Save the Date!
The annual Applied Economics and Agricultural Education and Communication luncheon will take place on Wednesday, December 5 from 11:30a.m.-1:00 p.m. in the Northstar Ballroom. Hope to see you there!

Sad News
We recently learned that Betty Berg, wife of Sherwood Berg, passed away. You may read more about her here. Our condolences to the family.

Jobs

Postdoctoral Fellow
ERS wants to hire a data scientist or an economist with big data training (e.g., SQL and Python or R) to leverage ERS' sensitive and confidential data to make them accessible and useful for the public, researchers and businesses alike. The ultimate objective is to build a variety of user communities with similar interests around ERS' consumer food data and information integrated with extant State administrative records and data from other Federal Statistical Agencies. To this end, the incumbent will lead the joint OMB-ERS project established in response to the President's Management Initiative to develop a Federal Data Policy that leverages data as a strategic asset. Read more and apply online.

Economist
The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has an open economist position in the Air Economics Group (AEG) of the Health and Environmental Impacts Division, in the Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards located in Durham, NC (Research Triangle Park). This position is advertised at the GS-11 level under the Economist (0110) job series with promotion potential to GS-13. Position available on the OPM website (announcement number: RTP-OAR-OT-2019-0001). Apply online.

Assistant Professor
The Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics at the University of Wisconsin-Madison seeks a full-time, tenure-track faculty member at the rank of Assistant Professor with a teaching and research focus on the economics of agriculture in the United States. The successful candidate will conduct research and teach undergraduate and graduate courses (current teaching load is two courses per year), and serve as an advisor to graduate and undergraduate students. We seek an agricultural or applied economist with the quantitative and empirical skills needed to contribute to the Department's core missions in the economics of agriculture broadly defined. The successful candidate will also have the opportunity to interact with a new college-wide data science initiative. Apply online under job number 95879.

Internships
The USDA Foreign Agricultural Service is looking for interns in a variety of embassies. The International Agricultural Internship Program (IAIP) gives current or soon to be graduate students a chance to gain first-hand experience working at a Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS/USDA) overseas post in U.S. Embassies and Trade Offices around the world. Possible assignments include, but are not limited to: Berlin, Germany; Brasilia, Brazil; Brussels, Belgium; Bogota, Colombia; Guatemala City, Guatemala; Kyiv, Ukraine; Mexico City, Mexico; Moscow, Russia; San Jose, Costa Rica; Shanghai, China; Seoul, Korea; and Tokyo, Japan. Read more about these amazing opportunities and how to apply to them online.
Extension Specialist
The Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics at the University of California, Davis is searching for an assistant-level faculty member (cooperative extension specialist) focused on the economics of sustainable agricultural management. This is a full time, career-track position. Cooperative Extension Specialists have many of the same career opportunities and rights and privileges as faculty in the professorial ranks but do not have classroom teaching responsibilities, freeing them to do extension education and applied research with partners throughout California. The successful candidate will be expected to conduct original applied research resulting in information that can be applied toward the economics of agricultural production systems, including shifts to new technologies and crops, which enhance sustainability and profitability, and to develop an extension education and outreach program that extends information to various clientele (e.g., farmers, grower/shippers, regulatory organizations, and policymakers) including under-represented groups. Advising and mentoring of graduate students is expected. Apply online.

Assistant Professor
The University of Kentucky College of Agriculture is currently recruiting a full-time, twelve-month, tenure-track position in agricultural production and/or agricultural resource economics. This position will have an approximate start date of August 1, 2019, with a distribution of effort of approximately 65% research, 30% teaching, and 5% service. The candidate should have an interest in conducting policy-relevant research related to agricultural production economics, agricultural resource economics, or related fields. The successful candidate is expected to: 1) develop a nationally recognized research program evidenced by publications in leading peer-reviewed scholarly journals; 2) successfully attract external funding to support research efforts, including funding of graduate students; 3) demonstrate a commitment to working with teams of researchers on interdisciplinary research problems; 4) direct MS and PhD student research; 5) contribute to the multi-functional, land-grant mission of the Department through outreach and engagement efforts with community stakeholders; and 6) exhibit excellence in classroom instruction at both the undergraduate and graduate level. Apply online.

Environmental and Resource Economics
"Good Intentions Gone Bad? The Dodd-Frank Act and Conflict in Africa’s Great Lakes Region"
Jeffrey Bloem, PhD candidate
Monday, November 5
12:00 p.m., 230 Ruttan

"Estimating Social Cost of Carbon"
Adway De, CLA, UMN
Monday, November 12
12:00 p.m., 230 Ruttan

Agricultural and Applied Economics
"Machinery Investment: Does it Affect Minnesota Farm Business Expansion Over Time?"
Joleen Hadrich, Applied Economics, UMN
Wednesday, November 7
12:00 p.m., 119 Ruttan

Trade and Development
"Can Plot-specific and Community-wide Recommendations Influence Fertilizer Management of Farmers? Experimental Evidence from Bangladesh"
Wahed Rahman, PhD candidate, Applied Economics, UMN
Friday, November 9
10:30 a.m., 119 Ruttan

Seminars in other departments

MPC
"Global Population Microdata from IPUMS International: Progress and Future Plans"
Laura Cleveland, UMN
Monday, November 5
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

Federal Bag Lunch
"Currency Choice in Contracts"
Andres Drenik, Columbia
Tuesday, November 6
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

TBA
Romain Ranciere, USC
Wednesday, November 7
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 (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.

Departmental Publications


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