Department of Applied Economics

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Announcements

Please join the Minnesota Council on Economic Education at the Bell Museum Oct 25th for EconFest 2018

Join the Minnesota Council on Economic Education as we celebrate the year in economic and personal finance education and showcase MCEE's programming, including teachers, students, and community partners!

The evening will begin with a reception showcase, with beverages and heavy hors-d'oeuvres, featuring our 2018 3M & Thrivent award-winning teachers, our 2018 student competition participants and coaches, and our MCEE Master teachers and community partners, allowing guests to hear directly from teachers and students about the importance of economic and personal finance education.

After the showcase, join us as for a program honoring teacher excellence and innovation and featuring remarks from new MCEE Executive Director, Dr. Julie Bunn, and keynote speaker Dr. Kate Brauman of the Institute on the Environment. Dr. Brauman will speak on "Ecosystem Services: Nature's Contributions to People." The reception showcase begins at 6 PM and the awards program at 7 PM.

Attendance is free but we ask you to click here to register.

Please contact us if you have any questions: mcee@umn.edu or 612-625-3727.

Babies, babies, babies!
Our former graduate student, Ana Cuesta, welcomed a baby girl, Elena Jo, on September 18. Elena and mom are both doing well. Congratulations to Ana, Elena and family!

Brittni Lamoreux in the Center for Farm Financial Management and her husband also welcomed a baby girl, Hadley, to their family on September 21st! Brittni and Hadley are healthy and doing well. Congratulations to Brittni and family!

Pronouns and Gender Identity
Students and employees on all campuses are now able to share personal pronouns and/or a gender identity through the "My Info" tab of MyU. Sharing personal pronouns and/or a gender identity is optional. Students' pronouns will be available in several places where student data is made available to University instructors, advisers, and other employees. Gender identity is not shared with class instructors or other campus partners, including health services.

Congratulations, Mike Boland!
Congratulations to Mike, for his invited article in the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City Economic Review. You can see the article online here.

Jobs

Research Associate
The Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL) and partner organizations seek qualified applicants for positions as Data Research Associates for projects throughout the JPAL network. These include, but
are not limited to: agriculture, crime and violence, education, the environment, finance, firms, gender, health, labor, and political economy and governance.

These positions offer an opportunity to gain first-hand analysis experience in an organization undertaking cutting-edge development research. These positions are located globally at the offices of our J-PAL affiliated professors.

Data Research Associates work hand-in-hand with faculty members clean and analyze data collected from the field. They may also help write project reports, assist in the development of data collection protocols, prepare requests for approval to relevant internal review boards (IRB), and help other research assistant tasks as needed. Read full descriptions and apply online.

**Departmental Seminars**

**Environmental and Resource Economics**
*"Effects of Heat Waves on Economic Growth"*
Steve Miller, Assistant Professor, ApEc  
Monday, October 15  
12:00 p.m., 230 Ruttan

**Agricultural and Applied Economics**
*"Chickens, Household Welfare, and Child Health: Evidence from a Randomized Trial in Guatemala"*
Conner Mullally, Assistant Professor, University of Florida  
Wednesday, October 10  
12:00 p.m., 119 Ruttan

**Trade and Development**
*"Barriers to Entry and Regional Economic Growth in China"*
Loren Brandt, Professor, University of Toronto  
Friday, October 12  
10:30 a.m., 119 Ruttan

**Seminars in other departments**

**MPC**
*"The Effects of Changes in Mandatory Retirement Laws on Firm-Provided Incentives"*
Colleen Manchester, UMN  
Monday, October 8  
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

**Federal Bag Lunch**
*TBA*  
Sebastian Heise, New York, Fed  
Tuesday, October 9  
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

**TBA**  
George-Marios Angeletos, MIT  
Thursday, October 11  
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

**Mincro-Macro Seminar**
*"Scarred Consumption"*
Ulrike Malmendier, UC-Berkeley  
Wednesday, October 10  
12:00 p.m., CSOM 2-233

**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 (i.e., University of Minnesota graduate student, Department of Economics). If you are not on an approved visitor list, you will not be allowed to attend bag lunches or seminars at the Fed.


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