

MARGINAL MEMOS

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Announcements

J-PAL's Annual Recruitment Drive is now open

J-PAL's Annual Recruitment Drive is now open! This drive is widely visited by talented candidates seeking research, policy, training, and education positions.

Visit the [J-PAL careers page](#) to learn about the application process and to explore the research, policy, education, and training job opportunities at J-PAL's global and regional offices, as well as partner organizations.

18th Annual MIEDC: Call for Papers

The [Global Poverty Research Lab](#) at Northwestern University will host the 18th annual Midwest International Economic Development Conference (MWIEDC) on April 30-May 1, 2021. The conference invites papers and organized sessions on all topics in economic development. Presentations at the conference must be accompanied by completed papers. Each presenter will have a 30 minute presentation slot, including a 5 minute commentary by an assigned discussant. Sessions will begin at 8 am on April 30 and end at lunch on May 1. At this time we are planning to conduct this as an in-person event, but if that proves impossible we will hold it virtually, possibly with a modified schedule.

The keynote speaker will be Eliana La Ferrara, Fondazione Romeo ed Enrica Invernizzi Chair in Development Economics at Università Bocconi.

We invite you to submit a paper or propose a session to present at the conference. The deadline for submissions is January 6, 2020. Submissions will be evaluated by a scientific committee and acceptances will be notified by early February.

For more information and to submit a paper, please visit our website, <https://mwiedc.org>.

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.

[Register online](#)

December 2- 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 December 2, 2020 with Jonathan Colmer from the University of Virginia, "The Grandkids Aren't Alright: The Intergenerational Effects of Prenatal Pollution Exposure"

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

Postdoc in energy economics: Grenoble Ecole de Management (GEM), Grenoble, France

Grenoble Ecole de Management (GEM) in Grenoble, France is seeking a full-time or part-time post doctorate level researcher to work at the interface of energy economics and behavioral economics employing stated preferences discrete choice models. The ideal candidate holds a PhD in economics, has expertise in survey implementation and econometric analysis of discrete choice models, is familiar with the energy efficiency economics literature, and has demonstrated her/his ability to publish in recognized peer-reviewed academic journals.

The successful candidate will be part of an international and dedicated team studying energy-related decisions by households based on discrete choice experiments within the EU H2020 SONNET project. The position may start immediately and may last up to 18 months. Interested applicants should submit a letter of interest highlighting their relevant background and experience, a detailed CV, copies of university diplomas, the names of two academic references, and a copy of their PhD thesis and/or academic papers by email to joachim.schleich@grenoble-em.com using the following text in the subject line: "PostDoc application - [Your Name]".

Assistant/Associate Professor: Ohio State University

The Department of Agricultural, Environmental, and Development Economics (AEDE) invites applications for the position of Assistant or Associate Professor in Farm Management and Agricultural Policy. The incumbent will develop and implement a comprehensive and innovative extension, teaching and research program that addresses critical farm management and agricultural policy issues. The appointee will have a 9-month academic year appointment with additional funding available for non-academic months.

The appointee is expected to develop a comprehensive extension/outreach program in their area of expertise and to serve as a state-level expert (approximately 50%); develop a high quality applied research program complementary to their extension program (approximately 25%); and will have the opportunity to teach a class in AEDE's undergraduate and/or graduate programs and/or develop modern curricula for use in extension programming (approximately 25%).

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Assistant Professor: Purdue

The Department of Agricultural Economics is seeking an academic-year tenure-track faculty member to develop a nationally-recognized program of scholarly research and teaching in quantitative methods.

The successful applicant will contribute to the development and application of frontier tools in quantitative methods used across the Department's areas of strength, including applied economics, finance, marketing, international trade and development, industrial organization, environment and natural resources. Teaching responsibilities for the position include core PhD training in optimization, as well as the opportunity to develop course(s) in quantitative techniques of value to graduate students such as

simulation, mathematical programming, machine learning, and decision analysis. The successful candidate is expected to conduct scholarly research employing frontier quantitative methods, publish in high-impact peer reviewed journals, mentor graduate students, and secure external funding to support their research program.

The successful candidate will have the opportunity to conduct research in collaboration with five dynamic centers housed in the Department and working in the areas of agribusiness, commercial agricultural, international trade, and rural development.

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International Trade Analyst: U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington D.C.

The mission of the Office of Industries includes responsibility for identifying, developing, maintaining, and analyzing pertinent qualitative and quantitative information on trade and economic matters relating to the competitive posture of the United States and other countries in the agriculture, manufactured goods, and service industries. You will be assigned to multi-disciplinary teams working on a variety of projects and products.

As an International Trade Analyst (Agriculture), you will independently perform research, analysis, and project management, which address mission elements critical to agency objectives; provide technical guidance on the most appropriate methods of analysis regarding international trade and competitiveness of assigned agricultural industries; serve as a member of panels and special studies; and furnish advice relative to the commodities and industries supported.

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Seminars in other departments

Federal Bag Lunch

Tuesday, December 1

12:00 p.m.

Veronica Guerrieri, University of Chicago, "Macroeconomic Implications of COVID-19: Can Negative Supply Shocks Cause Demand Storage"

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 .



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