your respective summer schedules.

Exam offerings will include:

Consumer Behavior and Household Economics

Labor Economics

Policy Analysis

Production and Marketing Economics

Resource and Environmental Economics

Trade and Development Economics

We ask that you indicate in your reply which field classes and faculty you have had or are currently taking (with regards to the field exam you plan to take). Please only reply to the [apecdgs@umn.edu](mailto:apecdgs@umn.edu).

### **Mark Your Calendar: Retirement Celebration May 24**

Please join us as we celebrate the careers of Ben Senauer and Terry Roe on Tuesday, May 24 in Waite Library. More information and RSVP forthcoming.

### **PhD Dissertation Defense**

Aine Seitz McCarthy, PhD candidate, Department of Applied Economics will be defending her PhD thesis entitled, "The Microeconomics of Development in Tanzania," on Tuesday, May 3 at 3:30 in 230 Ruttan Hall.

### **Opportunities**

There is an open opportunity for a graduate students to work with USAID on researching questions on human rights and development issues. This opportunity is open to PhD students who have passed their qualifying exams. Use [this link](#) to apply online.

### **Departmental Seminars**

#### **Trade and Development Seminar**

*"Workfare and Human Capital Investment: Evidence From India"*

Manisha Shah, Associate Professor of Public Policy, Luskin School of Public Affairs, UCLA

Friday, April 29, 2016

10:30-12:00 p.m., 119 Ruttan Hall

#### **Environmental and Resource Economics Seminar**

*"Fish, Meet Trees: Estimating Heterogeneous Effects of Transferable Quota Management in Fisheries Using Machine Learning"*

Steve Miller, Assistant Professor, Department of Applied Economics, University of Minnesota

Monday, May 2, 2016

12:00-1:30 p.m., 230 Ruttan Hall

The most up-to-date seminar schedules can be located on the [Department of Applied Economics webpage](#).

### **Seminars in Other Departments**

#### **Minnesota Population Center- Inequality and Methods Workshop**

*"The effect of college selectivity on laterlife health and mortality: Evidence from the Wisconsin Longitudinal Study"*

Sarah Garcia, Sociology, University of Minnesota

Friday, April 29, 2016

12:15- 1:30 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

**Minnesota Population Center Seminar***"Well-being in Same-Sex Couples and Families"*

Wendy Manning, Department of Sociology, Bowling Green State University

Monday, May 2, 2016

12:15-1:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

**Conservation Biology Seminar***"Managing the future of the past: creative engagements with the heritage of change"*

David Harvey, Professor of Historical and Cultural Geography, University of Exeter (UK)

Monday, May 2, 2016

4:00-5:00 p.m., 335 Borlaug Hall

**Jobs****Professor (Half-Time)**

The Department of Economics at St. Catherine University is looking for a half-time professor to teach three courses in economics and statistics during the academic year. If you are interested, please [apply online](#) and [email](#) with any questions.

**Postdoctoral Position**

There is currently an opening for a postdoctoral position in Conservation Science at the National University of Singapore. This position focuses on the study of the impacts of international trade on the biodiversity and sustainability of tropical exporting countries. The postdoc will contribute to develop bioeconomic models to link land-use to global trade dynamics and biodiversity impacts and is expected to lead article writing. To apply, please send an email to [Dr. L. Roman Carrasco](#) with the following requirements: up-to-date CV, briefly stated research interests as they relate to the project and a description of past modelling experience and software platforms used. To learn more, [visit their website](#).

**Department Head and Professor**

The Department of Agricultural Economics, Sociology and Education (AESE) in the College of Agricultural Sciences at Penn State University is seeking a Professor and Head to provide intellectual and organizational leadership for AESE. The Head will lead faculty and staff in implementing and enhancing the Department's undergraduate and graduate education programs, Cooperative Extension and outreach initiatives, and guide and enhance the Department's research environment to meet the needs of stakeholders and sponsors. The Head is responsible for AESE's overall operations, including academic affairs, personnel, and finances. The successful candidate will have a demonstrated ability for highly effective administrative leadership and management of a multi-disciplinary, multi-function department.

[Click here for a complete position announcement](#)

Review of applications will begin on September 1, 2016.

**Assistant Professor**

The University of Neuchatel, Switzerland, invites applications for a position of Assistant Professor in Applied Macroeconomics. The successful candidate will teach in the Bachelor of Science in Economics programme and in the Master of Science in Economics, major in Economic Policy programme. He/she will show an interest in the analysis of contemporary macroeconomic policies and their implications. Fields of application will be diverse, with a preference for fiscal policy and debt issues. He/she will also supervise Master's and PhD theses. Applications should be uploaded onto [the website](#) (ref. FSE-MacroEcAppl) in the form of a single pdf file including a motivation letter, a CV documenting full teaching and research experience, a list of publications, teaching evaluations and copies of diplomas. The applicant is requested to ask three experts in the field to send letters of recommendation directly by electronic mail to the Head of the Hiring Committee, [Prof. Jean-Marie Grether](#)

---

*Copyright © 2016 Regents of the University of Minnesota, All rights reserved.*  
The University of Minnesota is an equal opportunity educator and employer.

**This message was sent from:**

Department of Applied Economics  
1994 Buford Avenue  
St. Paul, MN, 55108  
USA

[mass email privacy statement](#)