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

Announcements

Congratulations, Yu Na!
One of our outstanding and talented alums, Yu Na Lee (PhD, 2017) has been awarded an honorable mention for the AAEA's Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award. Marc Bellemare served as her advisor during her time in Applied Econ. Congratulations, Yu Na!

2018 MIEDC: This FRIDAY!
The link to register for the 2018 Midwest International Economic Development Conference, hosted by CIFAP and Applied Economics is open until Thursday, the day before the conference. Click this link to register. OR you may register as a walk-in the day of. Contact Sadie Brendalen for more information.

Jobs

PostDoc and PhD
The Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research (PIK) is hiring a PostDoc and PhD on economic modeling of climate change mitigation, and analyzing climate change impacts on economic growth. Successful candidates will be working in a project on the interaction of structural change and climate change mitigation, on economic impacts of climate change and distributional consequences. Research tasks include: Investigation of novel concepts for estimating climate change impacts on economic growth, and accounting for climate damages in household models as well as integrated energy-economy-landuse-climate models; Development of a multi-sectoral growth model to study conceptually as well as numerically the interaction of structural change and economic growth with climate change and climate change mitigation policies. More information and applications are available online for both the PostDoc and PhD positions.

Performance Measures Specialist
The Minnesota Department of Employment & Economic Development (DEED) has an opening for a Performance Measures Specialist. Responsible for initiating new planning projects to provide the agency leadership with a comprehensive view of operations, performance outcomes, alternative solutions, and the policy implications of equity grant funding decisions. The position also helps coordinate the activities of consultants, planning groups, and governmental agencies at all levels, and serves as a technical and planning expert so that the department has fully developed and integrated performance measures. More information and application is available on the State of Minnesota Careers website by searching JobID 21863.

Final Defense
"Essays on Human Capital, Labor, and Migration in Developing Countries"
Tomoko Utsumi, ApEc
Tuesday, April 24
9:30 a.m., 230 Ruttan
Midwest International Economic Development Conference
"Building Sustainable Income for the World's Poorest: Economic, Mental Health and Religion Interventions"
KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Dean Karlan, Northwestern
Friday, April 27 - Saturday, April 28
McNamara Alumni Center
RSVP Online by Thursday, April 26. Walk-ins welcome at the full-conference price.

Agricultural and Applied Economics
"The Impact of Transferable Fishing Quotas on Cost, Price and Season Length"
Franke Asche, Professor, University of Florida
Wednesday, April 25
12:00 p.m., 119 Ruttan

"TBA"
Travis Smith, Assistant Professor, University of Georgia
Wednesday, May 2
12:00 p.m., 119 Ruttan

Seminars in Other Departments

Heller-Hurwicz Economics Institute
"Lessons from Sovereign Debt: State and Local Financing"
Manuel Amador, UMN and Mark Wright, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis
Thursday, April 26
5:30 p.m., Cowles Auditorium, Humphrey School
Free, but RSVP required

MPC Seminar
"The Challenge of Preventing Alzheimer’s Disease and Dementia: Where Evidence from Epidemiology Leads and Misleads"
Maria Glymour, UC- San Francisco
Monday, April 23
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

Math Economics
"Limit Orders under Knightian Uncertainty"
Christoph Kuzmics, University of Graz
Monday, April 23
3:30 p.m., CSOM 1-149

Federal Bag Lunch
"How Wage Announcements Affect Job Search Behavior"
Philipp Kircher, Edinburgh
Tuesday, April 24
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

"The Macroeconomic Impact of Microeconomic Shocks: Beyond Hulten's Theorem"
Emmanuel Farhi, Harvard
Wednesday, April 25
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

"The Labor Market Impacts of Universal and Permanent Cash Transfers: Evidence from the Alaska Permanent Fund"
Ioana Marinescu, University of Pennsylvania School of Social Policy & Practice
Thursday, April 26
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

**NOTE: If you wish to attend a seminar or bag lunch at the Federal Reserve Bank you must call 612-204-6455 a MINIMUM of 24 hours in advance to get your name on a visitor list. Be prepared to give your affiliation. If you are not on an approved list, you will not be allowed to attend bag lunches or seminars."