



## Marginal Memos

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### Announcements

Marginal Memos will continue as an abbreviated version over the next two weeks due to the lack of seminars and information during winter break. It will resume as usual following the New Year.

### Jobs

#### Economist

Teagasc is currently seeking a Senior Economist or Social Scientist to lead Rural Economy & Development. Teagasc is the agriculture and food development authority in Ireland. Its mission is to support science-based innovation in the agri-food sector and the broader bio-economy that will underpin profitability, competitiveness and sustainability. It carries out extensive research, advisory and education activities aimed at the Irish agri-food sector. Rural Economy & Development is one of four research and development programmes operated by Teagasc. The Head of Program is responsible for leadership, development and strategic management of the rural economic research and development program including economics and rural research, the National Farm Survey, economic benchmarking, farm business development and rural innovation activities. The role involves extensive liaison with policy makers, other state agencies, farm representative bodies and other rural organizations, and businesses operating in the agri-food sector. It also involves developing relevant relationships outside of Ireland in the EU and beyond. If you are interested in this position, contact [Anthony Carrig](#).

#### Assistant/Associate Professor

The University of Southern Maine is seeking applicants for a full time, tenure track position with teaching and scholarly expertise in the study of local, national, and/or global food systems. Possible academic fields include Sociology, Economics, Geography, Environmental Policy, Public Policy or a graduate interdisciplinary program in Food Studies. The faculty's appointment will be a joint appointment in Food Studies and Economics, with a primary commitment to the USM Food Studies Program but with support and mentoring from Economics and related faculty in the social sciences. The position is open to either a beginning assistant professor, an assistant professor with 2 or more years of full time faculty status or a beginning associate professor with commensurate experience. This faculty member will develop and teach both undergraduate and graduate courses. During her/his first two years, the successful candidate will define and complete an applied research project that supports sustainable development of Maine food systems. During this phase, the position has a 2-2 teaching load. Beginning in 2019-2020, this faculty member will transition to a 3-3 load with expectation for ongoing research. The first two years (2017-2018) are funded by MEIF funds. [Apply online.](#)

## Departmental Seminars

Seminars for the department have concluded for the Fall 2016 semester. Spring 2017 seminar information will be distributed as soon as possible.

## Departmental Publications

Hurley, T.M. "Shock and Awe Pest Management: Time for Change." *Choices* 31 (2016). [Available online.](#)

Hurley, Terrance M. "Slutsky, Let Me Introduce You to Arrow-Pratt: Competitive Price Effects with Uncertain Production." Staff Paper P16-07. St. Paul, Minn.: Dept. of Agricultural and Applied Economics, University of Minnesota, December 2016. [Available online.](#)

Hurley, Terrance M., Xudong Rao, and Philip G. Pardey. "Re-Examining the Reported Rates of Return to Food and Agricultural Research and Development: Reply." *American Journal of Agricultural Economics*, Advance Access, December 10, 2016. doi:10.1093/ajae/aaw079. [Available online.](#)

Smith, P.J., and E.S. Katovich "Are GMO Policies "Trade Related"? Empirical Analysis of Latin America." *Applied Economic Perspectives and Policy* (2016). Advance Access. [Available online.](#)

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