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Announcements

Farm Management Candidate Joleen Hadrich March 27th

Joleen Hadrich, candidate for the Assistant/Associate Professor position in Farm Management, will be visiting the department on Monday, March 27. Her seminar, "*The Effect of Farm Financial Structure and Efficiency on Farm Growth*," will take place from 10:00-11:30 a.m. in 119 Ruttan Hall. Joleen has a Ph.D in Agricultural Economics from Michigan State University and is currently an Associate Professor of Agricultural and Resource Economics at Colorado State University. If you would like to sign up to be part of a small group meeting with her between 3:00-4:30 (meetings are in half hour increments) please [email Sadie Brendalen](#).

Congratulations, Papak Nabipay!

Papak's second child, Ziva Lo Napipay was born on March 7, 2017. She is happy, healthy and the family is doing well.

Twin Cities Chapter of Financial Executives

The April 19th theme of the Twin Cities FEI is, "Food Innovations and Consumer Food Trends," and will include presentations by Kris and Mary Kowalski of Kowalski's and Mike Boland. If any graduate students would like to attend this light breakfast meeting, please talk with Mike Boland. [More information can be found online.](#)

Download Duo and Donuts Event

The Office of Information and Technology reports that phishing activity has doubled in the past year. It has made available the Duo Two-Factor Authentication software to employees to help protect their information by requiring a two-step log in process. If you would like help setting up Duo, OIT staff will be available at a [Download Duo and Donuts event](#) on March 30th from 9:00-12:00 p.m. in the Technology Help Room in the St. Paul Student Center.

Classes Without Quizzes

[Registration](#) for CFANS Classes Without Quizzes, which will be held Saturday, April 1 is now open. This year's keynote address, "*The Geography of Food*," will be presented by Mike Boland.

Rob King Retirement Celebration

The department is hosting a retirement reception to celebrate Professor Rob King's long and dedicated career here in Applied Economics. The event will take place at 2:00 p.m. on May 25 in the Cherrywood Room of the St. Paul Student Center. [RSVP online.](#)

Life Course Center Miniconference

"Reimagining Policy for a Fast Changing Life Course"

Friday, March 31

9:00-3:30 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

This is a free event but [registration is required](#) by March 24.**Jobs****Analyst**

The Resources, Science and Industry Division (RSI) of the Congressional Research Service (CRS) is seeking an Analyst in Agricultural Policy. The analyst will conduct analyses that inform congressional deliberations on agricultural policy related to domestic agricultural programs, policies, and markets. The ideal candidate will have knowledge of the economics, history, trends, and current status of agricultural policy with an emphasis on crop insurance and farm income support programs for major commodity crops, sugar, and dairy, as well as associated legislative, economic, and regulatory issues and interrelationships with other key agricultural policy areas. Analyst duties include preparing objective, non-partisan analytical studies and descriptive background reports on issues of national significance; providing personal consultation and assistance to congressional committees, Members, and staff on public policy issues throughout the legislative process; and participating in or leading team research projects and seminars. The employee is also expected to develop over time the skills necessary to provide public policy and legislative analysis and consultation to congressional committees, Members, and staff. [Apply online.](#)

Postdoctoral Position

A postdoctoral position in bioeconomics or natural resource economics is available at the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies (FES). The successful candidate will contribute to research on coupled ecological-economic systems and capital theoretic approaches to valuing stocks of natural capital. The individual filling this position is expected to collaborate with faculty and to develop original research. For more information or to apply please [contact Eli Fenichel](#) (Yale F&ES). Applicants should send a cover letter describing their interests and skills as they relate to my research, a CV, a description (up to one page) of a computational project he/she has engaged in outside of a class, the contact information for three professional references, and JMP. Please combined documents into a single pdf.

Postdoctoral Position

A postdoctoral research associate position is available with the Great Lakes Restorative Initiative (GLRI) in Strategic Decision Making for Enhancing Habitat Connectivity in Great Lakes Restoration Efforts. The overarching goal for the post doc is to provide scientific support to the LCW strategic planning process via literature synthesis, spatial analysis, and portfolio optimization. The post doc will work in direct support of the LCW, including representatives of US Environmental Protection Agency, US Forest Service, US Geological Survey, US Fish and Wildlife Service, Bureau of Indian Affairs, National Park Service, Natural Resource Conservation Service, and state agencies. The post doc will pursue the following objectives with regular input from members of the LCW: Provide science support to the LCW strategic planning process as determined by LCW leadership and post doc supervisors; propose and carry out a spatial analysis of terrestrial and aquatic habitat connectivity for species with different dispersal capabilities and needs; quantitatively explore alternative portfolios of land and water conservation opportunities to jointly maximize terrestrial- and aquatic connectivity; recommend ecologically-based measures of success (i.e., ecological indicators) that the LWG can measure to track progress; publish peer reviewed journal article(s). Interested candidates should provide in a single PDF document (1) a cover letter that addresses qualifications and skills, (2) a current vita, (3) a transcript of PhD work indicating degree award date, and (4) the names and contact information of three references who can attest to the candidate's qualifications. Send applications and inquiries by email to [Dr. Clint Moore](#), Assistant Unit Leader, Georgia Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit.

CEA Opportunities

The Council of Economic Advisers has many job and internship opportunities for both faculty on sabbatical, grad students and possibly undergrad students as well. More information about these numerous opportunities is [available online](#).

Internships

The Tax Research Division at the Minnesota Department of Revenue has two summer internships available. These student worker positions will assist with tax study and research work, specifically work on the MN Tax Expenditure Budget Report. The project work involves analyzing and updating economic and tax data, creating and developing spreadsheets, and preparing written reports and tables. [Apply online](#) by typing '12047' into the 'Keywords' search bar.

Departmental Seminars

Trade and Development

"Peers and Motivation at Work: Evidence from a Firm Experiment in Malawi"

Jason Kerwin, Assistant Professor, Applied Economics, UMN

Friday, March 24

10:30 a.m., 119 Ruttan Hall

"Soap Operas and the Management of Seasonal Rural Finance: Evidence from Peruvian Agricultural Households"

Martin Valdivia, GRADE, Peru

Friday, March 31

10:30 a.m., 119 Ruttan Hall

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"The Effect of Farm Financial Structure and Efficiency on Farm Growth"

Joleen Hadrich, Associate Professor, Colorado State University

Monday, March 27

10:00 a.m., 119 Ruttan Hall

Seminars in Other Departments

Health Disparities Roundtable

"Building Safe and Healthy Communities for All"

Keynotes: Mary M. Lee, Deputy Director of PolicyLink; Luz Maria Frias, President and CEO at YWCA Minneapolis; Chanda Smtih Baker, President and CEO at Pillsbury United Communities

Friday, April 7 Coffman Memorial Union

[More Information](#)

[Register Online](#)

MPC

"Building a National Longitudinal Research Infrastructure"

Steve Ruggles, UMN

Monday, March 27

12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

MPC Workshop

"Statistical Inference When You Have Full Population Data"

Rob Warren, MPC

Friday, March 24

12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

Emerging Diseases in a Changing Environment

"Combating Microbial Terrorists: How to End Our Preparedness Stalemate"

Julie L. Gerberding, MD, MPH, Executive Vice President, Merck

Thursday, April 13

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

[Register Online](#)

Department of Forestry Resources Grad Student Seminar Series

"Evaluating Ecosystem-based Adaptation Programs for Social and Ecological Benefits"

Anne B. Christianson, Doctoral Student, Natural Resources Science and Management Program

Wednesday, March 29

3:00 p.m., 203 Green Hall

HPM

"The Cost-Effectiveness of Enhancing a Quit and Win Smoking Cessation Program for College Students"

Jonah Popp, HPM Doctoral Student

Friday, March 24

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

"A Modified Delphi Study to Envisage Transformed Long-Term Care: Round One Results from an Initiative of the LTC Re-Think Tank"

Rosalie Kane, PhD, Professor, HPM

Friday, March 31

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

Minnesota Economics Seminar

"Heterogeneity and Persistence in Returns to Wealth"

Luigi Pistaferri, Stanford

Thursday, March 30

12:00 p.m., CSOM L122

Federal Bag Lunches

"Intermediation as Rent Extraction"

Guido Menzio, Minneapolis Fed

Monday March 27

12:00 p.m, Research Conference Room

"Deviations from Covered Interest Rate Parity"

Wenxin Du, Federal Reserve Board

Tuesday, March 28

12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

"TBA"

Lawrence Schmidt, University of Chicago

Wednesday March 29

12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

Finance Department Seminar

"A Macroeconomic Model with Financially Constrained Producers and Intermediaries"

Stijn Van Nieuwerburgh, NYU

Friday, March 31

10:30 a.m., CSOM 2-233

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