

MARGINAL MEMOS

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Announcements

Congratulations, Alex!

Alex Gambonini has been awarded the Ralph K. Morris Foundation Elroy Webster Cooperative Scholarship. This scholarship is given to graduate or law students who have an interest in agricultural cooperatives. Alex, who grew up on her family's dairy farm in California, credits Dr. Boland's Cooperative Organizations class with helping her to appreciate and understand the importance of cooperatives in California.

SCC-76 Virtual Meeting: Call for Papers

The SCC-76 meeting will take place virtually March-April 2021. All papers will be presented in lightning presentation format. The sessions will be as interactive as possible to facilitate some of the great feedback and networking opportunities typical of this group's annual meetings.

To submit your paper for consideration, please submit a title, abstract and co-authors to bkgoodrich@ucdavis.edu. Abstract submissions are due January 8, 2021.

Small Grant Call for Proposals: SPIA

The CGIAR Standing Panel on Impact Assessment (SPIA) is now proposing small grants (\$5,000) for graduate students and early-career researchers, for studies on agricultural innovations in Ethiopia. The submission of proposals that build on the Ethiopian Socioeconomic Survey (ESS) and the recently released SPIA [synthesis report](#) "Shining a Brighter Light: Comprehensive Evidence on Adoption and Diffusion of CGIAR-Related Innovations in Ethiopia" is encouraged.

Supplementary materials of interest, including the ESS4 questionnaires, can be [accessed online](#).

Proposals should be sent to SPIA (spia@cgiar.org) no later than 9am CET, on Tuesday December 15, 2020.

Join the MCEE Virtual Fundraiser

Please join us on Thursday, November 19th, from 5-5:30 pm for the Minnesota Council on Economic Education's virtual Fundraiser. This will be a 30 minute event to learn about what's happening these days with MCEE.

I'm sure that many of you are familiar with the Council, led in the past by Claudia Parliament and Donald Liu and currently by Julie Bunn. MCEE works hard to train teachers to teach economics in the K-12 system and has also provided opportunities for our graduate and undergraduate students to become involved.

To learn more about MCEE, please [view a general MCEE video](#) and/or one that focuses on their [student capstone/competition experiences](#).

Please [register](#) for the Zoom event by November 18th.

If you prefer to donate, please [use this link](#).

[Register online](#)

November 18- Online Agricultural and Resource Economics Seminar

The seminar will be held on Wednesdays at 11 am Central US time.

The next seminar will be held on November 18, 2020 with Andrew W. Stevens from University of Wisconsin.

If you would like to register, see the OARES website [here](#), and make sure to sign up with your institutional address. The OARES website includes a schedule of forthcoming talks as well.

Jobs

ERS: Multiple vacancies

The ERS has multiple vacancies for Economists. Please use the links below to apply.

[ERS-S21Y-10944259-NW – Research Agricultural Economist](#), GS-0110-13/14/15, Kansas City, MO

(Closing Date: 11/06/2020)

[ERS-S20Y-10948333-KAS – Digital Strategist \(Public Affairs Specialist\)](#), GS-1035-14, Kansas City, MO

(Closing Date: 11/12/2020)

[ERS-S21Y-10943702-TLH – Supervisory Agricultural Economist \(2 positions\)](#), GS-0110-15, Kansas City, MO

(Closing Date: 11/16/2020)

[ERS-S21TAB-10927292-KNB - Research Agricultural Economist \(multiple vacancies\)](#), GS-0110-12/13, Kansas City, MO

(Closing Date: 09/23/2021)

[ERS-S21TAB-10935118-DMC - Agricultural Economist\(multiple vacancies\)](#), GS-0110-09, Kansas City, MO

(Closing Date: 09/16/2021)

[ERS-S21Y-10930364-TLH - Agricultural Economist \(multiple vacancies\)](#), GS-0110-11/12/13, Kansas City, MO

(Closing Date: 09/30/2021)

Assistant Professor: York University

The Faculty of Environmental and Urban Change (EUC) at York University, Toronto, invites candidates to apply for a tenure-track professorial stream position in Ecological Economics at the rank of Assistant Professor, beginning July 1, 2021. The successful candidate will be expected to engage in outstanding, innovative, and, as appropriate, externally funded research at the highest level. Candidates must provide evidence of research excellence or promise of research excellence of a recognized international calibre as demonstrated in: the research statement; a record of publications (or forthcoming publications) with significant journals in the field; knowledge mobilization and community engagement; presentations at major conferences; awards and accolades; and strong recommendations from referees of high standing. To apply, submit the following to EUCHires@YorkU.ca

1. a cover letter outlining your qualifications for the position as described above;
2. a curriculum vitae;
3. a maximum two-page document describing your short and long-term research interests;
4. sample publications (a maximum of two);
5. a one-page statement describing your teaching philosophy, a list of possible courses in our curriculum that you could teach, and additional teaching interests;
6. the contact information for at least three referees with knowledge of your work and/or recognized expertise (at least two of the references must be academic). Letters of reference will be solicited by the Search Committee for long-listed candidates and should not be sent with the initial application.

Departmental Seminars

Trade & Development Seminar

Friday, November 13

10:30-12:00 pm

Nava Ashraf, Assistant Professor, Department of Agricultural, Environmental, and Development Economics, Ohio State University, Professor and Research Director of the Marshall Institute, Department of Economics, London School of Economics will present, "Maternal Mortality Risk and Spousal Differences in Desired Fertility."

Seminars in other departments

Federal Bag Lunch

Tuesday, November 10

12:00 p.m.

Chad Jones, Stanford, TBA

To have Economics Department and Fed workshops automatically entered into your calendar program, from your google calendar page click "add a friend's calendar," use the plus symbol at the right to select "from url" and paste in the following link :

http://www.google.com/calendar/ical/umn.edu_iolnsocgnepgcst7drr734n5ao%40group.calendar.google.com/public/basic.ics

Note:

If you wish to attend a seminar at the Fed, please contact Nancy Moua at nancy.moua@mpls.frb.org for the zoom link .

Departmental Publications

Hanson, Erik, and Michael Boland. 2020. "Safety Climate at Agricultural Cooperatives." *Journal of Safety Research*, September, In Press.

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