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Announcements

Welcome Jenni Patterson!

Jenni Patterson joined the Department on January 31 as the Education and Grant Coordinator of MCEE, and will engage in education and programming as well as grant writing and fund raising activities. For the past ten years, Jenni was with PYC Out of School Time Program, first as a teacher, then as a program coordinator, and most recently as an academic manager. Before joining PYC, Jenni was with the Minneapolis Public Schools for eight years. Jenni has a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology and Urban Education and a Master of Arts in Education, both from Hamline University. Please stop by room 116A to say hello and welcome her!

AAEA Mentorship Workshop

The mentorship workshop for Early Career Professionals will help participants in different aspects of their job, using experiences from those who are more seasoned in the field. Topics of interest include: Teaching, Service: Learning when to say "No", Grant Writing and Project Management, Work-Life Balance, Research and Publishing, Extension and Outreach, and more. This workshop will take place from May 31-June 1 in Vail, CO. [Learn more and register online.](#)

TFIC Luncheon

Kimberly Tam, Digital Marketing Specialist and Ag Food Business Management Alum will present, "Career: Unexpected" on Wednesday, March 1 at 11:30 a.m. in Room 202, St. Paul Student Center. As a digital marketer, Kim is responsible for formulating digital marketing strategies for healthcare and financial clients integrating SEO, paid search, content marketing, social media engagement, digital media, measurement and analysis. [Register online.](#)

Call for Papers

The first meetings of the Society of Household Economics will be held in San Diego on Sunday June 25 and Monday June 26. There will be parallel sessions and plenary sessions featuring Barry R. Chiswick, Daniela Del Boca, Michael Grossman, Charles Horioka, and Klaus Zimmermann. You may submit an extended abstract (max 1000 words) [online](#) for consideration by Wednesday, February 15. Authors of accepted abstracts will be notified by March 15. The full paper submission and registration deadline is April 15.

Call for Papers

The Center for Behavioral and Experimental Agri-environmental Research (CBEAR) will host a conference on Behavioral and Experimental Economics Methods and Applications to Agri-environmental Policy on October 14-15, 2017, in Shepherdstown, WV. This

conference will showcase experimental and behavioral economics research that addresses agri-environmental management and policy challenges. In addition to encouraging discussion and debate about theoretical and methodological advances, the conference aims to show how experimental and behavioral research can enhance the design and implementation of agri-environmental programs and policies. Find out more and submit your paper [online](#).

Jobs

Extension Economist

The Center for Farm Financial Management (CFFM) is seeking an Extension Economist to help develop and deliver educational programming and conduct scholarly research related to farm financial management, and to expand the entrepreneurial activities conducted within the organization. This individual must have a Master's degree in agricultural economics, applied economics, economics, finance, agricultural education, or a closely related field by the date of employment. More information and how to apply is [available online](#).

Graduate Research Assistant

The Minnesota Population Center at the University of Minnesota is recruiting graduate students to work on its U.S. or international demographic data resources. The students will work with social science data of various types, including census and survey data from the United States and other countries, historical census data, aggregate data or spatial data. They will interpret, edit and format technical documentation and analyze data in a statistical package, recording findings systematically. Some will help prepare data for distribution through MPC's data dissemination websites, including coding variables. To apply, use the University of Minnesota's online employment system and search job opening ID 315380. The cover letter should explain your interest in the position opening and highlight your relevant skills and abilities, while articulating any MPC projects in which you have a special interest.

Departmental Seminars

Agricultural and Applied Economics

"Panel Price Indices for Fresh Fruits and Vegetables and Implications for Policy"

Metin Cakir, Applied Economics, UMN

Wednesday, February 8

12:00 p.m., 119 Ruttan Hall

Trade and Development

"TBD"

Ragui Assaad, Humphrey School of Public Affairs, UMN

Friday, February 10

10:30 a.m., 119 Ruttan Hall

Seminars in Other Departments

Minnesota Population Center

"Understanding the Relationship Between Media and Use of the Affordable Care Act Marketplaces: Linking Media Market Exposures to the National Health Interview Survey"

Sarah Gollust, Health Policy and Management, UMN

Monday, February 6

12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

MPC Research Mixer

"Population Mobility and Spatial Demography"

Jack DeWaard, Sociology, UMN

Friday, February 3

12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

HPM

"We Don't Have a Plan. We Should Be Working On a Plan: Obstacles to Caregiver Transition Planning for Individuals with Fragile X Syndrome"

Harold Pollack, Helen Ross Professor, School of Social Service Administration, University of Chicago

Friday, February 3

11:45 a.m., A-110 Mayo Memorial Building

Emerging Diseases in a Changing Environment

"Ending the Pandemic Era: Science at the Animal-Human-Environmental Interface"

Jonna Mazet, Epidemiology and Disease Ecology, UC-Davis

Tuesday, February 7

11:30 a.m., Mississippi Room, Coffman Union

Federal Reserve Bank Seminar

Fed Bag Lunch

TBA

Nicholas Bloom, Stanford

Tuesday, February 7

12:00 p.m., C-SOM 2-213

"The Effects of Monetary Policy and Other Announcements"

Randy Wright, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Wednesday, February 8

12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

Departmental Publications

Hanson, E and M.A., Boland. "University of Minnesota Agricultural Occupational Safety Project." In Mill and Elevator News XVII, No 2, fall 2016: 35-36

Junhu Ruan, Xuping Wang, Chengyan Yue, Guo Chen, and Minsoo Kim, "Optimization Models and Algorithms for Operation and Control with Advanced Information Technologies," Scientific Programming, vol. 2017, Article ID 4706714, 2 pages, 2017. doi:10.1155/2017/4706714. Available [online](#).

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