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Jobs

Director
CGIAR is searching for a highly skilled professional to fill the position of Director of the CGIAR System Advisory Services Shared Secretariat (Shared Secretariat). This position is critical in providing successful operational leadership and support for a new CGIAR Independent Science for Development Council (ISDC), CGIAR's Standing Panel on Impact Assessment (SPIA) and implementation of the CGIAR System's multi-year evaluation plan. It offers an exciting opportunity to contribute to a world free of poverty, hunger, and environmental degradation. This is a strategic role responsible for stewarding the provision of high-quality objective advice to the CGIAR System through robust science advisory, impact assessment, and evaluation/review services. Operating as a distinct and separate unit of the System Organization, the Director of the Shared Secretariat reports direct to the external independent Chair of the ISDC for operational and budget guidance regarding the three interdependent workstreams of the Shared Secretariat. Read full description and apply online.

Economist
The Landscape, Policy and Governance team at Manaaki Whenua-Landcare Research of New Zealand seeks an experienced senior economist with a strong interest in economic modelling and analysis to inform and enhance policy that fosters environmentally sustainable resource use and economic growth in New Zealand. The successful candidate would join a team of economists and quantitative social scientists who undertake research pertaining to land use, environmental decision making, biodiversity, ecosystem services, economic behaviour, and climate change in New Zealand and the South Pacific.

In addition to the research position, the role also includes leading a cluster of researchers within the wider team. Your role as capability leader for the Economic Modelling and Simulation cluster would focus on the ongoing use and development of a range of economic models, and the researchers in the cluster who currently develop and work with these models. Read more and apply online.

Assistant Professor
The Division of Resource Economics and Management in the Davis College of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Design at West Virginia University invites applications for the position of Assistant Professor with a focus on agribusiness, entrepreneurship and/or rural development. The successful candidate will develop a high-quality teaching and research program in support of undergraduate and graduate programs in the REM Division, and as allied with other programs in the College and University. Teaching areas of emphasis include rural enterprise development and entrepreneurship; agribusiness management, finance, or accounting; natural resource, and/or energy enterprises; and rural/regional development strategies. The expected annual teaching assignment is four courses, or its equivalent including advising and mentoring, with delivery as in-class or online, as determined in consultation with the unit director. This position will be
expected to develop an internationally recognized, externally funded research program focused on agribusiness, entrepreneurship, and/or rural development issues. Apply online.

**Assistant Professor**
The Division of Resource Economics and Management in the Davis College of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Design at West Virginia University invites applications for the position of Assistant Professor with a focus on natural resource economics. The successful candidate will develop a high-quality teaching and research program in support of undergraduate and graduate programs in the REM Division, and as allied with other programs in the College and University. Teaching areas of emphasis include natural resource and/or environmental economics; energy economics; and project-risk assessment. The expected annual teaching assignment is four courses, or its equivalent including advising and mentoring, with delivery as in-class or online, as determined in consultation with the unit director. Teaching assignments for this position will be coordinated with the College’s Division of Forestry and Natural Resources’ Energy Land Management (ELM) program in order to provide teaching of courses to meet program needs in both REM and ELM. The position also will require service activities to advance that mission of the University as well. This position will be expected to develop an internationally recognized, externally funded research program and conduct research on a broad range of issues in renewable and non-renewable natural resources in West Virginia and collaborate with faculty in the Division of Forestry and Natural Resources and the Institute of Water Security and Science. Apply online.

**USGS Mendenhall Research Fellowship**
An interdisciplinary USGS team in coordination with other bureaus in the Department of the Interior, other federal agencies, and with stakeholders, has initiated a research agenda to develop methods and tools for Multi-Resource Analysis (MRA). MRA is a next-generation suite of analytical products that can be used to inform land use and resource management decisions by integrating scientific information about natural resources and explicitly recognizing changes to those resources caused by natural events and human decisions, including energy and minerals development decisions. MRA focuses on the effects of change on multiple natural resources, interrelationships among natural resources, and the economic and societal consequences of these changes to humans. The USGS has a growing body of work on MRA and related topics (Jenni et al., 2018; Haines et al., 2013; Martinez et al, in review; Diffendorfer et al., 2017). The focus of this Research Opportunity is to further advance MRA via integration of energy, mineral, and other natural resource assessments. The Mendenhall Fellow’s research may be centered on any of the physical, economic, or decision science aspects of the MRA. To that end, we solicit proposals touching on one or more of following research areas which are the primary components of an MRA described in Jenni et al. 2018. Review necessary qualifications and apply online.

**Fellowship**
A research training opportunity is currently available at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) Office of Policy (OP)/National Center for Environmental Economics (NCEE), located at EPA Headquarters in Washington, DC.

The participant will be involved with NCEE economists and scientists in analyses and research efforts on regulatory design, benefit-cost analysis, and economic impact analysis. Analyses of major regulation traditionally focus on estimating the overall costs and benefits of a policy to society. The distribution of those costs and benefits is also of great interest but such analyses face a number of methodological and empirical challenges. The project will focus on improving methods for conducting distributional analysis through econometric analysis using highly disaggregated data on expenditures and the development of parameters estimates that can be used to calibrate computable general equilibrium models. Read more and apply online.

**Post-doctoral fellow**
The Science for Nature and People Partnership (SNAPP) seeks a postdoctoral fellow to collaborate on a new, two-year project titled "Landscape-scale forest assessments to support zero-deforestation supply chains." This project is designed to empower the participation of small producers in zero-deforestation supply chains and support companies and governments to make conservation decisions based on landscape-scale connectivity. The project focuses on the High Carbon Stock Approach (HCSA), a multi-stakeholder initiative that has emerged as a leading tool for corporate and public implementation of zero-deforestation commitments. The work focuses on oil palm in Indonesia. Our team of working group participants from academia, farmer cooperatives, industry, and non-profits, will seek new scientific innovations that enable 1) greater participation of smallholder producers in zero-deforestation supply chains; 2) higher confidence in the benefits of corporate zero-deforestation commitments and 3) improved conservation planning through the integration of landscape-scale connectivity assessment. See full description and apply online.

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Departmental Seminars

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Richard Akresh, Associate Professor, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
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TBA
David Redish, Professor, UMN
Monday, January 28
12:00 p.m., 230 Ruttan

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Federal Reserve Bank Lunches
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Vegard Nygaard, UMN
Wednesday, January 16
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

Heller-Hurwicz Economics Institute
Practical Issues in Pension Design Conference
Tuesday, January 22
10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., CSOM 2-260T
More information available online.
Conference is free, but please register to attend!

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Departmental Publications


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Announcements

Organics Recycling REMINDER
This is a reminder that beginning on January 28th, you will need to empty your own garbage can located in your office. The cleaning crew will no longer be emptying individual cans. For questions regarding organics recycling, please review prior emails from Karen Routhe.

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Free webinar
"Impact of Tax Reform and Section 199A on Agricultural and Cooperatives and Members”
Wednesday, January 16; 10:00 am CST; Link to webinar.
The NCERA-210 Cooperative Research Committee, NCFC and various state Cooperative Councils will host a free national webinar on the impact of tax reform and Section 199A. The webinar is designed for cooperative board members, CEOs, CFOs and others who want a plain language discussion of this important topic. A panel of experts will give their perspectives on the opportunities and challenges of this new tax environment:

- Phil Kenkel, Bill Fitzwater Chair, Oklahoma State University-Research Results with Representative Cooperative
- Dennis Gardiner, Gardiner + Company, Des Moines Iowa-Key Decisions for Boards
- Mike Boland, University of Minnesota-How Cooperatives are Responding
- Moderator: Keri Jacobs, Iowa Institute for Cooperatives Endowed Professor, Iowa State University

Jobs

Department Head and Professor
The Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics (ARE) at the University of Connecticut in Storrs (UCONN) invites applications for the position of Department Head, and appointment as Associate Professor or Professor. As the departmental administrative officer, the Head reports directly to the Dean. Duties include:

- Effective coordination and leadership of undergraduate and graduate teaching, research, and Cooperative Extension and outreach programming.
- Conduct administrative responsibilities for academic affairs, departmental personnel, budget matters, and physical facilities.
- Represent and promote the department within the college, the university, and the state, as well as at the national and international levels.
- Establish and coordinate relationships with relevant research centers, agencies, industries, NGOs, professional societies, alumni, and the citizens of Connecticut.
- Develop effective programs to recruit BS, MS, and PhD students and to attract and retain outstanding faculty, drawing from diversity nationally and internationally.

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- Other responsibilities as related to the department Head administrative duties.

Read the full description and apply [online].

**Postdoc**

Duke University Marine Laboratory is seeking a post-doctoral researcher evaluating the social impacts of marine conservation. The research focuses on evaluating the social impacts of a network of marine protected areas (MPAs) within the Sunda Banda Seascape, Indonesia. The researcher will join an interdisciplinary team of academics and practitioners focused on applying evidence-based insights into marine conservation policy and management. The research will primarily center around analyses of compiled household data from coastal communities, however, there will be opportunities to engage in other related research activities. Full description is available [online].

**Postdoc**

A two-year post-doctoral research associate position is available in the Dept. of Agricultural and Consumer Economics (ACE) at the University of Illinois in Urbana-Champaign (UIUC) to use geocomputation and econometrics to measure the on-farm benefits and costs of conservation practice adoption using methods for causal inference and program evaluation. This will entail close collaboration with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), and will be conducted in partnership with the USDA Economic Research Service (ERS). It is expected that the postdoc will work in Washington, DC with one or both of these agencies for several cumulative weeks over the course of the project. The postdoc will be under the direct supervision of Professor Ben Gramig at UIUC, and will work with professors Gary Schnitkey (UIUC) and Seong Yun (Mississippi State University), as well as Dr. Laura Gentry (adjunct faculty UIUC; director of water quality research, Illinois Corn Growers Association). To apply, email Ben Gramig the following items with the subject POSTDOC:
(i) a cover letter explaining how your experience qualifies you and why you are interested in the position;
(ii) your CV including PhD degree date;
(iii) names and contact information for three (3) professional references; and
(iv) a professional writing sample that illustrates the required/desired qualifications for the position.

**Departmental Seminars**

**Trade and Development**

"Long-term and Intergenerational Effects of Education: Evidence from School Construction in Indonesia"
Richard Akresh, Associate Professor, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Friday, January 25
10:30 a.m., 119 Ruttan

**Environmental and Resource Economics**

"The new field of neuroeconomics: What neuroscience means for economics and how using an economic toolbox can help make breakthroughs in neuroscience and psychiatry"
David Redish, Professor, UMN
Monday, January 28
12:00 p.m., 230 Ruttan

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Minnesota Applied Economist
The Spring 2019 edition of the Minnesota Applied Economist is now available on our website. If you would like to be added to the mailing list to receive a hard copy of this publication in the future, please email Sadie Brendalen.

Jobs

Economist
Economic Research Service (ERS) seeks Research Agricultural Economists with responsibility for formulating research plans, developing methodology, determining data needs, and defining resources needed to carry out complex economic research and analysis programs of great significance, difficulty, and national importance. All candidates are expected to have strong research and writing skills, and the ability to relay results to both lay and professional audiences. The positions may be located in the Food Economics Division, Market & Trade Economics Division, or Resource & Rural Economics Division of the Economic Research Service. ERS provides information and analysis that informs national public and private decisions through applied research on farm economics, commodity & food markets, trade, international economics, food demand & markets, food assistance, resource & environmental economics, farm structure & technology, and rural development economics. Duties may vary depending on position. Read more and apply online.

Research Assistant
Resources for the Future has an opening for a Research Assistant. BA or MA in economics, public policy, and related fields welcome. Looking for writing, Stata, and GIS skills. Research Assistants (RAs) support RFF researchers to address a wide range of issues, including: economics of ecosystems, forests, biodiversity, water, and other natural resources; benefit-cost analysis of environmental policies and climate adaptation and resilience. Read full description and apply online.

Research Associate
American Public Media Group has an opening for a Research Associate. The Research Associate will assist senior research staff with planning and conducting research and analysis projects including surveys, literature reviews, data analysis, and/or other original and secondary research that is useful to American Public Media and the broader community. Additionally, they will play a role in the Lab's communications by contributing to written reports, blog posts, social media, presentations, and other means. Read full description and apply online.

Senior Research Analyst
American Public Media Group currently has an opening for a senior research analyst who will join a small team of experienced researchers and will contribute to the Lab's research agenda and publication calendar. The analyst will contribute to several projects, some of which will run concurrently. The Research Lab's agenda is flexible and responsive to current events. Recent projects include: a demographic analysis of congressional elections, a look at changes in the housing market in larger US cities, an exploratory study about how people think about water, and national surveys about Americans' attitudes toward four-year degrees and labor unions. The analyst will gain valuable experience with public media, writing for nontechnical/nonacademic audiences, collaborating on the production of digital content-possibly including blog posts and social media content-as well as strengthening their skills in public engagement and marketing. The Senior Research Analyst is likely to interface with several other parts of American Public Media, including marketing; newsrooms (Minnesota Public Radio and/or
Marketplace and/or Southern California Public. This fellowship position is available only through the Mellon/ACLS Public Fellows program, an initiative administered by the American Council of Learned Societies. [Apply online.]

**Departmental Seminars**

**Trade and Development**
*TBA*
Paul Christian, Economist, Development Research Group, The World Bank  
Friday, February 8  
10:30 a.m., 119 Ruttan

**Environmental and Resource Economics**
*TBA*
James Stock, Harold Hitchings Burbank Professor of Political Economy, Department of Economics, Harvard University  
Monday, February 18  
12:00 p.m., 230 Ruttan

**Seminars in other departments**

**Federal Bag Lunch**
"Sovereign Debt Restructurings"  
Juan Sanchez, St. Louis Fed  
Tuesday, February 5  
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

"The Welfare Effects of Subsidizing Rural-Urban Migration"  
David Lagakos, USCD  
Friday, February 8  
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

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**Departmental Publications**

*Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, January 22, 2019, 201707812.  
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Announcements

Willard W. Cochrane Lecture in Public Policy
Please mark your calendars to attend the Willard W. Cochrane Lecture in Public Policy on Friday, March 8. It will be held in the Cargill Building of Microbial & Plant Genomics, 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. with a reception immediately following.

The speaker is David Zilberman, Professor and Robinson Chair, Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics at the University of California-Berkeley. He is happy to meet with faculty and graduate students on that day.

Jobs

Postdoctoral Research Fellow
McGill University invites applications for a Postdoctoral Research Fellow with training in international development, resource economics, quantitative human geography, or related fields. The Fellow will develop an innovative research program as part of an interdisciplinary team examining the underpinnings and management of migratory locust outbreaks. This will begin with developing and leading household- and village-level data collection in target communities in Senegal in the summer of 2019 as part of the USAID OFDA project “Monitoring and Soil Amendments for Locust Management: A Pilot Project in the Kaffrine Region of Senegal.” The candidate is expected to build from this and previous experience to develop an innovative and independent research program as part of this team. The successful candidate will work within Dr. Brian Robinson group and be based at McGill University in Montreal, Canada, with additional mentorship, collaboration, and linkages to Dr. Arianne Cease’s research group (biology and sustainability) and the Global Locust Initiative, Arizona State University. Potential research foci include topics such as farm-level resource allocation decisions, the distributional impacts of locusts on vulnerable communities, spatial (remote sensing Landsat, MODIS, LIDAR, drone) analysis of locust impacts, among others. The Fellow will provide social science expertise in an interdisciplinary team that includes biologists, economists, geographers, and practitioners. Apply online.

Senior Research Associate
The Washington State Institute for Public Policy invites applications for a senior research associate. Senior Research Associates conduct high-quality, relevant research on public policy topics. Assignments involve problem formulation, research design, benefit-cost modeling, literature reviews and meta-analysis, data and fiscal analysis, report writing, and presentations. Senior Research Associates frequently act as a Lead on assigned research projects or for assigned policy areas. Senior Research Associates primarily design, implement, and communicate the results of rigorous research and evaluations; conduct meta-analysis and data analysis; write and edit reports; and deliver presentations to legislative and research audiences. Senior Research Associates frequently serve as the principal researcher on one or more ongoing assignments, and may also assist other WSIPP staff in completing assignments. In addition, Senior Research Associates may be required to coordinate multiple research studies; mentor other WSIPP Researchers; participate in determining the skills, time, and resources required for assigned projects; and assure timely and accurate project completion. Senior Research Associates’ work portfolios may vary depending on new legislative and Board-approved assignments. Read full description and apply online.

Associate/Full Professor
The Department of Economics at Appalachian State University invites applications for an appointment at the rank of Associate or Full Professor. The successful candidate will have a successful research
program; teach economics, statistics and/or econometrics; and participate in departmental activities. Applicants must submit a complete application consisting of a cover letter, curriculum vitae, evidence of teaching effectiveness, and the names of three references. We invite all applicants for employment with Appalachian State University to complete our voluntary Affirmative Action data collection survey. This brief survey can be accessed online. Applications should be submitted via the JOE network.

**Departmental Seminars**

**Environmental and Resource Economics**
"The Price of Biodiesel Rins and Economic Fundamentals"
James Stock, Harold Hitchings Burbank Professor of Political Economy, Department of Economics, Harvard University
Monday, February 18
12:00 p.m., 230 Ruttan

**Trade and Development**
"College Matching Mechanisms and Matching Quality: Evidence from a Natural Experiment in China"
Yang Song, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Colgate University
Friday, February 22
10:30 a.m., 119 Ruttan Hall

**Seminars in other departments**

**Federal Bag Lunch**
"Efficient Bubbles?"
Eric Loualiche, Minnesota, CSOM
Tuesday, February 19
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

"Constrained Efficient Borrowing with Sovereign Default Risk"
Juan Carlos Hatchondo, Indiana University
Thursday, February 21
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

"Which Ladder to Climb? Evidence on Wages of Workers, Jobs, and Plants"
Moritz Kuhn, University of Bonn
Friday, February 22
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

**Finance Department Seminar**
TBA
Victoria Ivashina
Friday, February 22
10:30 a.m., CSOM 2-224

**Forest Resources Seminar**
"EAB and black ash wetlands: holistic assessment of ecosystem impacts and potential for mitigation"
Rob Slesak, Minnesota Forest Resources Council, and Alex Grinde, UMD-Natural Resources Research Institute
Monday, February 25
3:00 p.m., 203 Green Hall

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Two events at Northwestern University hosted by Global Poverty Research Lab
Pre-Analysis Plan Mini-Conference: Friday, May 10
This event aims to provide a platform where scholars can present and receive feedback on their research design prior to field work, when feedback can be most helpful. Faculty and doctoral students are invited to submit their pre-analysis plans for presentation at the mini-conference. Priority will be partly based on proximity to project implementation. RSVP to the Pre-Analysis Plan Mini-Conference.

Development Rookiefest: Saturday, May 11
A select group of promising doctoral students in the field of development economics are invited to present their job talk to an audience of scholars and faculty within the development community. RSVP to the Development Rookiefest.

Both events will take place in the Kellogg Global Hub (Room 1410, first floor) located at 2211 Campus Drive on the Northwestern University Evanston campus. If you have any questions about either event, please email susan.dennehy@northwestern.edu. Hotel reservations can be made at the Hilton Garden Inn located at 1818 Maple Avenue, Evanston, IL 60201 for a discounted rate of $189/night. Please reserve by April 23 to secure the discounted rate.

Jobs

Economist
The International Water Management Institute is seeking a researcher-economist in impact evaluation and impact assessment. The purpose of this position is to contribute to the design and execution of rigorous evaluations of technologies, interventions and policy reforms, such as those developed and introduced by the International Water Management Institute (IWMI) and others. Such analyses employ quantitative evidence about human behavior and preferences to learn what works and why. Such research will often examine the effects on income distribution and poverty alleviation to assess changes in broader measures of social welfare. Research findings can lead to the improved design of proposals for scaling up and replication in diverse settings. To undertake high-quality research in policy design, policy reform, and in the assessment and formulation of strategies to stimulate the catalyzing role of water in the development of rural and peri-urban regions. Most of this work will take an empirical, micro-econometric focus to support clear messages that speak to policymakers, development funders, and other key stakeholders in civil society. Read full description and apply online.

Economist
The National Center for Environmental Economics at EPA is seeking an economist to perform research on economic implications of environmental programs and policies, including ecosystem management, for submission to peer-review publications, working papers and presentations; apply scientific methods,
identify and conceptualize research needs, plan approach for managing, interpreting and documenting or reporting findings; conduct systematic, empirical and/or theoretical investigations to advance methods available in the field of environmental economics and initiate, conduct and review benefit-cost and other economic analyses of proposed policies and regulations to design and evaluate standards and programs that maximize net social benefits. Full description and application procedure are available online.

**Postdoctoral Research Associate**
Texas A&M University and Texas Federal Statistical Research Data Center are seeking a postdoctoral research associate to fulfill the following duties: Model specification analysis & discussion in the TX Federal Statistical Research Data Center (FSRDC); prepare & collaborate on numerous refereed journal articles including, but not limited to, the following broad topics: perceptions of U.S. vetrepreneurs; determinants of vetrepreneur business survival; determinants of veterpreneur business growth; rural policy implications for supporting veteran-owned businesses; impacts of vetrepreneurs on local economic growth; nationwide lessons-learned for Extension veteran-owned business curricula; actively engage with the research team to develop Extension curriculum, programming, and training; contribute to proposal development workshops and Texas FSRDC research presentations, and participate in development & completion of additional FSRDC projects. Read more and apply online.

**Assistant Research Professor**
A full-time, non-tenure track, fixed-term faculty position is available at The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, to join the Earth and Environmental Systems Institute. The successful candidate will become part of a transdisciplinary research group analyzing strategies to manage climate risks. The position provides unique opportunities for research, education, outreach, decision support, and professional development. The successful candidate will enjoy ample opportunities for transdisciplinary research collaboration as well as professional mentoring by a team of experts in relevant disciplines.

The successful candidate will analyze two main questions: How can paleoclimatic and instrumental records improve our mechanistic understanding of the Earth system and inform hazard assessments? How can this scientific information be used to improve the design of climate-risk management strategies? The ideal candidate would have a strong background in a field such as Earth system science (e.g., atmospheric science, geosciences, oceanography), Bayesian statistics, operations research, decision analysis, or applied mathematics. A Ph.D. in a relevant field is required. The candidate will have considerable freedom to collaboratively design the research within the scope of the broad questions outlined above. Possible example projects include uncertainty analysis of climate projections, decision analysis of climate change adaptation and mitigation strategies, and risk analysis of proposed geoengineering strategies. Apply online.

**Outreach Program Manager**
Wisconsin Sea Grant, which conducts Great Lakes research, outreach, and education is hiring an outreach program manager in Superior. They are open to a variety of disciplinary expertise including environmental economics. The position is a mixture of applied research and extension. The Outreach Program Manager is responsible for providing coastal stakeholders with outreach and applied research relevant to the University of Wisconsin Aquatic Sciences Center (ASC) mission and administering a multi-county outreach program based at the Lake Superior Field Office. ASC administers the University of Wisconsin Sea Grant Institute (SGI) and the Wisconsin Water Resources Institute (WRI), which support multidisciplinary research, education and outreach for the protection and sustainable use of Wisconsin's water resources. Apply online.

**Assistant Professor**
The George Mason University, Department of Environmental Science and Policy (ESP) in the College of Science is seeking an enthusiastic and energetic individual for a full-time 9-month, tenure-track Assistant Professor of Environmental Social Science beginning in August 2019. The incumbent will complement existing departmental disciplines including ecology, conservation biology, sociology, geography, political science, and economics. The selected finalist will contribute to George Mason University's commitment to interdisciplinary research within the department and College of Science, and between other colleges. Standard service activities within the ESP and the College of Science are expected. The expected teaching responsibility for this position will follow the College's standard workload guidelines and will include teaching courses such as Introduction to Environmental Social Science, Human Dimensions of the Environment, and Global Biodiversity/Environmental Governance. Full description and application are available online.

**Departmental Seminars**

**Environmental and Resource Economics**

"Equity and Environment: The Role of Imperfect Information"

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Catie Hausman, Assistant Professor of Public Policy, University of Michigan  
Monday, March 4  
12:00 p.m., 230 Ruttan

**Trade and Development**
"Innovation and Supply Chains"
David Zilberman, Professor and Robinson Chair, Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics, University of California- Berkeley  
**This is the Willard W. Cochrane Lecture in Public Policy**
Friday, March 8  
10:30 a.m., 105 Cargill  
RSVP ONLINE

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**Seminars in other departments**

**MPC Seminar Series**
"The Effects of Education on Mortality: Evidence From a Representative Sample of American Twins, Siblings, and Neighbors"
Jonas Helgertz, Rob Warren, and Evan Roberts, UMN  
Monday, February 25  
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

"Individual-Level Analyses with Series of Cross-Sectional Data"
Elizabeth Boyle, UMN  
Friday, March 1  
9:00-4:30 p.m., 50 Willey Hall  
Please register

**Federal Bag Lunch**
"Labor Market Power"
Kyle Herkenhoff, UMN  
Wednesday, February 27  
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

"European Immigrants and the United States' Rise to Technological Frontier in the 19th Century"
Costas Arkolakis, Yale  
Thursday, February 28  
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

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Friday, March 1  
10:30 a.m., CSOM 2-224

**Forest Resources Seminar**
"EAB and black ash wetlands: holistic assessment of ecosystem impacts and potential for mitigation"
Rob Slesak, Minnesota Forest Resources Council, and Alex Grinde, UMD-Natural Resources Research Institute  
Monday, February 25  
3:00 p.m., 203 Green Hall

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**Departmental Publications**


Joglekar, Alison K. B., Ulrike Wood-Sichra, and Philip G. Pardey. "Pixelating Crop Production:..."
Consequences of Methodological Choices." Edited by Krishna Prasad Vadrevu. *PLOS ONE* 14, no. 2 (February 19, 2019): e0212281. [https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0212281](https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0212281).


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Announcements

Willard W. Cochrane Lecture in Public Policy
Please mark your calendars to attend the Willard W. Cochrane Lecture in Public Policy on Friday, March 8. It will be held in the Cargill Building of Microbial & Plant Genomics, 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. with a reception immediately following. Please register for this event!

The speaker is David Zilberman, Professor and Robinson Chair, Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics at the University of California-Berkeley. David has quite a bit of open time in the afternoon to meet with faculty and graduate students. Please let Elaine Reber know if you are available to meet with him, starting after 3:30.

CFANS students compete in National Grocers Association Show
Last week a group of ten CFANS students competed against 15 other schools in the 2019 National Grocers Association Show in San Diego, CA. The group made it to semifinals and was comprised of the following students: Alexander Broderius, Amber Cafferty, Claire Lentsch, Elizabeth Wilts, Katherine Gathje, Kayla Leiding, Krista Styer, Leah Ruen, Morgan Krause, and Sena Geleta. These students were coached by Professor Michael Boland and each was assigned a mentor for the trade show.

Jobs

Environmental Scientist
Freestone Environmental Services, Inc., a multi-disciplinary consulting firm, is seeking to hire an Environmental Scientist to provide support to NOAA’s Office of Response and Restoration, Assessment & Restoration Division (ARD). The Environmental Scientist will provide support to the NOAA Assessment & Restoration Division West Coast Branch, which is based in Seattle, WA, and has additional offices in Anchorage, AK, Santa Rosa, CA, and Long Beach, CA. The candidate designs and conducts Natural Resource Damage Assessments (NRDA) for waste sites, with a significant focus on the Hanford Nuclear Site in Eastern Washington. The candidate participates with co-trustees to plan appropriate injury assessment and restoration for natural resource injuries and resolve liability and supports the delivery of NOAA products and services to the public. The candidate fosters cooperation and coordination within and outside of National Ocean Service (NOS) to achieve agency missions, goals, and objectives, including those of the NOAA Restoration Center (RC), Damage Assessment, Remediation, and Restoration Program (DARRP), and Office of Response and Restoration (OR&R). 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). The successful candidate will: design and implement studies on the adverse, positive, and distributive economic consequences of environmental standards and strategies; participate in Agency-wide assessments of costs, benefits, and economic impacts of environmental programs; prepare study reports concerning the economic costs, benefits, and impacts of environmental quality enhancement; collaborate with internal and external stakeholders to improve the science of applied environmental economics. Apply online using job code RTP-OAR-OT-2019-0023.

Research Analyst
The International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) seeks a Research Analyst (RA) for a full-time, one-year, fixed-term, exempt, renewable appointment in the Environment and Production Technology Division (EPTD). The Research Analyst will support research and evaluation on gender and rural development including household survey data collection and analysis. The RA would also play a critical role in communications and capacity building to apply research findings to policy and practice.

The selected candidate will support research that seeks to understand why there are gender gaps in the adoption of agricultural technologies and natural resource practices to support adaptation to climate change, and ways to strengthen women’s rights to resources, particularly land and water, within households, communities, and institutions. The position involves collaborating with other divisions and projects at IFPRI working on gender and agriculture, including the Gender, Assets, and Agriculture Project (GAAP2) and the Women’s Empowerment in Agriculture Index (WEAI). Apply online.

Postdoctoral Associate
Postdoctoral associate position available in natural resource economics at the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies (FES). The successful candidate will contribute to research on approaches to valuing stocks of natural capital, green or sustainability accounting, and/or value of information. The
individual filling this role will collaborate with faculty to develop original research. The primary focus is on extending techniques and developing case studies for the approach laid out in Fenichel et al. 2018 Handbook of Environmental Economics. There may also be opportunities to work on the value of information as it relates to remote sensing products. Applicants are encouraged to visit http://environment.yale.edu/profile/eli-fenichel/research for more information about Dr. Fenichel's ongoing projects. Applicants should send a cover letter describing their interests and skills as they relate to the research, a CV, a description (up to one page) of a computational project he/she has engaged in outside of a class, the contact information for three references, and JMP. Please combine documents into a single pdf.

Postdoctoral Researcher
The Center for Experimental & Applied Economics (CEAE) at the University of Delaware seeks a qualified candidate to serve as a postdoc researcher for 2-3 years with the opportunity for renewal thereafter. The successful candidate will focus on applying experimental and behavioral economics to agri-environmental issues and coastal water issues, such as the reduction of non-point source pollution, environmental and food risks, and conducting randomized controlled trials on voluntary conservation programs. This position and related research is supported from funds from the National Science Foundation and the United States Department of Agriculture. The successful candidate will have the opportunity to co-author several publications and participate in professional conferences. This position also involves opportunities to work on research with graduate and undergraduate students. The successful candidate will work with Dr. Kent Messer, CEAE Director and Dr. Leah Palm-Forster CEAE Associate Director. Submit via email a letter of application, vita, a personal statement, university transcripts (unofficial transcripts are sufficient), and the names of three references to Maddi Valinski, CEAE Lab Manager.

Departmental Seminars

Environmental and Resource Economics
"Equity and Environment: The Role of Imperfect Information"
Catie Hausman, Assistant Professor of Public Policy, University of Michigan
Monday, March 4
12:00 p.m., 230 Ruttan

"Connecting economic models to ecosystem service models: new approaches in the multi-scale integrated assessment modeling"
Steve Polasky, Regents Professor and Fesler-Lampert Professor of Ecological/Environmental Economics, UMN and Justin Johnson, Senior Scientist and Economist, IonE
Monday, March 11
12:00 p.m., 230 Ruttan

Trade and Development
"Innovation and Supply Chains"
David Zilberman, Professor and Robinson Chair, Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics, University of California- Berkeley
**This is the Willard W. Cochrane Lecture in Public Policy**
Friday, March 8
10:30 a.m., 105 Cargill
RSVP ONLINE

Seminars in other departments

MPC Seminar Series
"Fertility and Child Mortality Before the Demographic Transition: Evidence From Nineteenth-Century Egypt"
Mohmaed Saleh, Toulouse School of Economics
Monday, March 4
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

Math Economics Seminar
"Strategically Simple Mechanisms"
Jiangtao Li, Singapore Management University
Monday, March 4
3:30 p.m., HMH 1-103

Minnesota Economics Seminar
TBA
Pol Antras, Harvard
Thursday, March 7
12:00 p.m., CSOM 1-1-43

Finance Department Seminar
TBA
Anthony Defusco, Northwestern
Friday, March 8
10:30 a.m., TBA

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Departmental Publications

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Announcements

General Mills Visit
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UMN Dairy U
April 5 - Please join us for a day of dairy at Dairy U! In partnership with Midwest Dairy we will be taking a group of students Oakdale Hy-Vee for a dairy-focused store tour, Land O'Lakes in Arden Hills for speakers, discussion, and lunch, and then to Autumnwood Farms for a dairy farm and creamery tour. For more details and to register visit this link.

Jobs

Economist
The Colorado State University Extension, Livestock Marketing and Information Center is seeking an Agricultural Economist. The individual in this position is part of the LMIC's Technical Advisory Committee. The individual writes articles and working closely with a central office team to publish newsletters and special reports. The person in this position supports members by providing materials for use in educational programs and by making presentations as requested. The successful candidate: Conducts market analysis including situation and outlook; Writes articles and works closely with central office staff and cooperators to publish newsletters and report (technical and popular press); Performs data evaluation and assists with database management; Assists specialists at partner institutions with data and research needs; Develops materials for and gives presentations and reports to a wide range of audiences (including producer, industry, Federal government, and academic); Oversees enhancement and management of Center database system and supports multi-state and multi-institution outreach efforts and program development. Application details and procedure are available online.

Finance and Grants Manager
The Center for Farm Financial Management, within the Department of Applied Economics at the College of Food, Agricultural, and Natural Resource Sciences is seeking a finance and grants manager to join their dynamic team. The Finance and Grants Manager will work closely with CFFM leadership to help manage CFFM operations and finances. This position will work closely with the CFFM director to manage and implement grants, budgets, revenue, contracts, procurements, and management functions. The person in this position will be the CFFM financial liaison with numerous university entities and other organizations. Duties include: Managing the fiscal activities of CFFM, including developing, managing, and implementing budgeting, contracts, financial reports, foundation accounts, and business correspondence for internal and external sources; Representing CFFM with university and external entities regarding financial and procedural administrative issues; Serving as CFFM interface with University accounting, procurement, and compliance; Developing and managing CFFM budgets and payroll distributions across programs; Developing and improving administrative procedures within CFFM; Managing CFFM merchant accounts, responsible for compliance and reporting of CFFM credit card revenue. To view the full job description and to apply, visit the U of M website and search requisition number 329144.

Post-doctoral Researcher
The School of Marine and Environmental Affairs at the University of Washington is looking for a post-doctoral researcher fellow to contribute to the NSF-funded project entitled: Social-ecological dynamics of recreational fishery landscapes. The project focuses on investigating the coupled natural-human dynamics of recreational fishery landscapes in order to identify pathways and obstacles to effective management and governance. The post-doc will work closely with Dr. Jardine to extend and empirically test theory on the bioeconomics of investment and resource use in recreational fisheries landscapes. The post-doc will also work regularly with a strong and diverse team comprised of fisheries scientists, ecologists, and social scientists. Apply online.

Economist
Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife is seeking a Data Analyst/Economist to join their team. The successful candidate will provide analysis and research for state fish and wildlife licensing data and other department data sets. Serve as the department's educational and training resource for statistical analysis and software programs, including survey development, and data collection and analysis techniques. Provide technical expertise and guidance to Division Administrators and Deputy Administrators as they...
identify appropriate data sources for their assigned outcome and process measures for Administration’s Operational Excellence initiative. Provide economic analysis as it relates to describing the fiscal, organizational, or economic impact of proposed legislation or rulemaking. Provide frequent assistance to the department’s Senior Economist as workload or succession planning efforts require. Inform changes to agency policy or financial actions based on research findings. [Apply online.]

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**Trade and Development**
"The Bigger the Better? Using Lotteries to Identify the Allocative Efficiency Effects of Firm Size"
David Donaldson, Professor, Department of Economics, MIT
Friday, March 15
11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. *NOTE TIME CHANGE*
119 Ruttan

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**Seminars in other departments**

**MPC Seminar Series**
"Estimating Children’s Household Instability Between Birth and Age 18 Using Longitudinal Household Roster Data"
Kelly Raley, UT-Austin
Monday, March 11
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

**Micro-Macro Seminar**
"Disability Insurance and Gender Differences: Evidence from Merged Survey-administrative Data"
Luigi Pistaferri, Stanford
Wednesday, March 13
12:00 p.m., CSOM 1-149

**Federal Bag Lunch**
"Survey Data and Subjective Beliefs in Business Cycle Models"
Jaroslav Borovicka, Minneapolis Fed and NYU
Thursday, March 14
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

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**Departmental Publications**


Wilmes, Emily and Swenson, Rebecca "Engaging Dairy Farmers in Safety Messages: Values, Moral Norms, Barriers, and Implications for Communication," [Journal of Applied Communications: Vol. 103: Iss. 1.](https://doi.org/10.4148/1051-0834.2204)
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Announcements

Departmental Congratulations!
Congratulations to Sara Jensen for being selected by the CFANS Student Board to receive the 2018 Little Red Oil Can Award! This award description states, "All recipients have demonstrated a special concern for others and interest in the general welfare of the community, and are held in high esteem within the campus structure." She will receive her award at the Borealis Night of Excellence on April 11. Past APEC recipients of this award include Elaine Reber, Diane McAfee, Sue Pohlod, and Frances Homans. Congratulations also go to the Agricultural Business Club for being selected by the CFANS Student Board as Exemplary Undergraduate Student Organization!

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Summer Internship Opportunities!
USDA's Economic Research Service is hiring 2019 Summer Interns! Applications are due April 5 and must be submitted through USA jobs. Interns must be U.S. citizens and enrolled in a college or university in Fall 2019. These positions require individuals with a solid foundation in economic theory and strong quantitative skills; experience with data collection, econometric analysis, database management and/or mathematical programming and models and good communication skills. Interns participate in a wide variety of research projects involving agriculture and environment, domestic and international markets, agricultural and trade policy, food safety, diet and nutrition, consumer economics, rural development, and agricultural finance. To apply, visit USA jobs and search for announcement number ERS-PATH19EPO-10452414-CW. student trainee.

Jobs

Agricultural Economist
The USDA is recruiting an agricultural economist performing research, analytical, and regulatory work concerned with the economics and marketing of milk and milk products under the provisions of the Northeast Federal Milk Marketing Area. Primary duties of the position include: Prepare and perform analysis of dairy-related statistics relative to the Northeast Federal Milk Marketing Area and the dairy industry in general; Prepare written monthly reports or longer-term studies for an audience of northeast dairy farmers, interested industry parties, and internal personnel on dairy relevant topics; Appraise milk marketing conditions and the impact of Federal Milk Order provisions and assist with the evaluation of alternatives; Prepare and deliver oral presentations for both internal and external audiences; Compute and prepare price announcements; Assist with records management and any other administrative or regulatory services associated with the implementation of procedures and policies of the Northeast Federal Milk Marketing Area; Represent the Northeast Milk Market Administrator's office at industry and professional activities. Apply for this position by submitting a resume or any other written format you choose to describe your job-related qualifications. A photocopy of your college transcript(s) is suggested. Include the Recruitment Number (19-02) on all application material and email to Lynn Romania.

Agricultural/Development Economist
Scotland's Rural College (SRUC) invites applications for an applied economist (agricultural or development economics) to contribute to research on economic and social aspects of sustainable agricultural practices in South Asia. In the first years, the successful candidate will be contributing to the UKRI GCRF South Asian Nitrogen Hub (SANH), one of the 12 Global Research Hubs announced by UKRI in December 2018 (www.ukri.org/news/new-global-research-hubs-to-tackle-complex-development-challenges/). SANH will advance our understanding of the nitrogen cycle in South Asia and will develop practical approaches together with stakeholders to improve nitrogen management in agriculture and rural livelihoods in the eight participating countries. This position will pursue excellent independent research, secure research funding commensurable with the level of the post, engage in impact activities and supervise postgraduate students. The post will allow for engagement in delivering and developing teaching at postgraduate and undergraduate levels. Read more and apply online.
Fellowships
The School of Marine Science and Policy at the University of Delaware has several Fellowships and Research Assistantships available for Fall 2019. These are focused on environmental and resource economics with an emphasis on marine resources. Students who receive a fellowship will design a curriculum around courses in law, decision analysis and marine sciences, with a concentration in economics. Our faculty includes two members specializing in marine resource economics, as well as others working in environmental and natural resource economics. Individuals with an interest in economics, data analysis, statistics, applied mathematics and/or physical sciences are encouraged to apply. Experience working with statistical software such as Statia, MatLab or R is highly desirable, but not required. Apply online.

Lecturer in Environmental Conservation and Sustainability
The Department of Natural Resources and the Environment at the University of New Hampshire invites applications for a full-time, benefits-eligible, three-year (renewable), non-tenure-track Lecturer position to begin fall term August 2019. UNH Lecturer Faculty are represented by the AAUP through a collective bargaining agreement. UNH is committed to social justice and actively creates an educational environment that fosters diversity, inclusion, and quality engagement for all. A skilled and passionate teacher and mentor will offer undergraduate courses and support the vibrant Environmental Conservation and Sustainability (ECS) Program. This lecturer will be primarily responsible for undergraduate teaching in ECS, and will also engage in on-campus and/or off-campus service responsibilities, including academic advising of undergraduates in the Department of Natural Resources and the Environment. The initial course load will include Principles of Sustainability, Sustainable Living - Global Perspectives, and Systems Thinking for Sustainable Solutions. Continued employment beyond the initial three-year appointment is contingent on satisfactory performance and program needs. Apply online.

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Event and Administrative Associate
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Departmental Seminars

Trade and Development
"The Effect of Teacher Training on Pedagogical Skill"
Paul Glewwe, Professor, and Ricardo Montero, PhD Program, ApEc
Friday, April 12
10:30 a.m., 119 Ruttan

MPC Seminar Series
"Differences in Emergency Department Destination of Emergency Medical Services Transport of Co-Located Patients by Race/Ethnicity and Geography"
Amresh Hanchate, Boston University
Monday, April 1
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

Early Childhood Research and Policy Seminar
"Family Connects: Right from the Start"
Kenneth Dodge, Duke University
Thursday, April 11
9:00-11:00 a.m., Wilson Library
FREE but registration required

Finance Department Seminar
TBA
Carolin Pfleuger, UBC
Friday, April 5
TBA

Federal Bag Lunch
"Mussa Puzzle Redux"
Dmitry Mukhin, Yale
Tuesday, April 2
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room
TBA
Gabriel Ulyssea, Oxford  
Wednesday, April 3  
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

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Announcements

Call for Abstracts
The 2019 Sustainability and Development Conference will take place this year October 11-14 at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. It will cover a suite of key themes related to sustainability and development but broadly focuses on the many global efforts to realize the ambitions of sustainability and development-including the SDGs-and to assess the outcomes of these efforts. Abstracts for posters, workshops, lightning talks, oral presentations, and pre-organized panel sessions are all welcomed. See the webpage for guidelines and other information. The submission deadline is May 1, 2019. Selection decisions will be communicated by May 10, financial assistance decisions by May 15, and registration opens May 17. Invitation letters will be sent to those who register.

Final Defense
"Private R&D Investment in the U.S. Food and Agricultural Sectors and Research Collaboration in the Life Sciences"
Kyuseon (Kristy) Lee, Applied Economics, UMN
Friday, April 12
3:00 p.m., 125 Coffey Hall

IPID Event
Learn about some of the key skills required to get hired in the social sector! Join IPID for workshops from four professionals in the field of international development, non-profits, and corporate social responsibility on Wednesday, April 10th. The workshop will run from 4-6pm in the Wilson Library Collaborative Studio. Sessions will include:
* Nuts and bolts of getting employed in the social sector
* Strategically branding yourself and your past experiences
* Establishing and maintaining your professional network
* Understanding what types of careers you qualify for after you graduate

Food will be provided! Please contact Tyler Vogel with questions.

Jobs

Assistant Professor in Business Analytics
Hamline University is seeking applicants for a tenure track position in Business Analytics, to begin fall term 2019. Evidence of excellence in teaching is essential. Qualified applicants will have completed Ph.D. or D.B.A. or ABD in one of the following fields: Decision Sciences, Economics, Statistics or Marketing with a strong emphasis on Data Analytics. ABD candidates will be considered with anticipated completion within the first year of appointment. Please see the position description and application instructions, or contact Dr. Stacie Bosley (sbosley@hamline.edu) for more information.

Adjunct Positions
Hamline University is seeking applicants for adjunct instructor positions for academic year 2019-2020 in the following areas: International Trade & Finance, Intermediate Macroeconomics, Microeconomics Principles and undergraduate Methods and Modeling for Economics. Please see position descriptions and application instructions, or contact Dr. Stacie Bosley (sbosley@hamline.edu) for more information.

Research Assistants
The University of Warsaw, Faculty of Economic Sciences, Chair of Microeconomics is seeking candidates for two full-time research assistants to prof. Mikołaj Czajkowski (http://www.czaj.org/) to work on the project "New research program devoted to enhancing the validity and robustness of stated preference valuation methods in the face of selected behavioral phenomena and biases" and other research and administration tasks.

The offer: scholarship of 3,500 PLN per month for 2.5 years (subject to a six-month evaluation period) in addition to the base scholarship for PhD students at the University of Warsaw of 3,000 PLN per month for 4 years (Social Sciences PhD school) or 4,500 PLN per month for 4 years (Quantitative Psychology and Economics PhD program). To apply, please send the following materials to mc@uw.edu.pl: (1) cover letter describing your interest in the project and highlighting the related qualifications; (2) resume indicating academic background, relevant coursework (preferably with transcripts / scores), language skills, and research and work experience.
Postdoc
The Georgia Drawdown Project, a collaboration of the Climate and Energy Policy Lab in Georgia Tech’s School of Public Policy, seeks two recent PhDs to become Georgia Drawdown Postdoctoral Fellows. Georgia Drawdown Project, the project that the Postdoctoral Fellows will support, aims to create a transformational vision for the state of Georgia. Candidates will have the opportunity to participate in research and to collaborate with Principal Investigators and faculty from Georgia Institute of Technology, the University of Georgia, and Emory University who are engaged in the Global Change Program, the Ray C. Anderson Center for Sustainable Business, and the Climate and Energy Policy Lab. Applicants should submit: 1) a cover letter; 2) curriculum vitae; 3) 1 or 2 relevant publications; 4) a research statement including a 1-2 page description of your future research plans and how this position fits in your research trajectory; and 5) names and contact information for three references. Applicants should ask their referees to send their letters of reference directly to drawdown@gatech.edu. Applicants should submit all of the other application materials in a combined .pdf format to drawdown@gatech.edu.

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TBA
Zoe Plakias, Assistant Professor, The Ohio State University
Wednesday, April 17
12:00 p.m., 119 Ruttan

Environmental and Resource Economics
"Valuing the Global Mortality Consequences of Climate Change Accounting for Adaptation Costs and Benefits"
Tamma Carleton, Postdoctoral Scholar, University of Chicago
Monday, April 22
12:00 p.m., 230 Ruttan

Seminars in other departments

MPC Seminar Series
"Census Technology, Politics, and Institutional Change, 1790-2020"
Steve Ruggles, UMN and Diana Magnuson, Bethel University
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"The Welfare Impact of Government Policies"
Nathaniel Hendren, Harvard
Wednesday, April 10
12:00 p.m., CSOM 1-149

Math Econ Seminar
"Robust Dynamic Utility in Continuous Time"
Patrick Beissner, ANU
Monday, April 8
3:30 p.m., CSOM L114

Minnesota Economics Seminar
"Reciprocity rather than Money: Public Goods Contribution without Transfers"
Johannes Horner, Yale
Thursday, April 11
12:00 p.m., CSOM 1-143

Federal Bag Lunch
"Business Cycles during Structural Change: Arthur Lewis’ Theory from a Neoclassical Perspective"
Kjetil Storesletten, University of Oslo
Thursday, April 11
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

"Skill-biased Technological Transitions"
Martin Beraja, MIT
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Announcements

Destination Discovery this Friday, April 19!
The St. Paul campus is home to many vital programs, units, and colleges that support the University of Minnesota’s Land Grant mission. However, they are often not very visible to the general public and to potential students.

Destination Discovery Day is designed to collectively increase communication about these areas and develop accessible opportunities to share their research and creative production with the public. We also seek to encourage a connection to the St. Paul campus as a community destination for useful information and to provide a campus experience for potential students.

Applied Economics will be hosting a table on the patio level of Ruttan Hall from 12:00-3:00 p.m. on Friday. Stop by to learn more about our department and win some fun prizes by playing Plinko!

Call for Abstracts!
Interdisciplinary Perspectives on International Development (IPID) and the Humphrey Equity & Inclusion Council are excited to be co-hosting the second annual Research Symposium on International Development and Equity & Inclusion on May 10, 2019 at the Humphrey School of Public Affairs.

The symposium will feature remarks from a keynote speaker, who will be announced in the coming weeks, along with presentations about relevant research in both the International Development and Equity & Inclusion spheres. Lunch will be provided!

Please submit your abstract here.

The symposium will consist of parallel sessions for the International Development and Equity & Inclusion oral presentations, as well as a poster session. Submissions from a wide range of academic disciplines are expected and encouraged, as are submissions from undergraduate, graduate, and former students alike.

Please submit your abstract of no more than 400 words by the end of the day on Monday, April 22nd. We look forward to seeing your submissions!

Jobs

Predoctoral Fellows
The Minnesota Population Center at the University of Minnesota seeks several predoctoral students who understand complex health problems and health disparities as resulting from multiple interacting layers of influence that unfold over chronological, biological, and historical time. The three year program features cross-training in the biology and etiology of disease as well as in the social sciences and is designed to prepare participants to have outstanding careers as population health scientists. Learn more about the program and how to apply online.

Economists
The Economic Research Service (ERS) is readvertising a job announcement to hire Economists at the GS-12 level. If you previously applied to a similar announcement at the end of 2018 or in early 2019 you need to reapply to this one in order to be considered for the positions. These positions are located in the Rural and Resource Economics Division. ERS’s mission is to inform and enhance public and private decision making on economic and policy issues related to agriculture, food, the environment, and rural development. ERS is a primary source of economic information and research in the USDA. ERS economists conduct timely, policy-relevant research on such issues as childhood obesity, international markets and trade, Asian markets, health and nutrition, prices and industrial organization of food and commodity markets, farming risk and resilience, climate change, rural poverty, bioenergy, big data and behavioral economics. Apply online.

Postdoctoral Scientists
The US Environmental Protection Agency’s Water Systems Division is seeking applicants for a postdoctoral scientist in "Market-based incentives for managing excess nutrients in watersheds." seek postdoctoral applicants to join a team of economists, ecologists, engineers, and water quality modelers to study the effectiveness of management programs and policies in watersheds for prevention and mitigation of nutrient pollution. Outcomes of this research may focus on the cost effectiveness of controlling excess nutrients, assessing the uncertainty of controlling excess nutrients, examining market-based incentives for controlling excess nutrients, or linking water quality models to economic models.
The successful candidate will have the opportunity to collect data, evaluate water quality models, study nutrient biogeochemistry, consider aquatic community and system level ecological dynamics, and/or conduct economic analyses as part of the interdisciplinary research team. Managing nutrient pollution for clean water is one of the most challenging environmental issues of the day. The research here seeks comprehensive solutions to this problem with a focus on spatial scaling effects in large watersheds and a high degree of stakeholder involvement. Individual projects benefit from a multi-agency collaborating group that includes water resource protection, water treatment, and soil/water conservation professionals in addition to government and academic scientists and engineers. The research effort will inform our understanding of the feasibility and implementation of market-based approaches, like water quality trading, to nutrient pollution management in watersheds. [Apply online](email)

### Departmental Seminars

**Trade and Development**

"Incentivizing Behavioral Change: The Role of Time Preferences"
Rebecca Dizon-Ross, Assistant Professor, University of Chicago Booth School of Business
Friday, April 19
10:30 a.m., 119 Ruttan

**Agricultural and Applied Economics**

"Tradeoffs in Farm to School Implementation: Larger Foodsheds and Longer Supply Chains Drive More Local Food Expenditures"
Zoe Plakias, Assistant Professor, The Ohio State University
Wednesday, April 17
12:00 p.m., 119 Ruttan

**Environmental and Resource Economics**

"Valuing the Global Mortality Consequences of Climate Change Accounting for Adaptation Costs and Benefits"
Tamma Carleton, Postdoctoral Scholar, University of Chicago
Monday, April 22
12:00 p.m., 230 Ruttan

### Seminars in other departments

**MPC Seminar Series**

"The Joint Influence of Male and Female Socioeconomic Status on the Risk of Divorce, Sweden 1900-1960."
Glenn Sandstrom, Umea University
Monday, April 15
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

**Minnesota Economics Seminar**

"The Fiscal Multiplier" with Iourii Manovskii and Marcus Hagedorn
Kurt Mitman, IIES
Thursday, April 18
12:00 p.m., CSOM 1-143

**Finance Department Seminar**

TBA
Robert Marquez, UC-Davis
Friday, April 19
TBA

**Heller-Hurwicz Economics Institute**

"Building a Better Retirement System"
Tuesday, April 23
5:30 p.m. Panel Discussion, 7:00 p.m. Reception
Cowles Auditorium, Humphrey Conference Center
[More information here](email)
Event is free, but please register to attend.

**HCRC**

"Is the Use of Technology to Personalize Education an Oxymoron?"
Angie Eilers, Ph.D., CEO/Founder of UR TURF
Tuesday, April 16
12:00 p.m., 215 Humphrey School of Affairs

**Federal Bag Lunch**

TBA
Limor Golan, WUSTL
Tuesday, April 16
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

TBA
Sebastian Dyrda, University of Toronto
Wednesday, April 17
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room
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Announcements

Congratulations!
Megan Roberts successfully defended her dissertation at Texas A&M University on farmer mental health and farmer finances. Megan was a graduate of our undergraduate program, completed her M.S. degree at Humphrey and finished her doctorate in ag leadership, communication, and education at Texas A&M University. Megan is now one of our extension educators in agricultural business management. Congratulations, Megan!

Interdisciplinary Collaborative Workshop
The end of the semester event for the Interdisciplinary Collaborative Workshop, "Migration and Migrants in Terrifying Times," will take place on May 9 from 6:30-8:00pm (doors open at 6:00pm) in Cowles Auditorium at the Humphrey School of Public Affairs. The focus of this event will be on the contributions of immigrants to Minnesota and its communities in a changing world. Keynote speakers include Susan Brower (MN State Demographer), Dave Kleis (Mayor of St. Cloud), and Jane Graupman (Executive Director of the International Institute). The event will be moderated by Mukhtar Ibrahim (Founder and Editor of the Sahan Journal). Please share this information widely and RSVP here. Questions? Email icw-migration@umn.edu. RSVP online.

Jobs

Postdoctoral Researchers
IFAD's Research and Impact Assessment Division (RIA) is looking for three postdoctoral researchers. Postdocs will be engaged in RIA's activities and provide support in the following areas: Impact Assessment Projects using ex-post non-experimental approaches; Policy relevant research papers to be published in peer reviewed journal on issues of relevance for IFAD-RIA; Production of policy notes and briefs. The positions will focus on empirical analysis of agricultural household data from developing countries-impact evaluation data and LSMS-type household level data. Post-Docs will be involved in all the activities throughout the project cycle of the Impact Assessment Studies (Planning, Implementation, Analysis, Report Writing and Dissemination). Apply online.

Postdoctoral Researcher
The Department of Earth & Environment at Boston University is looking for a researcher with strong quantitative skills and an interest in large-scale analyses to understand and inform the long-term conservation of private lands in the United States. The position offers the opportunity to work with PLACES, a novel, integrated parcel-level database that allows empirical analyses of private land conservation at unprecedented detail and scale. The ideal applicant will either have (1) own, original research ideas that are competitive for grant funding and will benefit from the use of large-scale parcel data, or (2) a strong interest in being involved with ongoing research on the impacts of protection on conservation outcomes, the prediction of protection costs at the parcel level, and the analysis of site preferences of conservation organizations. Interested applicants can contact assistant professor Christoph Nolte with their CV, a short letter of interest that includes a statement of research interests, two publications, and contact information of two references.

Two Senior Economist Positions
The Agri-Food and Biosciences Institute (AFBI), in Belfast, Northern Ireland is looking for two senior economists:

Senior Economist - Environmental Economics
This position offers the opportunity to join a well-established and multidisciplinary team and to provide a leadership role in the development of research programs in environmental economics. This will include the development of modelling approaches and the use of valuation methods associated with environmental changes in rural areas. The post holder will be expected to develop innovative approaches to this area of research. Apply online.

Senior Economist - Behavioral Studies
This position offers the opportunity to join a well-established and multidisciplinary team and to provide a leadership role in developing and undertaking a strategic Behavioral Studies research program which will provide robust analyses and evidence to inform practical policy design and knowledge transfer to support the competitive development of the agri-food sector and wider rural society. Apply online.

Research Fellow
Charles Sturt University is looking for a research fellow for a project investigating what consumers know about soil stewardship and the demand for its use in agricultural value chains. The project involves quite a lot of qualitative research, and work with both consumers and industry. The successful candidate will...
need to have a doctoral qualification relevant to the disciplines of economics, marketing, business, agriculture or related discipline. [Apply online.]

Social Scientist
This position is located in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service (NOS), National Centers for Coastal Ocean Science (NCCOS), Marine Spatial Ecology Division (MSED) with 1 vacancy in Charleston, South Carolina. In this position you will assist in the execution of sociological, socioeconomic, or social-ecological studies applicable to a range of research topics, including human use of coastal and marine ecosystems, ecosystem service valuation, and community vulnerability; assist in the development of research studies to support the needs of coastal communities, coastal counties/municipalities, coral reef jurisdictions, and the National Marine Sanctuaries and National Estuarine Research Reserves and apply mathematical and statistical techniques to test the validity of sociological, psychological, or economic theories related to social systems, society, or human behavior. Read full description and [apply online.]

Departmental Seminars

Environmental and Resource Economics
"Valuing the Global Mortality Consequences of Climate Change Accounting for Adaptation Costs and Benefits"
Tamma Carleton, Postdoctoral Scholar, University of Chicago
Monday, April 22
12:00 p.m., 230 Ruttan

Agricultural and Applied Economics
"Consumer Preferences for Food Retailer Attributes"
Lauren Chenarides, Assistant Professor, Arizona State University
Wednesday, April 24
12:00 p.m., 119 Ruttan

Seminars in other departments

MPC Seminar Series
"Beyond the End of Hypergamy: Increase in Educational Hypogamy in India"
Sonalde Desai, University of Maryland
Monday, April 22
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

Minnesota Economics Seminar
"Tax Mechanisms and Gradient Flows"
Aleh Tsyvinski, Yale, with Stefan Steinerberger
Thursday, April 25
12:00 p.m., CSOM 1-143

Finance Department Seminar
TBA
Jonathan Berk, Stanford
Friday, April 26
TBA

Heller-Hurwicz Economics Institute
"Building a Better Retirement System"
Tuesday, April 23
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Federal Bag Lunch
None

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Undergraduate Commencement Reception
Join the department in congratulating our 2019 graduating class! The department will be hosting a commencement reception on Friday, May 10 at 9:00 a.m. in Waite Library. We will have donuts, bagels, assorted fruits, coffee and juice. We have invited all graduating seniors and their families to this event, and we hope you will join us and stop in to congratulate our students on their hard work and wish them luck in their future endeavors. RSVP online.

Economist
The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is recruiting for an economist position located in Washington, DC. This position is located in the Economic and Policy Analysis Branch (EPAB) of EPA’s Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (OPPT). EPAB is responsible for performing economic analyses for all OPPT regulatory activities under the Toxic Substances Control Act. EPAB incorporates risk findings with valuation to assess benefits of actions being considered, and combines this information with cost analyses to inform Agency decision makers. The Branch also provides economic analyses of markets, financial feasibility studies, and industry sector studies to inform Agency and private sector decision makers as well as provides economic analyses for strategic planning, priority setting, and the measurement of environmental results. Apply online.

Economist
The Nature Conservancy advances transformative conservation strategies across the marine, terrestrial and freshwater realms, all with an aim of developing models of conservation solutions that can be scaled across and beyond the state. Because market-based approaches are often integral to those strategies, TNC seeks a scientific thought-leader in economics to lead and manage TNC-California's Conservation Economics and Finance Department, a talented and high-performing team with expertise in economics, conservation finance, market design and impact investing. This team provides technical and transdisciplinary expertise that empowers broader multidisciplinary teams to develop and execute strategies that change markets, policy, practice, and governance related to a range of conservation issues. Core to this work is the identification and quantification of the myriad co-benefits of conservation and revealing opportunities to effect behavior change and conservation outcomes through market interventions. The Director of Conservation Economics and Finance also drives a high-impact research agenda and publishes findings to disseminate insights and advances about incentivizing and systemically securing nature protection by aligning environmental and economic interests. Apply online.

Trade and Development
"Effect of Constitutional Provisions on Education Policy and Outcomes"
Anusha Nath, Research Economist, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis
Friday, May 3
10:30 a.m., 119 Ruttan

MPC Seminar Series
"Population-Based Cancer Registries in the U.S.: History and Application to Pediatric Cancer"
Logan Spector, UMN
Monday, April 29
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

Federal Bag Lunch
"Monetary Policy and Sovereign Risk in Emerging Markets"
Cristina Arellano, Minneapolis Fed
Tuesday, April 30
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

Seminars in other departments
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Announcements

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2019 Berkeley School in Environmental and Energy Economics
Thanks to generous funding from the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation, the Berkeley Summer School will take place from August 12 - 16 at the Haas School of Business on the University of California, Berkeley Campus. The goal of the summer school is to provide doctoral students nationwide, who have completed the core first year microeconomics and econometrics requirement with an overview of the most important and current topics in various areas of the fields of environmental and energy economics. Previous incarnations of this summer school have helped first year students identify promising dissertation projects. The instructors' expertise covers a range of important topics. The summer school starts on Monday at noon with a welcome lunch for all attendees, followed by the first session at 1:30pm. For the remaining four days, a morning session (9 am - noon) is followed by an afternoon session (1:30pm to 4:30pm). Breakfasts and lunches are included and there is no tuition. To apply for the summer school, graduate students must be a registered PhD student in an economics department, business or policy school and have completed their first year of coursework. Please submit your application online. Please ask your advisor or a faculty member that knows you well to fill out a recommendation form.

Jobs

Research Associate
The IDLES is an EPSRC funded project focusing on energy system analysis that aims to develop a tool that can indicate optimal forms of future energy systems and provide policy advice on how the development of the energy system should progress. They are seeking to appoint a Research Associate to work within the IDLES project to contribute in particular to developing a finer and better understanding of the drivers of energy demand, both in the industrial and residential sectors. Apply online.

Project Manager
The Center for Indian Country Development (CICD) of the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis is building its capacity to harness diverse forms of facts and knowledge in service of Native communities across the country. The incumbent will support the CICD's mission of supporting the prosperity of Native Nations through actionable research and community collaboration in the following ways: (1) work across the disciplines of policy analysis, economic development, and community engagement and reach diverse stakeholders, including tribal, state, and federal governments, lending institutions, and NGOs; and (2) lead an array of projects and assignments, plan meetings and conferences, analyze data and academic and policy reports, write articles and blogs. Read more and apply online.

Economist
I.M. Systems Group, Inc. is a contractor to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). They seek an economist who will primarily support natural resource damage assessments for cases involving oil and chemical spills, and chronic contamination due to hazardous material releases. Examples of natural resource damage assessments conducted by NOAA include Exxon Valdez, Cosco Busan, Deepwater Horizon, New Bedford Harbor, Commencement Bay, and Montrose. The economist will represent NOAA on trustee councils, and provide economic expertise to pursue and resolve natural resource damage claims, potential litigation, and liability. The economist will also conduct research and methods development in areas such as ecosystem services valuation, and provide technical support for policy initiatives. Apply via the AEA’s Job Openings for Economists website or IMSG’s current opportunities website. A technical writing sample is required and should be sent to Michael Dial.

Departmental Seminars

Trade and Development
"How has the opioid crisis affected U.S. foster care systems?"
Scott Dallman, PhD program, ApEc
Friday, May 10
10:30 a.m., 119 Ruttan

Seminars in other departments
MPC Seminar Series
"Why is childhood so important in understanding why dementia is epidemic among black americans?"
Mark Hayward, UT-Austin
Monday, May 6
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

Micro-Macro Seminar
TBA
Elena Manresa, NYU
Wednesday, May 8
12:00 p.m., CSOM 1-142

2019 Macro Asset Pricing Conference
May 10-11
HMH 1-103
Please register

Federal Bag Lunch
"Screening in vertical oligopolies"
Hector Chade, ASU
Thursday, May 9
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

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Departmental Publications


Announcements

Marginals will resume June 17
Marginals will be taking a break the week of June 10, and will resume as usual on Monday, June 17.

Jobs

Professor/Associate Professor
The Faculty of Agriculture and Forestry, University of Helsinki, invites applications for the position of assistant professor / associate professor / professor in environmental economics. The duties of the position include developing the theory and applications of environmental economics. The appointee will be responsible for developing the teaching on undergraduate (Environmental and Food Economics program YET), postgraduate (Agricultural, Environmental and Resource Economics program AGERE) and PhD levels. Further, active public outreach and cooperation with stakeholders is required.

Apply online.

Seminars in other departments

"Research on woodland owners and sustainable forest-based bioeconomy in Eastern Finland"
Teppo Hujala, Visiting Scientist/Professor
University of Eastern Finland,
School of Forest Sciences
Wednesday, June 12
3:00 p.m., 203 Green Hall
Federal Bag Lunches

"Learning by Trading: The Case of the US Market for Municipal Bonds"

Giulia Brancaccio, Cornell
Tuesday, June 4
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

"The Macroeconomics of the Greek Depression"

Loukas Karabarbounis, Minnesota
Wednesday, June 5
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

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Departmental Publications


Thanks for your understanding!

Marginals has been undergoing changes as we work through a new platform. This means that sends have been a bit wonky and not everyone has received them each week. We're hoping to have the glitches worked out in the very near future. If you have any questions, please contact Sadie Brendalen. Thank you for your patience and understanding!

The Food Industry Annual Report

The 2018-19 TFIC Annual Report is now available online.

Read more

CFANS International Travel Grant Deadline

This is a reminder that the July 1 deadline for the new CFANS International Travel Grant is just around the corner! This grant program aims to support CFANS faculty and staff's international research, or to help offset costs associated with the development of study abroad programming. Click here to view full grant details as well as instructions on how to apply.

Congratulations!

Sunny and Brook welcomed their baby girl, Zema, on June 8th. The new family of three are healthy and happy!

Jobs
Economist

The Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics at the University of Wyoming is seeking applicants for a lecturer position focused on agribusiness and agricultural economics. The successful candidate will be expected to teach undergraduate courses in core agribusiness topics. Specific teaching responsibilities and courses will be established based on departmental need and candidate background. The candidate will also have the opportunity to assist the department in reshaping its core offerings to prepare students for success in agricultural jobs of the future. This is likely to include changing needs for: integrated, interdisciplinary, and online course offerings, student mentoring, and enhanced student-alumni interactions. The individual may also assist in advising/mentoring undergraduate students with agricultural economics degree interests.

Apply online.

Assistant Professor

The University of Southern Denmark in Esbjerg invites applications for a 6-year tenure-track assistant professorship position at the Department of Sociology, Environmental and Business Economics (SEBE) in environmental and resource economics, with a preferred focus on blue (marine and/or maritime) economy. Research in the Department is organized in three research groups, and this position will be part of the Management and Economics of Resources and the Environment group (MERE). The successful applicant is expected to play an active role in the MERE research group and to be able to work collaboratively with colleagues in this and other research groups and centers at the Department.

Apply online.

Research Economist

The National Marine Fisheries Services (NMFS), Northwest Fisheries Science Center (NWFSC), Fishery Resource Analysis and Monitoring Division (FRAM), is seeking a Research Industry Economist, to perform the following duties:

- Serve as a member of the Northwest Fisheries Science Center’s Economic and Social Sciences Research Program to define the scope and scale of research programs in accordance with stakeholders' needs.
- Provide input into the design and implementation of research efforts applying expert knowledge of and guidance on social science methods, products, and information.
- Provide leadership with partners at the West Coast Regional Office and the Pacific Fishery Management Council to help improve applied analyses and adequacy of research goals and direction.
- Design and implement studies to address information needs such as the effects of fisheries regulations and policies on fishers, fishing families, and fishing communities to gather and analyze data and information, as well as develop materials to convey the findings.
Education Outreach and Instruction Director

The Minnesota Council on Economic Education (MCEE) is located in the Department of Applied Economics, a department within the College of Food, Agricultural and Natural Resource Sciences, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities. This position provides content development and coordination of program delivery, delivers or arranges instructors to deliver teacher professional development statewide, assists with writing grants and reports for programs, assists with marketing and communications and supports general administration. Some statewide travel to work with Centers for Economic Education and to deliver teacher professional development workshops involved. Apply using reference number 331258.

Apply online.
Announcements

Adamowicz named one of AERE's 2019 Fellows

W.L (Vic) Adamowicz is the Vice Dean in the Faculty of Agricultural, Life and Environmental Sciences, and a Distinguished University Professor in the Department of Resource Economics and Environmental Sociology, Faculty of Agricultural, Life & Environmental Sciences, University of Alberta. He obtained his BSc and MSc from the University of Alberta (1981, 1983) and his PhD from the University of Minnesota in 1988. Congratulations, Vic!

Jobs

3 Master's level positions

South Dakota State University currently has 3 openings for Master's level positions including: Precision Agriculture Economics Field Specialist, Agricultural Economics and Marketing Extension Field Specialist, and Instructor in Agribusiness. All three of these positions can be accessed via the South Dakota Board of Regents website by clicking the Apply Online link below.

Apply online.

Departmental Publications


https://doi.org/10.1126/science.aaw1572.


Thank you note from Karen!

Dear Friends in Applied Economics,
Thank you ALL so much for the nice send off I received at my retirement party! I appreciate all of the well wishes, the beautifully decorated retirement cake, the food and the gifts. After working in the department for 27 years, it’s hard to believe that I am now retired. So far I love it! Wishing you all the very best!

Sincerely,
Karen Routhe

Sip & See for Senait Senay

Please join us in welcoming (and meeting) Sunny and Brook’s new baby girl Zema.

Thursday, July 11th
Drop by anytime between 11:00am - 1:00pm

Waite Library, Department of Applied Economics
232 Ruttan Hall, 1984 Buford Avenue
St. Paul, MN 55108

Light refreshments will be served.

RSVP online
Economist

Integrated Systems Solutions is seeking an Economist to work within the Office of Performance, Risk, and Social Science. The successful candidate will provide support and develop approaches for conducting economic analyses; assess socio-economic impacts; compile and analyze economic statistics; evaluate economic databases; provide input on high-profile economic data; develop and consult on research plans/projects; develop indicators and performance measures; and report on analyses.

Apply online.
Announcements

Call for fall 2019 work-study opportunities for CFANS students

The College seeks help in identifying part-time jobs or work study opportunities for CFANS students for the upcoming fall semester, 2019. The goal is to identify faculty and staff who have part-time positions available next semester, and place our students in as many of those positions as possible. If you are interested in hiring and undergraduate work-study student or part time student employee, please email Sadie Brendalen, who will send you the form to complete and information on further steps.

Jobs

Postdoctoral Employee

The Department of Urban Planning and Public Policy, in the School of Social Ecology seeks applications to fill a full-time Postdoctoral Employee position in water resources policy. Candidates are required to have a PhD in such fields as natural resources management, environmental economics, water resources engineering, geography, or other fields related to water resources policy. The successful candidate will collaborate with a team of graduate and undergraduate students working on a coordinated set of water resources projects that will manage large datasets. Topics of active research include drinking water quality policy and flood risk management. The postdoctoral fellow can engage in one or both of these topics. Areas of particular interest for drinking water quality include evaluation of the effectiveness of federal and state regulation to ensure safe water for all. Relevant topics related to flood risk management include a national assessment of social vulnerability and disparities in post-disaster assistance.

Apply online

Assistant Extension Professor
The Division of Applied Social Sciences, College of Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources, at the University of Missouri, seeks to recruit a faculty member with experience in economic modeling and data-driven regional economic research. The incumbent will engage with MU’s Business and Communities Extension Program and build effective working relationships with others across campus and across the state to help support an integrated approach to regional economic development in Missouri. Use Job ID #30591 when applying.

Apply online

Postdoctoral Fellow
The School of Marine and Environmental Affairs at the University of Washington, in collaboration with the Northwest Fisheries Science Center, is looking for a post-doctoral research fellow to contribute to research investigating the economics of conservation planning for salmon recovery in the Pacific Northwest of the United States. The post-doc will work closely with Drs. Jardine, Fonner, and Holland to evaluate management scenarios to investigate the cost effectiveness of alternative conservation actions or strategies. The candidate will integrate models of biophysical processes affecting salmon survival (e.g. life cycle models) and data on costs of salmon recovery projects to predict the costs, benefits, and other outcomes of interest, associated with the management scenarios.

Apply online

Economist
The Minnesota Department of Human Services is seeking a PhD economist within the next couple of months to join their team of economists. The Reports & Forecasts division of the Minnesota Department of Human Services has a team of 4 PhD economists who provide forecasts, fiscal analysis and reports for Medicaid, TANF, and other public benefit programs. Due to retirement, we plan to hire another economist in the near future.

A background in health economics and/or time-series forecasting is a plus, but not necessary. The work requires analysis of monthly data on public program caseloads and payments, the ability to apply economic reasoning to policy issues, and the skills to explain fiscal forecasts and analyses to a broad audience. The candidate should have the desire and the ability to become an expert in specific state public policy areas, with understanding of both the relevant data and policy details. Solid econometric training is necessary, but specific data techniques can be learned on the job. Click the button below to contact Susan Snyder for more information and application.

Apply online

Recruitment and Communications Coordinator

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The Agricultural Education, Communication and Marketing program at the University of Minnesota, Department of Applied Economics and Agricultural Education is hiring a **Recruitment and Communications Coordinator**. They are seeking an energetic professional to lead recruitment and marketing efforts for AECE. The specific focus will be to recruit students for Ag Ed undergraduate and graduate majors leading to teacher licensure, and recruit students for the ACM undergraduate major. The ideal candidate has expertise with a range of recruitment and marketing strategies; strong interpersonal and communication skills to build relationships with prospective students and their parents/guardians; and ability to collaborate with faculty, staff, and students in Ag Ed and ACM as well as the Office of Admissions, other CFANS and University units, and the broader stakeholder community. Apply using job ID 331263.

Apply online
Announcements

Congratulations, Sina!


We need your help!

This year, CFANS is asking for volunteers to fill four-hour shifts to help maintain the Virtual Reality station at the State Fair (wiping off goggles between uses), collecting answers to a survey (preloaded on an iPad), general questions and hospitality.

You will receive more information before the fair starts and from the person who is on the shift before you. Volunteer slots are available between 9:00 a.m.- 9:00 p.m., Thursday, August 22 to Monday, September 2 in the...
Ag/Hort building. All volunteers receive a FREE ticket.

Sign up here!

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Jobs

Economist

The Conservation Strategy Fund (CSF) is seeking a dynamic leader to serve as their Lead Economist. This is a unique opportunity to work at the intersection of economic development and nature conservation. To apply, please send a cover letter and CV to the button below.

Apply online

Research opportunities

The EPA's Office of Land & Emergency Management (OLEM) has two open ORISE Research Participation Opportunities in the Office of Communications, Partnerships and Analysis. The first opportunity focuses on program evaluation and impact analysis of OLEM's programs and policies. The second focuses on evaluating renewable energy opportunities on contaminated land.

Evaluation of OLEM Program Impacts

Evaluation of Renewable Energy Opportunities on Contaminated Land

Seminars in Other Departments

Federal Bag Lunches
“Exchange Rates and Asset Prices in a Global Demand System”
Motohiro Yogo, Princeton
Tuesday, July 23
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

Pedro Teles, Catolica-Lisbon, SBE
Wednesday, July 24
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

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Departmental Publications


Announcements

2019 Faculty Meetings

The faculty meetings for 2019-20 have been scheduled in room 119 from 1:30-3:00 on the following Fridays:

- September 6
- October 11
- November 8
- December 6
- February 7
- March 6
- April 3
- May 1

Google calendar invites have been sent out and the information will soon be available on the intranet.

We still need your help!

This year, CFANS is asking for volunteers to fill four-hour shifts to help maintain the Virtual Reality station at the State Fair (wiping off goggles between uses), collecting answers to a survey (preloaded on an iPad), general questions and hospitality.

You will receive more information before the fair starts and from the person who is on the shift before you. Volunteer slots are available between 9:00 a.m.- 9:00 p.m., Thursday, August 22 to Monday, September 2 in the Ag/Hort building. All volunteers receive a FREE ticket.

Sign up here!
Economist

RTI International has an opening for a natural resource and environmental economist within its Center for Applied Economics and Strategy with interest in research topics at the nexus of agriculture, energy, water, and resource management. The successful candidate will conduct economic and policy analysis on a wide range of topics and will carry strong data management, analysis, and communication skills. The work requires implementing the best available theory and methods in assessing environmental and economic outcomes to report cogent and actionable results to clients.

Apply online

Economic Specialist

Responsibilities include developing research designs, conducting interviews, designing database, entering data, analyzing data, visualizing data, producing outreach materials, supporting annual report compilation, making presentations to professional and lay groups, and writing reports and manuscripts for publication. Works with PIFSC and JIMAR economists to conduct field research on commercial and recreational vessels seafood markets in the Pacific Islands Region. Assists in developing research strategies and designing survey forms. Full job description is available online.

Apply online

Assistant/Associate Professor

The Haskayne School of Business at the University of Calgary invites applications for an Associate Professor (with tenure) or Assistant Professor (tenure-track) in Finance, with expertise in Energy and/or Environmental Policy. This is a full-time appointment and includes a secondment of 75% to the School of Public Policy. Read full announcement and apply online.

Apply online

Economist

The Keystone Research Center seeks an experienced quantitative analyst, Ph.D. in labor economics or a related field (economic geography, labor relations, urban studies, sociology, political science, etc.) The mission of the Keystone Research Center is to promote broadly shared prosperity in Pennsylvania including by providing high-quality research and analysis
married with communications (via traditional earned media and social media) and partnerships with advocates. This position spans the worlds of academic research and public policymaker. It offers the opportunity to “make a difference,” to work closely with policymakers, the media, and networks of skilled progressive economic researchers from across the country, and to advance within the field internally or at other organizations. To apply, email a single PDF containing letter of interest, resume, references with contact information, and short writing samples (less than 25 pages if possible, 50 pages maximum) to Keystone Research Center.

Apply online

Departmental Publications


Announcements

**Sad news**

Professor Emeritus Jerome Hammond passed last Thursday, August 8, after a long battle with cancer. Professor Hammond's research focused on price and marketing policies in developing countries, structural changes in the U.S. dairy industry, and dairy industry prices. He taught courses on agricultural marketing, prices, and dairy marketing and policy. Information on a memorial service has not yet been shared, but will be passed on when made available.

**AERE seeks candidates for editorial position**

AERE’s official research journal, the *Journal of the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (JAERE)*, will have an open editorial position starting January 1, 2020. JAERE has a team of four editors (currently with Chris Timmins, Don Fullerton, Jen Alix-Garcia, and Sheila Olmstead), and Don will be stepping down at the end of this year. Duties for each member of the team of four editors include assigning all incoming submissions to editors and co-editors approximately three months per year, handling about 30 submissions per year (finding referees, obtaining reports and making decisions about papers’ final dispensation), working with their excellent team of co-editors, and interacting with the AERE Board and the University of Chicago Press on behalf of JAERE. Interested candidates should submit a statement of interest to AERE President Dan Phaneuf by September 15, 2019.

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Volunteer roles include setup, cleanup, check-in, lunch table hosts, ice cream scoopers,
photographers and more. Please sign up for volunteer roles for one OR both days on this form. Contact Bre Berg with any questions.

Jobs

Research Assistant

The Research and Impact Assessment Division from the International Fund for Agricultural Development, a specialized agency of the United Nations in Rome, is looking for a research assistant to work on impact evaluations of IFAD-supported projects as well as broader development research. This will be a consultancy based in Rome possibly (80 days starting in September). The consultant will work on survey design and data analysis, and contribute to research papers. Knowledge of machine learning would be an asset as well as some knowledge of Spanish and/or French. Contact Alessandra Garbero to apply.

Postdoctoral Researcher

The School of Public Policy (SPP) at the University of California – Riverside (UCR) is searching for a postdoctoral researcher in the area of water economics and policy. The successful candidate will have a Ph.D. in economics, agricultural economics, or a closely related field, excellent oral and written communication skills, and the potential or demonstrated ability to conduct independent quantitative research in the area of water economics and policy. Candidates with experience using statistical models, geocomputation, and machine learning are highly desired. The initial appointment will be for one year with the opportunity to extend the appointment for an additional year, pending positive performance reviews, and the availability of funding.

Apply online

Senior Economist

The Senior Technical Specialist (Economist) is an expert and knowledge builder in her/his thematic specialization. He/She provides technical expertise and guidance on generating and using new ideas to enrich the knowledge base that supports the Fund's policy agenda. With corporate, rather than country or regional specific focus, he/she provides substantive contribution to understanding future trends in rural development strengthening IFAD's strategic planning perspective and pro-actively fostering innovative and effective solutions to rural poverty within country programmes, IFAD policy, member governments, the academic community, and public opinion in the international development community. Contact are with counterparts and senior officials within other United Nations organizations and with officials of governments, non-governmental and intergovernmental organizations, research institutes and academia. Work at this level is characterized by technical leadership in field of specialization in collaboration with professional and support staff of a unit or by the provision of authoritative technical advice.
Apply online

Adjunct Professors

The Economics Department at St. Catherine University is looking for adjunct professors to teach in 2019-20. Adjuncts will teach Principles of Microeconomics, Principles of Macroeconomics, or Introduction to Statistics, either face-to-face or online. If you are interested please contact Department Chair Kristine West.

Postdoctoral Research Associate

The University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, seek a highly motivated, dedicated postdoctoral research associate to conduct innovative research with the economic modeling group at the Center for Advanced Bioenergy and Biofuels Innovation at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. The focus of this position is on conducting problem-oriented and policy relevant research developing computational and econometric models to understand the economic and behavioral incentives for technology adoption and its environmental implications for land use change, water quality and carbon emissions, with application to bioenergy. Applicants who meet all the criteria should send the following materials in a single pdf file by email to Anya Knecht with postdoc application in the Subject line: (1) curriculum vita, (2) a letter describing research interests and experience, (3) a recent research paper and (4) names and contact information for three references.

Seminars in other departments

Federal Bag Lunch

"Physician Bias and Racial Disparities in Health: Evidence from Veterans' Pensions"
Trevon Logan, OSU
Tuesday, August 13
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room
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Jobs

Research Agricultural Economist

The ERS is hiring a research agricultural economist, located at the ERS Market & Trade Economics Division International Trade and Development (ITD) Branch. Duties of this position include conducting policy-relevant research on the economic and policy factors in the United States and elsewhere that affect markets for agricultural products, defining new lines of
research in response to emerging policy issues, when appropriate formulating research plans, developing methodology, determining data needs, and defining resources needed to carry out complex economic research and analysis programs of great significance, difficulty, and national importance. Full description and application are available online.

Assistant Professor

The Humphrey School seeks to hire a tenure-track advanced Assistant Professor, or Associate Professor eligible for tenure at the University of Minnesota whose research, scholarship, academic leadership and service focus broadly on global policy. The successful candidate must have strong, demonstrated applied research and teaching interests in comparative foreign policy, international relations, international economics and trade policy, and/or global environmental policy.

Research Analyst

The Peterson Institute for International Economics, a leading think tank located at Dupont Circle, Washington, DC, seeks a full-time research analyst to work with Dr. Chad P. Bown on projects on international trade policy and trade agreements. Responsibilities include collecting and analyzing economic data, producing charts and graphs for publication and presentations, doing econometric analysis, reviewing policy texts, writing literature reviews, and summarizing results.

Economist

The Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service provides technical assistance as an Economist for conservation planning and related training. Develops economic resource data for all Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) activities related to resource planning. This person will provide staff leadership for economic phases of natural resource planning activities, prepare economic tables and narrative for inclusion in the natural resources plans, collaborate with other agencies in collecting, assembling, and summarizing economic data obtained by interviews concerning damages and frequency of occurrence of damages.
Senior Data Analyst

IPUMS is hiring a senior data analyst to join the team of researchers and technical staff developing their full-count historical U.S. census database. The person in this position will have a strong data-driven social science background, who enjoys the technical aspects of data work. The census data need to be cleaned, new data merged in, editing routines and techniques developed, and millions of strings of data coded into useful classifications. The data are far too large for manual inspection, requiring efficient data analysis with innovative, scalable approaches including machine learning processing. Apply using job ID 332286.

Apply online

Seminars in other departments

Heller-Hurwicz Economic Institute
"The Four Horsemen of the Economic Revolution"
Thursday, August 22, 2019
5:00 pm, Panel Discussion
6:30 pm, Reception
RSVP online

Federal Bag Lunch
"Growing Apart: Tradable Services and the Fragmentation of the U.S. Economy"
Fabian Eckert, Yale
Tuesday, August 20
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

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Help welcome our students back to campus!
In honor of the new school year starting, the department will be having donuts, fruit and juice in Waite Library tomorrow beginning at 8:30 a.m. Feel free to stop by and say hello and make our students feel welcome in the department.

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J-PAL is looking for exceptional talent to help them find solutions to some of the world’s greatest challenges. Join their team of collaborative, engaging, and intellectually curious staff who support their mission of reducing poverty by ensuring that policy is informed by scientific evidence. If you would like to see a comprehensive list of their open positions please contact Sadie Brendalen.

Jobs

Postdoctoral Research Associate
The Division of Resource Economics and Management at West Virginia University invites applications for a Postdoctoral Fellow with a focus on land use and Food-Energy-Water (FEW) modeling. The position is funded by a research grant from The National Science Foundation (NSF) and will focus on examination of interdependencies between energy and agricultural markets, trade policies, and sustainability of water resources. The successful candidate will engage in analytical and empirical modeling of agricultural commodity markets with spatial land use and watershed management components. The ideal candidate will have i) strong quantitative training in mathematical modeling (GAMS), ii) ability to learn and work with watershed and land management modeling tools (e.g. EPIC/APEX or similar), and iii) experience in econometric analysis and Geographic Information Systems.

Apply online

Economist
CSF is seeking a dynamic and talented individual to serve as our Lead Economist. This is a unique opportunity to work at the intersection of economic development and environmental conservation. The Lead Economist ensures CSF’s global work is technically excellent and delivers conservation impact. The Lead Economist is responsible for ensuring technical excellence and conservation impact from CSF’s global body of work. S/he does this through technical and practical understanding of the interface between conservation and development, ability to drive policy change, and by inspiring and supporting CSF’s analytical staff.

S/he provides guidance and leadership in conservation economics for the organization, ensures alignment of CSF’s mission and our economics agenda and programmatic work across our country offices, and has a leading role in representing CSF to donors and new audiences, developing new collaborations, and bringing in new opportunities.

Apply online

Ag Economist
This position is located in the Market and Trade Economics Division, Animal Products and Cost of Production Branch (APCOP). APCOP conducts a program of economic research, information, & analysis for livestock, dairy, & poultry markets & agricultural commodity cost of production. This person will serve as an Agricultural Economist working in the area of market research, analysis and outlook for cattle/beef.

Apply online

**Ag Economist**

K-State Research & Extension's Kansas Farm Management Association program is searching for candidates desiring to join our team of professionals as Extension Agricultural Economists. K-State, cooperating with Kansas Farm Management Association Northeast, has issued this search for individuals interested in assisting farms and ranches to develop strategies linking farm production and financial information to management decisions to improve profitability. Extension Agricultural Economist is expected to develop and maintain a relationship with membership of approximately 100 cooperating commercial farms; assist cooperating farms with development of a comprehensive and accurate accounting of the farms; complete records are the essential foundation of all KFMA services provided; learn and understand federal and state income tax regulations as they apply to farm businesses; collect, process, and verify financial and production information from cooperating farms to be utilized by K-State Research and Extension for research, teaching, and other Extension programs; market and promote KFMA by supporting county, area, and state Extension personnel with technical expertise in the area of farm business and farm income tax management and participate in continuing education to expand farm income tax and farm management technical skills.

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Trade and Development
"Immigration and Crime in Switzerland: Evidence from Micro Data"
Rohan Gudibande, UMN
Friday, September 6
10:30 a.m., 119 Ruttan

Seminars in other departments

Life Course Center Seminar
"Retirement Decisions in a Couple Context"
Maria Eismann, University of Amsterdam
Wednesday, September 4
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

MPC Seminar
"Unwanted Fertility: Measures and Trends"
John Casterline, The Ohio State University
Monday, September 9
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

Federal Bag Lunch
"Underemployment in the US and Europe"
David Blanchflower, Dartmouth
Tuesday, September 3
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

"Good Dispersion, Bad Dispersion"
Matthias Kehrig, Duke
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Congratulations, Amber!
Applied Economics grad student, Amber Roberts, has been selected as the top recipient of the NMPF National Dairy Leadership Scholarship. This award is given to students who exhibit academic excellence and whose research demonstrates a strong, positive contribution to the dairy industry. Amber also received the Anthony Grano Scholarship at the AAEA and was awarded third place in the Graduate Student Extension competition. Excellent work, Amber!

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CFANS Study Abroad & Global Engagement Fair

Join us at the CFANS Study Abroad and Global Engagement Fair on Wednesday, September 11th from 11 am to 2 pm on the lawn in front of Coffey and Ruttan Halls! Visit with program leaders, learn more about CFANS study abroad programs, discover how to go global on campus, and more!

Go global at the CFANS Study Abroad and Global Engagement Fair, taking place on Wednesday, September 11th from 11 am to 2 pm! Learn about the many study opportunities available to students as well as information on scholarships, free passports, and international programming right here on campus. Enjoy live music, a Target gift card raffle, and more!
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Jobs

Tenure-track positions: Boston University
Applicants should demonstrate methodological expertise in a social science discipline, a strong research record investigating socio-environmental systems, and evidence of their potential to enhance intellectual connections across disciplines within the Department and the University. Boston University’s Department of Earth and Environment has openings for two tenure-track faculty positions at the Assistant Professor level, pending budgetary approval. We seek colleagues to conduct research and teach in the social, behavioral, and economic dimensions of coupled human-natural systems, and the economic and policy dimensions of natural resources extraction, governance, use and conservation. Applicants should demonstrate methodological expertise in a social science discipline, a strong research record investigating socio-environmental systems, and evidence of their potential to enhance intellectual connections across disciplines within the Department and the University.

Apply online

Post Doctoral Fellow
The West Virginia University Regional Research Institute (RRI) is seeking applicants for a Postdoctoral Researcher. The RRI is dedicated to multidisciplinary research on the economic and social development of lagging regions. Its focus is on theories and methods for studying regions, and policies for stimulating their development. Ongoing research projects deal with rural economic growth and job creation, environmental analysis, energy policy and technology, and methods for regional policy analysis. RRI research projects have been funded by the National Science Foundation, the USDA, the Economic Development Administration,
Post Doctoral Researcher

The Alaska Center for Climate Assessment and Policy (a NOAA Regional Integrated Science and Assessment team) seeks a post-doctoral research fellow to explore the social and economic impacts of climate change in Alaska from an interdisciplinary perspective. Possible sectors of analysis include but are not limited to fisheries (including ocean acidification), transportation (and trans-Arctic shipping), infrastructure, mineral, oil & gas resource development, mixed-subsistence economies, and the provision of related climate services. We are also interested in an analysis of the economic impacts of ACCAP’s work.

Based in the International Arctic Research Center at the University of Alaska, Fairbanks (UAF), ACCAP specializes in interdisciplinary research and stakeholder engagement to meet the science and information needs related to climate change in Alaska.

This post-doctoral fellowship includes opportunities to directly engage ACCAP’s partners and stakeholders in use-inspired basic research and knowledge co-production. The person in this position will work closely in an interdisciplinary team environment that includes a spectrum of senior scientists, junior scientists, graduate students, and research professionals. Collaborating organizations include the Center for Arctic Policy Studies (CAPS) at UAF, the Institute of Social and Economic Research (ISER) at the University of Alaska, Anchorage, and other ACCAP partner organizations.

To apply submit CV, contact information for three references, and a cover letter to Sarah Trainor with “Econ Post-Doc Application” in the subject line. The cover letter should include a description of the candidate’s PhD research, a statement of interest outlining potential research project, including sectors of interest, and research approach, and past experience with research in Alaska and/or the Arctic.

Senior Economist

This position offers the opportunity to join a well-established and multidisciplinary team and to provide a leadership role in the development of research programs in environmental economics. This will include the development of modelling approaches and the use of valuation methods associated with environmental changes in rural areas. The post holder will be expected to develop innovative approaches to this area of research.
Business Data Analyst

Community Planning and Economic Development is seeking a Business Data Analyst to perform economic research, data analysis, data visualization, and business systems improvements to support our work helping businesses in Minneapolis, particularly those businesses owned by people of color. The position will provide strategic, analytical, and technical support for business intelligence and analytic activities, perform economic and market research, and contribute to broader policy initiatives and systems improvement efforts, among other duties. We're looking for candidates with strong knowledge of economic development and/or market research sources, methods, and technical tools to source and organize data. Candidates should also have strong communication skills and the ability to collaborate effectively with colleagues, other partners, and people from diverse economic, cultural, and racial backgrounds.

Apply online

Departmental seminars

Trade and Development
"Screening and Recruiting Talent at Teacher Colleges using Predicted Teacher Effectiveness"
Christopher Neilson, Princeton
Friday, September 13
10:30 a.m., 119 Ruttan

Seminars in other departments

Macalester Economis Research Seminar
"Are Jobs Changing? Work-Life Balance, the Gig Economy, and the Drivers of Alternative Work Arrangements"
Alex Mas, Princeton
Friday, September 13
3:30 p.m., Harmon Room, Dewitt Wallace Library

MPC Seminar
"Unwanted Fertility: Measures and Trends"
John Casterline, The Ohio State University
Monday, September 9
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Micro- Macro Seminar
"The Industrial Revolution in Services"
Chang-Tai Hsieh, University of Chicago-Booth
Wednesday, September 11
12:00 p.m., HMH 4-170
Life Course Center Seminar
"Is Health Care the New Manufacturing? Industry, Gender, and "Good Jobs" for Low and Middle-Skill Workers"
Janette Dill, UMN
Wednesday, September 11
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

Federal Bag Lunch
"Mortgage Prepayment and the Path-Dependent of Monetary Policy"
David Berger, Northwestern
Tuesday, September 10
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

"The Welfare Effects of Subsidizing Rural-Urban Migration"
David Lagakos, UCSD
Thursday, September 12
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Announcements

Congratulations to the Bozic Family!
Alexander Aurelius Bozic was born on Monday, September 9. Everyone is doing great! Join us in sending a happy congratulations to Marin and his family to welcome new baby Alexander.

Call for Proposals
The next annual AAEA meeting, being held in Kansas City, July 26-28, 2020 is seeking proposals. Submissions can follow any of the standard session formats described by AAEA guidelines (four presentations with no discussants or panelists; three presentations with one discussant; two presentations with two discussants; up to five panelists, a "Lightning Session" with approximately 8 papers, so each speaker has about 9-10 minutes to present). They are particularly (but not only) interested in topics in international trade, including agri-business policy and current related trade issues, as well as trade policy in Africa; pre-analysis plans at various stages, for experiments and RCTs, but also for observational studies; and conceptual and methodological innovations on current practices.

In addition, there will be one or two sessions specifically for PhD candidates to present their Job Market Paper (those who graduate in 2020 or 2021). For these papers, they will drop the AAEA request that they should not have been presented elsewhere.

If you are a PhD candidate interested in the JMP session, please send a draft of your JMP to Anna Josephson no later than October 24.

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CFANS Mentor Program
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Discover how you can find a mentor or serve as mentor, apply by September 23: z.umn.edu/mentor.

Data Storage Fair September 19
At the Data Storage Fair, representatives from storage service providers such as the Office of Information Technology, the Minnesota Supercomputing Institute, the College of Liberal Arts, and U of M Libraries will share information about data storage tools including Box, Google Drive, Crashplan, DRUM, Elevator, Stratus, and more. Stop by to learn more about services available to safely and securely store digital data, including research data. 2-4 p.m., Room 50, Humphrey School.

Jobs

Assistant Professor: Texas A&M
The Department of Agricultural Economics at Texas A&M University is seeking an Assistant Professor in Agricultural Marketing and Quantitative Analysis. This position will contribute to the advancement of research and teaching programs related to agricultural economics, agricultural marketing and quantitative analysis. They will be expected to develop a nationally recognized research program by conducting and disseminating original research related to agricultural economics, agricultural marketing and quantitative methods, teach grad/undergrad courses, mentor and advise students and secure external funds. To apply, send a letter of application indicating qualifications and interest, a current CV, transcripts, JMP or writing sample and three letters of reference via email to Mark L. Waller.

Assistant Professor: University of Florida
This is a 9-month tenure-accruing position that will be 60% extension (Florida Cooperative Extension Service) and 40% research (Florida Agricultural Experiment Station), available at the Tropical Research and Education Center, (TREC), Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, the University of Florida (UF/IFAS), Homestead. This assignment may change in accordance with the needs of the Unit. The position emphasizes a mix of production and natural resource economics. Specifically, the focus will be on developing an integrated research and extension education program relevant to South Florida to address issues impacting or having the potential to impact production and marketing of vegetable, fruit, ornamental and agronomic crops. Additionally, the faculty member will conduct non-market valuations of ecosystem goods and services and cost benefit analysis of environmental and natural resource management and policies.
**Associate Coastal Economist: CSS, Inc.**

CSS, Inc., under contract to NOAA's Office for Coastal Management (OCM) is seeking an experienced Economist to provide economic data and information to meet the needs of NOS's Office for Coastal Management work. This position can be located in either Silver Spring, MD or Charleston, SC. The Economist will be responsible for developing, analyzing, and communicating socioeconomic data and trends in support of national, state, and local coastal and natural resource conservation and management planning and initiatives; providing timely, accurate, and relevant economic data and information to partners and the interested public via web pages and other relevant portals; co-leading economics trainings that educate partners and the public on gathering economic indicator data and understanding and doing economic analyses; conducting research on economic phenomena, gathering new data and developing new approaches to estimate industry contribution to the marine economy and developing materials (reports, presentations, brochures) to convey socioeconomic information.

**Quantitative Finance Analyst: Bank of America**

Enterprise Model Risk Management seeks a quantitative analyst to conduct independent testing and review of models used for loss forecasting, regulatory and economic capital, and allowance including CECL and IFRS 9. These are high profile modeling areas in the bank, with continual senior management and regulatory focus. This person will be responsible for independently conducting quantitative analytics and modeling projects, developing new models, analytic processes or systems approaches, creating documentation for all activities and working with Technology staff in design of any system to run models developed.

**Empirical Public Economist: UC-Riverside**

The Department of Economics at the University of California, Riverside invites applications for an Associate Professor position in the area of Empirical Public Economics. All areas of empirical public economics will be considered. Having broad interests in public policy and doing empirical research informed by economic theory will be viewed favorably. The selected candidate will be expected to teach a Ph.D. level course that provides broad coverage of empirical work in public economics, as well as to teach in the undergraduate program; guide the research of doctoral students; be committed to an ongoing state-of-the-art research program; provide leadership in the Department and render service to the university and profession.
Departmental seminars

Trade and Development
"Hunger as War: Hitler's Hunger Plan, Native American Resettlement and Yemen"
C. Ford Runge, Professor, UMN and Linnea Graham, UMN ApEc Master's student
Friday, September 20
10:30 a.m., 119 Ruttan

Seminars in other departments

MPC Seminar
"Population-Based Registries in the United States: History and Application to Pediatric Cancer"
Logan Spector, UMN
Monday, September 16
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

Applied Micro Seminar
Jihye Jeon, Boston University
Tuesday, September 17
12:00 p.m., HMH 4-170

Micro-Macro Seminar
"Taxation and Household Decisions: an Intertemporal Analysis"
Maurizio Mazzocco, UCLA
Wednesday, September 18
12:00 p.m., HMH 4-170

Life Course Center Seminar
"The Path to Job Loss"
Sarah Damaske, Penn State
Wednesday, September 18
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

Applied Micro/Minnesota Economics Seminar
"Child Care and Early Childhood Skill Development"
Matt Wiswall, UW Madison
Thursday, September 19
12:00 p.m., HMH 4-170
Federal Bag Lunch
TBA
Fabrizio Zilibotti, Yale
Friday, September 20
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

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Departmental Publications


MARGINAL MEMOS

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Announcements

Fall edition of the Minnesota Applied Economist available online

The Fall 2019 edition of the Minnesota Applied Economist is now available on our website. Highlights include our scholarship and fellowship recipients, “Agriculture and the Economic Growth of Nations,” by Terry Roe and Harumi Nelson, the Outstanding Alumni Awards and work being done by our graduate students. Enjoy!

Save the date!

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Application Instructions for 2020-21 Interdisciplinary Doctoral Fellowships at MPC

RSVP online
Students seeking to hold an IDF in 2020-21 at the MPC should email mpctrain@umn.edu to indicate their interest. Although the Graduate School's deadline is noon, Friday, November 15, 2019 applicants must submit their application packet (minus the letter of support from MPC's Director) to mpctrain@umn.edu and CC MPC Training Director Ann Meier meierann@umn.edu by October 22, 2019. The applicants themselves should send their application, CV, proposal and unofficial transcript. Each applicant's advisor and faculty mentor should send their letters directly to Ann Meier prior to the deadline. MPC will then select applications to endorse, and will provide letters of support to the graduate school accordingly.

MPC will make its review and notify applicants of decisions by Friday, November 8, 2019. Prior to Wednesday, November 12, 2019 successful applicants will receive a PDF copy of a letter of support from MPC Director Rob Warren to be included with their applications to the Graduate School.

The MPC review committee will consider how each applicant would benefit from residence in MPC's interdisciplinary intellectual community and how MPC would benefit from each applicant's residence.

Please email any questions for the MPC at mpctrain@umn.edu
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Jobs

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Apply online

**Senior Economist: RTI International**

RTI International has an opening for a senior natural resource and environmental economist within its Center for Applied Economics and Strategy (CAES). The center has a diverse portfolio of contract- and grant-funded research in the areas of the environment and natural resources, agriculture, energy efficiency, innovation, and economic development. In this role, the successful candidate will:

- develop and assess various models to solve scientific, engineering, or economic problems within the environmental sector. Requiring demonstrated programming efficiencies working
across one or more of the following: R, python, and/or other mathematical software packages commonly used for large-scale modelling (e.g. GAMS).

- obtain, process, and analyze technical data using statistical and modelling software to produce high quality research for government agencies, foundations, and non-profit organizations.
- communicate insights in an understandable and usable form leveraging customized data visualization tools.
- collaborate and consult with other research entities to implement the best available theory and methods in assessing environmental and economic outcomes to report cogent and actionable results to clients.

Apply online

Assistant Professor: Purdue

The Department of Agricultural Economics, West Lafayette campus at Purdue University is seeking an Assistant Professor to help lead the Department's applied research and engagement efforts in agricultural policy. The individual will analyze agricultural policy and its effects in areas such as crop insurance, commodity programs, conservation programs, and trade policy for producers in Indiana and beyond. The candidate's applied research program will contribute to nationally recognized outreach and academic research programs. They will develop a reputation as a key resource for policymakers, producers, industry, and taxpayers in analyzing the consequences of proposed policy alternatives. The individual will also contribute to teaching at the undergraduate and/or graduate level. Finally, opportunities will exist to work with the Department’s many centers of excellence including the Center for Commercial Agriculture, the Global Trade Analysis Project, and the Center for Food and Agricultural Business. This is an academic year appointment.

Apply online

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Apply online
Food Systems Economics Science Fellow: NRDC, New York

NRDC is seeking a full-time, two-year post-doctoral Science Fellow who can bring an economic perspective to food system work, providing subject matter expertise and conducting research and analysis on the economic levers that drive the current food system and the economic implications of the changes they are seeking. The Fellow will support the team's work across issues and projects, develop new analyses to advance NRDC's food system goals, produce research-based documents and publications, identify policy and market solutions to advance NRDC goals, collaborate with partner organizations, and engage in communications efforts.

The Fellow will spend approximately 70% of their time on a big-picture research project, and 30% of their time working with program staff to enhance current work.

Apply online

Departmental seminars

Trade and Development
"Empowering adolescent girls in the face of war and disease: Evidence from South Sudan and Sierra Leone"
Markus Goldstein, Lead Economist/Africa, World Bank
Friday, September 27
10:30 a.m., 119 Ruttan

Seminars in other departments

MPC Seminar
"Algorithmic Risk Assessment in the Hands of Humans"
Jennifer Doleac, Texas A&M
Monday, September 23
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

Federal Bag Lunch
"Earnings Growth, Job Flows and Churn"
David Wiczer, Stony Brook University
Tuesday, September 24
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

Federal Bag Lunch
"An Econometric Model of International Long-run Growth Dynamics"
James Stock, Harvard
Friday, September 27
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2019 Community Fund Drive kicks off today!
It's that time of year where we can make a difference in our community by donating to a cause near and dear to our hearts. Whether that is compassion for families caring for a sick child, the homeless and hungry, education or protecting the environment, the Community Fund Drive allows you to donate to the cause you care about most.

It's easy to give online. Simply go to 2019 Community Fund Drive and click the "Donate now" button. There you can select your type of donation.

In addition to online giving, this year the University is working to collect children's books for the less fortunate, as all children deserve to learn the joy of reading! You can find a collection box in 231D Ruttan Hall to donate your new or gently used children's books.

We appreciate the thoughtfulness and generosity of everyone who is able to contribute in any fashion.

Friends Forum: A Series For Curious Minds!
Gotta Minute? (for Silly but Serious Science about the Environment). This event takes place on Monday, October 14 at 7:00 p.m. with a reception to follow. It is free and open to the public, but tickets are required at the door. Reservations are required by October 7. Speakers include Peter
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Jobs

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Apply online

Multiple positions: Auburn

Auburn University currently has several openings for tenure track jobs. Click each link to read the job description and find out more information.
1. Quantitative Methods
2. Agribusiness/Experimental Economics
3. Extension: Agricultural marketing and risk management
4. Extension: Agricultural production, risk management and agricultural policy

Postdoctoral Fellowship J-PAL: South Asia Initiative (India)

The Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL) South Asia, is pleased to announce a two-year Postdoctoral Fellowship supporting the Cash Transfers for Child Health (CaTCH) research initiative. The successful candidate will be based in India and work with the initiative’s co-chairs Pascaline Dupas and Seema Jayachandran, other J-PAL affiliated researchers, and the J-PAL South Asia Policy team to help synthesize and disseminate evidence on the role of cash transfer and pay-for-performance programmes for improving child health outcomes generated through the CaTCH initiative. The fellowship can lead to the writing of a meta-analysis and review papers on cash transfer evidence. This fellowship is designed to help the selected candidate launch a successful academic or non-academic research career by allowing him or her to gain experience working with government stakeholders and donors. The fellow will also have opportunities to participate in J-PAL policy dissemination, capacity-building, and mentoring activities.
Two openings: University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

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Post-doctoral associate: Water Resource Center, UMN

The University of Minnesota Water Resources Center seeks a postdoc or researcher to be part of an interdisciplinary team to conduct research and analysis that will contribute to the evaluation of the engineering, hydrogeologic, economic and policy benefits of and barriers to groundwater aquifer storage and recovery (ASR). This position will support the work by completing an assessment of the economics for aquifer recharge and evaluating the existing policy barriers for aquifer recharge. Ultimately, the team will produce recommendations for recharge, an analysis of the suitability of ASR as an approach and how the state might proceed if recharge is needed for future water sustainability.

This position will support a research project funded by the LCCMR. This position is up to full-time. We are flexible on terms and availability. The term of the position is beginning December 1, 2019 through December 31, 2020. The selected applicant would be an employee of the University of Minnesota and work within the Water Resources Center. For more information about this project and tasks, email either John Bilotta (jbilotta@umn.edu, 612-624-7708) or Lucia (Lucy) Levers (llevers@umn.edu, 612-624-7430).
Trade and Development

Trade and Development seminars will resume on October 11.

Seminars in other departments

Minnesota Economics Seminar
"Trends in Work an Leisure: It's a family Affair"
Matthias Doepke, Northwestern
Thursday, October 3
12:00 p.m., HMH 4-170

Federal Bag Lunch
"Workers' Home Bias and Spatial Wage Gaps: lessons from the Enduring Divide between East and West Germany"
Tommaso Porzio, Columbia
Wednesday, October 2
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

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AEA: Advice for Jobseekers

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Jobs

Assistant Professor: University of Washington

The School of Marine and Environmental Affairs (SMEA) at the University of Washington (UW) invites applications for one nine-month (100% FTE) tenure-track position in Regional Policy and Management of Oceans and Coastal Areas. A Ph.D. (or foreign equivalent) in policy, management, or a related field is required. The position will be filled at the rank of Assistant Professor. The successful candidate will conduct empirical research in an area of specialization and contribute to collaborative interdisciplinary research, develop and maintain a vibrant externally-funded research program, sustain a strong publication record, contribute to teaching and mentoring of graduate students, contribute to the functioning and vitality of the School and College through service, and support the interdisciplinary mission of SMEA. Teach graduate-level courses in an area of specialization and contribute to teaching in SMEA's...
core curriculum. Courses that build practical skills while advancing critical thinking and theoretical understanding are a priority for SMEA. Candidates may be asked to teach undergraduate courses in other departments as appropriate. Candidates should have experience in or the potential for building an equitable and diverse scholarly environment in teaching, mentoring, research, life experiences, or service.

Assistant/Associate Professor: University of Delaware

The University of Delaware has an opening for an Assistant (senior-level) or Associate Professor in Public Policy/Policy Analysis in the School of Marine Science & Policy at the University of Delaware. They are seeking a person who is well grounded in the institutional aspects of policy analysis (law, politics, and current developments). Expertise in quantitative methods and an ability to work in an interdisciplinary environment are desirable. Finally, given our school’s mission, work applied to ocean and coastal resources and/or climate change is expected to be part of the candidate’s research portfolio. The person we hire is expected to publish in scholarly journals, raise research funds, teach courses in his/her field, engage in research with high policy relevance, and contribute to the mission of the University.

Assistant/Associate Professor: University of Nebraska

The University of Nebraska is seeking an assistant/associate professor in Ecological Economics and Resilience who will contribute to the integrated Land-Grant University missions of research and teaching. The incumbent will serve as an effective scholar and citizen of the Department of Agricultural Economics and the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources (IANR) and will support student recruitment and IANR science literacy.

The incumbent will be an integral member of the recently organized Center for Resilience in Agricultural Landscapes, and as such will work with interdisciplinary teams focused on fostering productive and resilient food, energy, water and ecosystem services landscapes. This includes modeling complex and dynamic social-ecological systems and quantifying nonmarket ecosystem services to assist in making trade-offs more transparent.

The incumbent will develop a high-impact, nationally and internationally recognized research and teaching program in ecological economics as related to resilient ecological systems; seek and establish effective disciplinary and transdisciplinary collaborations including effective integration with faculty in the Center for Resilience in Agricultural Landscapes and Nebraska One Health; connect with stakeholders, agency, and/or industry partners to strengthen programming; effectively obtain and leverage external and internal support (grants, fee revenue, etc.) for research and teaching activities; mentor graduate students; publish in high-quality, high-impact peer-reviewed journals, and participate in scientific meetings and other
appropriate professional activities; and translate research-based information into learner-centered products. This includes creating scholarly, innovative, and high impact learning programs and tools; identifying issues and opportunities focused on learner needs and emerging regional and national issues with international relevance; measuring the impact of your programs and communicating results to administrators, stakeholders, users, and media; and mentoring colleagues through professional development, translational research, grants, and professional writing.

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4. Data Science

**Assistant/Associate Professor: College of Wooster**

The Economics Department at The College of Wooster invites applications for a tenure-track position at the Assistant/Associate Professor level beginning Fall 2020. Qualified candidates must have a Ph.D. completed (or anticipated) in Economics or a closely related field.

The research/teaching experience of the successful candidate must advance our program in Business Economics. Desired fields include Corporate or International Finance, Portfolio Theory, Money and Banking, Business Ethics, or Corporate Governance. As a liberal arts college, we value critical inquiry. We especially welcome applications from candidates who embrace interdisciplinarity and pluralism through a knowledge of contested theoretical/empirical approaches to Business Economics. In addition to electives in the candidate’s field, teaching responsibilities include core departmental courses such as Principles of Economics and periodic service to the College’s interdisciplinary First-Year Seminar.

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Departmental seminars

Trade and Development

"The challenges of universal health insurance in developing countries: evidence from a large-scale randomized experiment in Indonesia"
Rema Hanna, Jeffrey Cheah Professor of South-East Asia Studies, Harvard Kennedy School, Harvard College
Friday, October 11
10:30 a.m., 119 Ruttan

Seminars in other departments

MPC

"Economic and cultural assimilation in immigrant enclaves: Evidence from the Industrial Removal Office"
Dylan Conner, ASU
Monday, October 7
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

Applied Micro

"Aiming for the Goal: contribution dynamics of crowdfunding"
Kevin Williams, Yale SOM
Tuesday, October 8
12:00 p.m., HMH 4-190

Life Course Seminar

"Three-parent families and the redefinition of parenthood"
June Carbone, UMN
Wednesday, October 9
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

Minnesota Lecture
"Chinese savings and wealth inequality in the U.S."
Ayse Imrohoroglu, USC-Marshall
Thursday, October 10
4:00 p.m., HMH1-111

Federal Bag Lunch
"Credit shocks and equilibrium dynamics in consumer durable goods"
Andrea Lanteri, Duke
Tuesday, October 8
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

"The long-run effects of low-income housing on neighborhood composition"
Morris Davis, Rutgers Business School
Thursday, October 10
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

"Hours and Wages"
Alexander Bick, Minneapolis Federal Reserve and ASU
Friday, October 11
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Minnesota Economics Association Conference

Faculty, undergraduate students and graduate students are invited to attend the 2019 Minnesota Economics Association Conference, held at Hamline University on Friday, October 25th. Speakers include Hillary Hoynes of UC Berkeley, Abigail Wozniak of the Minneapolis Fed's Opportunity and Inclusive Growth Institute, Stephen Polasky of University of Minnesota, and Sarah West of Macalester College. The day will also include a panel discussion of the intersection of economics and data science. Registration includes lunch and all sessions. Register online.

Call for Papers: 17th Midwest International Economic Development Conference

The Department of Agricultural Economics along with International Programs in Agriculture at Purdue University will host the 17th annual Midwest International Economic Development Conference (MWIEDC) on April 17-18, 2020. 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 17 and end at lunch on April 18. No more than three sessions will be held at the same time.

The keynote speaker will be Jonathan Morduch, Professor of Public Policy and Economics at the Wagner Graduate School of Public Service at New York University.

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. If you have a query, please contact mwiedc@purdue.edu.

Symposium: Ecosystem Effects of Sulfate Geoengineering

Climate change is bad for us and our ecosystems, and sulfate geoengineering (reflecting sunlight away from Earth) is a proposed short-term solution if we fail to reduce our greenhouse gas emissions very drastically. But will geoengineering have further, unforeseen effects on our ecosystems? A symposium on this topic will be held on November 1st, 9am-4pm in Learning and Environmental Sciences, R380, featuring plenary speakers Lili Xia (Rutgers), Peter Irvine...
Jobs

Faculty: St. Catherine University

The Economics and Political Science department at St. Catherine University invites applications for a full time ranked faculty position. The selected candidate has responsibilities in teaching, research and service. The teaching load is six sections (24 credits) per academic year. Applicants from all fields are welcome, but preference will be given to candidates in the fields of Economics, Applied Economics, Political Science, International Relations or Public Policy. Successful candidates must be able to teach Macroeconomics and/or Statistics at the introductory level. They particularly encourage applicants who can also teach introductory and/or upper level courses in International Trade, International Political Economy, Macroeconomics, Finance, Environmental Economics and Policy and/or Health Economics and Policy. Applicants should demonstrate excellence in teaching and an active research agenda that includes opportunities to engage students in collaborative undergraduate research. The selected candidate will be responsible for advising undergraduate students and is expected to participate in service activities with colleagues, the department, school, campus, community and professional organizations.

Apply online

Post doctoral fellow: University of Alaska Anchorage

The University of Alaska Anchorage Department of Economics is searching for a bright creative scholar with interests in applied microeconomics. Areas of emphasis can include natural resource and development economics, environmental economics, public, labor, urban, economics of education. Preference will be given to candidates with strong training in applied microeconomics. Responsibilities include 1) engaging in high quality research that informs public policy and that leads to publications in top journals, 2) working collaboratively on research projects with members of the Department of Economics, and 3) teaching one principles of economics course per semester. Salary will be $70,000 per year. Funding is from an endowed chair and is not dependent upon state appropriations. The successful candidate will also receive a generous benefits package, relocation funds, and a $5000 annual research/travel budget. The appointment is for one year, renewable for a second year subject to satisfactory performance. Key Responsibilities: Develop a strong record of research excellence in the areas listed above. Work collaboratively with faculty of the Department of Economics and the Institute for Social and Economic Research. Teach one principles of economics course per semester.

Apply online
**Post doctoral researcher: Resources for the Future (RFF), Washington D.C.**

Resources for the Future (RFF) currently has openings for postdoctoral researchers. The postdoctoral program is designed to provide unique opportunities for postdoctoral fellows to contribute to projects underway, pursue new lines of inquiry, and participate with RFF fellows and senior fellows in engaging with policymakers. RFF is interested in candidates working on various issues in environmental and natural resource economics. For one position we are seeking a candidate with strong interests in ecosystem and natural resource management, including topics such as (but not limited to) species conservation, invasive species management, bioeconomic modeling, and land management decision-making.

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Departmental seminars

Trade and Development

*No seminar this week. Seminars will resume on October 25.*

Job Talk Seminar

"*Intra-Household Allocations and Consumption Inequality under Cash Transfers and Violence*"

Jose L. Casco
Thursday, October 17
1:30 p.m., 220 Learning and Environmental Sciences

Seminars in other departments

MPC

"*The Long-Run Effects of California’s Paid Family Leave on Women’s Careers: Evidence from U.S. Tax Records*"

Martha Bailey, University of Michigan
Monday, October 14
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

Applied Micro

"*Auto Dealer Loan Intermediation: Consumer Behavior and Competitive Effects*"

Tobias Salz, MIT
Tuesday, October 15
12:00 p.m., HMH 4-170

Life Course Seminar

"*Child Care and Early Childhood Skills*"

Aaron Sojourner, UMN
Wednesday, October 16
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

Finance Department Seminar

*TBA*

Mark Westerfield, University of Washington-Foster School
Friday, October 18
10:30, CSOM 1-123

Federal Bag Lunch

"*Invoicing and Pricing to Market: A Study of Price and Markup Elasticities of UK Exporters*"

Giancarlo Corsetti, Cambridge University
Tuesday, October 15
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room
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MARGINAL MEMOS

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Announcements

Minnesota Economics Association Conference

Faculty, undergraduate students and graduate students are invited to attend the 2019 Minnesota Economics Association Conference, held at Hamline University on Friday, October 25th. Speakers include Hillary Hoynes of UC Berkeley, Abigail Wozniak of the Minneapolis Fed’s Opportunity and Inclusive Growth Institute, Stephen Polasky of University of Minnesota, and Sarah West of Macalester College. The day will also include a panel discussion of the intersection of economics and data science. Registration includes lunch and all sessions. Register online.

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The keynote speaker will be Jonathan Morduch, Professor of Public Policy and Economics at the Wagner Graduate School of Public Service at New York University.

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. If you have a query, please contact mwiedc@purdue.edu.

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**Jobs**

**Data Scientist: University of Missouri-St. Louis**

The College of Arts & Sciences (CAS) at the University of Missouri – St. Louis (UMSL) seeks applicants for a tenure-track position to support a new University-led initiative to leverage existing expertise and resources in health and data science. A social/behavioral scientist with a Ph.D. in Economics, Sociology, Psychology, or related discipline and research experience in big data, machine learning, phenotype/predictive modeling, precision medicine, etc is desired. This should be an individual who can bring both theoretical and analytical expertise to the University’s health-related initiatives.

The individual will hold an academic appointment in the Department appropriate to their research and teaching interests, and will teach undergraduate and graduate courses related to their area of expertise. Successful candidates are expected to have high potential to secure external funding as well as support ongoing initiatives at UMSL related to data science. Preference will be given to applicants with demonstrated ability to generate external funding. The normal teaching load, assuming an active research agenda, is two courses per semester. Apply online using job code 31761.

**Assistant Professor: Iowa State University**

The Department of Community and Regional Planning (CRP) in the College of Design at Iowa State University is seeking to fill a tenure-track position at the rank of Assistant Professor starting August 16, 2020. The successful candidate will contribute to the mission of the department and the College of Design through teaching core planning courses and electives at the graduate and undergraduate levels. We are seeking an individual who will contribute to research and teaching in a broadly defined area of environmental planning and sustainable/resilient communities. Areas of research and teaching interest include (but are not limited to) environmental sustainability, food systems, renewable energy, natural resource management, environmental policy, climate change, infrastructure and transportation. The planning department is a key component of a university-wide graduate program in sustainable agriculture and transportation planning.

**Departmental seminars**
Trade and Development
"Job Search and Hiring with Two-Sided Information Frictions"
Robert Garlick, Duke University
Friday, October 25
10:30 a.m., 119 Ruttan

Seminars in other departments

MPC
"Father's Time Investments in India: A Preference for Sons?"
Nancy Luke, Penn State
Monday, October 21
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

Life Course Seminar
"Does Disability Increase the Risk of Interpersonal and Institutional Discrimination? Life Course Patterns and Consequences"
Deborah Carr, Boston University
Wednesday, October 23
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

Finance Department Seminar
TBA
Mariassunta Giannetti, Stockholm School of Economics
Friday, October 25
10:30, CSOM 1-123

Federal Bag Lunch
"Job Search Behavior among the Employed and Non-Employed"
Aysegul Sahin, New York Fed
Tuesday, October 22
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

"Using the Sequence-Space Jacobian to Solve and Estimate Heterogenous-Agent Models"
Adrien Auclert, Sanford
Thursday, October 24
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

"Uneven Growth: Automation's Impact on Income and Wealth Inequality"
Ben Moll, Princeton
Friday, October 25
11:50 a.m., Research Conference Room

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Announcements

Last week of the Community Fund Drive!

There are four days left of the Community Fund Drive and still opportunities to participate and donate!

Tie Blankets tomorrow: We will be making tie blankets in room 230 tomorrow from 9am-5pm. We have enough fleece to make a few more blankets, sign up here if you are able to stop by and help. No experience necessary! We will take a group picture holding tie blankets at 10am.

Bring in new or gently used children’s books: The last day to donate new or gently used children’s books is this Thursday! Drop off the books in collection boxes located in room 146, 231, or 316.

Donate via payroll: Employees who have an appointment of 50% time or more and work on the Twin Cities campus can donate through payroll deduction or personal check. Directions to donate via payroll deduction can be found here.

Regional Economic Conditions Conference by The Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis

The Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis invites you to join us on Thursday, January 9, 2020 for its annual Regional Economic Conditions Conference. The half-day conference will focus on state economic outlooks and key industry spotlights for the Ninth Federal Reserve District, which includes Minnesota, the Dakotas, Montana, northwestern Wisconsin and Michigan’s Upper Peninsula. Beth Ford, president and CEO of Land O’Lakes, will kick off the conference with a keynote address and a moderated Q&A with Neel Kashkari, Minneapolis Fed president. The conference will also feature presentations and panel discussions with prominent experts from each district state whose work shapes local knowledge about regional economies and informs state-level public policy.

More information will be forthcoming closer to the conference date.

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**Research Associate: UNC**

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill’s Carolina Population Center seeks a full-time Research Associate to contribute to a large team evaluating several obesity prevention policies and programs in several countries. These studies will examine the impact of policies including health warning labels, taxes, and marketing restrictions for sugar-sweetened beverages and junk foods. The research projects will include a combination of studies evaluating the effect of policies using large-scale population-level datasets on food purchases, prices, dietary intake, and health, as well as randomized controlled experimental studies testing the impact of policies on consumer behavior. The Research Associate will work closely with our interdisciplinary Global Food Research Program. Our research team also includes masters and doctoral students in public health and mass communications, research assistants, programmers, a project manager and many colleagues at UNC and across the globe.

Apply online

**Assistant Professor: Cornell University**

The Department of Biological and Environmental Engineering (BEE) at Cornell University seeks candidates for a tenure-track position aimed at developing a nationally recognized research and teaching program in systems-based methods with broad application to interconnected biological and environmental systems. This position has a balanced effort between research (50%) and teaching (50%) on a 9-month academic year basis. The successful candidate will have demonstrated expertise in leveraging interdisciplinary quantitative systems engineering and analysis, and interest in novel applications relevant to the mission of the BEE Department and the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Cornell University. We are especially interested in candidates who have demonstrated expertise in investigating interconnected biological and/or environmental systems and will interact widely with colleagues in our department and across the university to build an understanding of the multiple trade-offs and competing objectives that may be present at the systems nexus.

The successful candidate will establish an innovative, high-profile research program that addresses critical problems of society today. Areas of specific interest include, but are not limited to, sustainable agriculture and/or food systems, food safety and security, and interconnected systems of food/agriculture, energy, water, and climate.

Apply online

**Postdoctoral Fellow: University of Waterloo**
The University of Waterloo seeks a highly motivated and exceptional researcher for a post-doctoral fellowship position with the Water Institute at the University of Waterloo. The focus of this position is on conducting quantitative, empirical, and policy-relevant research as part of a three-year interdisciplinary project funded by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) of Canada.

The main goal of the project is to design and evaluate novel payment schemes for the provision of wetland ecosystem services as a cost-effective and economically efficient nature-based solution for the sustainable management of urbanized watersheds. Using the Great Lakes basin in Southern Ontario as a case study, the work will be structured around the following main objectives:

1. Identify the ecosystem services currently provided by the wetlands found in the watershed in the study area amenable for inclusion in a market-based incentive scheme.
2. Determine the economic value of these ecosystem services.
3. Ascertain how the protection/restoration of wetlands might be incentivized based on payments for ecosystem services.
4. Identify the optimal cost-sharing arrangements for the conservation or restoration of wetlands.

Qualified applicants should send the following materials in a single PDF file by email to Alain-Désiré Nimubona at animubona@uwaterloo.ca and Roy Brouwer at rbrouwer@uwaterloo.ca with “post-doctoral fellowship application” in the subject line: (1) cover letter including motivation to apply, (2) curriculum vitae, (3) one recent research paper and (4) names and contact information for three references.

Departmental seminars

Trade and Development
"Intra-household allocations and consumption inequality under cash transfers and violence"
Jose Casco Guerra, UMN, ApEc PhD Program
Friday, November 1
10:30 a.m., 119 Ruttan

Job Talk Seminar
"Good Intentions Gone Bad? The Dodd-Frank Act and conflict in Africa’s Great Lakes Region"
Jeffrey Bloem
Wednesday, October 30
12:00 p.m., 230 Ruttan

Job Talk Seminar
"Remitting Religiosity: Evidence of International Migrants Changing Norms in Their Home Country"
Khander Wahedur Rahman
Thursday, October 31
2:00 p.m., 230 Ruttan

Seminars in other departments

MPC
"Can You Move to Opportunity: Evidence from the Great Migration"
Ellora Dereoncourt, Princeton
Monday, October 28
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

Life Course Seminar
"How Strong is My Safety Net? Perceived Unemployment Insurance Generosity and Implications for Job Search, Mental health, and Remployment Careers and Caregiving"
Connie Wanberg, UMN
Wednesday, October 30
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

Micro-Macro Seminar
"The Micro-Level Anatomy of the Labor Share Decline"
Matthias Kehrig, Duke
Wednesday, October 30
12:00, HMH 4-170

Federal Bag Lunch
"Knowledge Diffusion, Trade, and Innovation across Countries and Sectors"
Ana Maria Santacreu, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis
Thursday, October 31
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

"Financial Development and International Trade"
Fernando Leibovici, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis
Friday, November 1
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

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Community Fund Drive was a fantastic success!

The 2019 Community Fund Drive has now concluded and APEC and AECM are donating the 12 blankets (and a box of books) to People Serving People, whose mission is to help homeless and at-risk children and their families in the Twin Cities manage crisis situations and build a strong foundation for their long-term success. Many thanks to all of the wonderful volunteers who donated time, books or money to helping others.

Jobs

Assistant Professor: University of Minnesota

The Department of Applied Economics at the University of Minnesota Twin Cities seeks to fill a tenure-track Assistant Professor position in environmental and resource economics. The
Applied Economics Department has a distinguished record in environmental and natural resource economics in both research and teaching. Research topics of interest include but are not limited to, ecosystem services, sustainability, climate change, water and air quality, land use, energy use, biodiversity conservation, integrated natural science and economic modeling, and the interplay between agriculture and the environment. The University of Minnesota has multiple programs of excellence in the area of environment and natural resources with whom faculty in Applied Economics collaborate, including the Institute on the Environment, the Water Resources Center, and numerous environmentally-oriented faculty in the natural and social sciences. The Department offers both graduate (MS and PhD) and undergraduate degrees. Its graduates have gone on to successful careers in academia, research organizations, government, and the private sector.

**Postdoctoral Fellowships: IEE, Geneva, Switzerland**

The Institute of Economics and Econometrics (IEE) invites applications for postdoctoral fellowships in applied economics to start as early as the Spring 2020 and continue for up to two years for promising new and recent Ph.D. recipients to pursue frontier research and be active members of the IEE. The positions provide a competitive salary and a very low teaching load. Eligible candidates will have completed their Ph.D. after January 1st, 2018 and no later than the official date of employment.

**Quantitative Analytics Specialist: Wells Fargo (Multiple locations)**

The Credit and PPNR Modeling (CaPM) Center of Excellence (CoE) within Corporate Credit is seeking five qualified candidates who are graduating with Master’s degrees in quantitative fields to join the team. As a Quantitative Analytics Specialist 1, you’ll work under the supervision of a senior team member to gain comprehensive professional and industry experience. Team members may be responsible for developing, implementing, calibrating, or monitoring models; educating business leaders in the strengths and weaknesses of models; and for providing risk leaders with analysis to manage their risk. You’ll also have the opportunity to interact with Wells Fargo senior leaders and learn about various risk management areas.

Team members will begin with a combination of orientation, classroom training, and professional development activities.

Opportunities are available in Atlanta, GA; Charlotte, NC; Des Moines, IA; McLean, VA; Minneapolis, MN.

Apply by searching with job code 5518182.
**Consultancy: World Health Organization**

WHO seeks a senior expert consultant to support the efforts to:

1. perform statistical analysis of the Antibiotics in childhood diarrhea (ABCD) study as per the ABCD statistical analysis plan (SAP).

2. Coordinate with the WHO staff and the PIs of the ABCD trial to develop final models and tables as requested.

ABCD (AntiBiotics for Children with high-risk Diarrhea) is a research project on the management of children with diarrhea, coordinated by the MCA department at the WHO headquarters in Geneva.

The aim of the ABCD trial is to test if child mortality for diarrheal diseases can be reduced by treating those at highest risk with suitable antibiotics. The trial is implemented in three Asian countries (Bangladesh, India, Pakistan) and four African countries (Mali, Kenya, Malawi, Tanzania). Within each of these countries, there is a research institution and team of researchers, who are implementing the trial as subcontractors to the WHO.

**Assistant/Associate/Full Professor: University of Maryland**

The Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics seeks an appointee at the assistant, associate, or full professor level who will develop a distinguished program of applied research and public education and outreach (Extension). As a department within the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources at a land grant university, we have a responsibility to conduct applied research and provide research-based information to audiences at the federal, regional, state, and local levels. Examples of issues of current importance to Maryland and our department include (but are not limited to): agricultural policy, food and nutrition policy, environmental policy, climate change, energy, coastal and marine resources, agricultural and food industry organization, food safety, risk management, resource-based industries, and water quality, among others. The appointee will provide leadership in designing, coordinating and implementing applied research projects, including collaborative work with other faculty members and/or graduate students in support of those programs, and will disseminate research results through scholarly journal articles, extension publications, and presentations to both academic, policy, and stakeholder audiences.

The appointee will typically teach one course per year in the department. The position is a nine-month, tenure-track or tenured position at the assistant, associate, or full professor rank with rank and salary commensurate with the candidate’s record.
Departmental seminars

Trade and Development
"Searching for Answers: The Impact of Student Access to Wikipedia"
Laura Derksen, Assistant Professor, University of Toronto Mississauga
Friday, November 8
10:30 a.m., 119 Ruttan

Job Talk Seminar
"An Unintended Consequence of Preventing OxyContin Abuse: The Effect on Child Maltreatment"
Scott Dallman
Wednesday, November 6
12:00 p.m., 230 Ruttan

Job Talk Seminar
"Local Direct Elections, Local Information and Meritocratic Selection"
Yu Wang
Thursday, November 7
2:00 p.m., 230 Ruttan

Seminars in other departments

MPC
"The Intergeneration of Effect on Medicaid's Introduction"
Andrew Goodman-Bacon, Vanderbilt
Monday, November 4
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

Applied Micro/Micro-Macro Seminar
"Trade and informality in the presence of labor market friction and regulations"
Rafael Dix Carneiro, Duke
Wednesday, November 6
12:00 p.m., HMH 4-170

Applied Micro/Minnesota Economics Seminar
"An instrumental variables approach to dynamic models"
Steven Berry, Yale
Thursday, November 7
12:00, HMH 4-170

Finance Department Seminar
"Extrapolative expectations, financial frictions, and asset prices"
Yao Deng, UMN
Friday, November 8
10:30 a.m., CSOM 1-123

Federal Bag Lunch
"OTC Market Structure under Reforms"
Briana Chang, UW-Madison
Tuesday, November 5
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

"The quantitative effects of trade policy on industrial and labor location"
Fernando Parro, Penn State
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Give to the Max Day: Thursday, November 14

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We have been working with Troy to complete a series of videos of students and faculty talking about the importance of our campaign. These will be uploaded all day Thursday to multiple APEC and AECM social media channels. Please share these videos on your social media channels when you see them! The further the reach the better for events like this.

We already have raised $575, but have a goal of $5,000 so we have a long way to go!

If you are an advisor for these organizations, please remind your members to share it on their organization's social media. Also, share the information about the videos with students in your courses and encourage them to share as well. If you would like to donate now, the campaign is already open, and you can access it using the button below.

DONATE NOW!

Congratulations, Katie!

Congratulations to Katie Wilts who was notified recently that she received the Elroy Webster Graduate Fellowship from the Ralph K. Morris Foundation. She will be honored at a reception in November. Other graduate students affiliated with our department who have received this fellowship in recent years include Megan Butler, Amber Roberts, and Andrew Keller.
Mark your calendar!

The Applied Economics and Agricultural Education and Communication Annual Luncheon will be held Friday, December 13 at 11:30 a.m. in the Northstar Ballroom, St. Paul Student Center. The invitation will soon be available online.

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Agricultural Policy Research Group Annual Conference-Call for Papers

Conference 2020: What Should We Be Studying?

The purpose of this research group is to foster greater communication between the disciplines of Agricultural Economics and Political Science. It is apparent that such an exchange is necessary in order to improve scholarly research on agriculture policy and any subsequent policy recommendations. For two disciplines working on (ostensibly) the same issues, there is very little communication between and among scholars.

Two years ago, we began this project with a generous grant from the USDA and assembled in New Orleans to begin the process of building connections and avenues for cooperation and collaboration between disciplines. With one successful conference behind us, we have once again worked with the USDA to offer a second conference in what we hope will be an ongoing series.

The deadline for submission is December 31st, 2019.

Accepted Proposals will be notified no later than January 15th--at which time a finalized schedule will be made available. The conference website has more detailed instructions and information.

Call for Proposals

The Consortium on Law and Values in Health, Environment & the Life Sciences is issuing a call for proposals addressing the societal implications of problems in health, environment, or the life sciences to law, graduate, and professional students for work during the upcoming summer (2020) and/or academic year (2020-21).
A total of $35,000 is available for these grants with a maximum award of $7,000. Proposals for student-initiated programs or colloquia will also be accepted. Proposals are due by Feb. 10, 2020.

Please see https://consortium.umn.edu/consortium-research-awards for further information, deadlines, and application instructions. This funding opportunity is open to all law, graduate, and professional students. Visit the link above to see reports on completed projects. Topics vary widely.

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Apply online

Assistant/Associate Professor: University of Nebraska

The incumbent in Ecological Economics and Resilience will contribute to the integrated Land-Grant University missions of research and teaching. The incumbent will serve as an effective scholar and citizen of the Department of Agricultural Economics and the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources (IANR) and will support student recruitment and IANR science literacy.

The incumbent will be an integral member of the recently organized Center for Resilience in Agricultural Landscapes, and as such will work with interdisciplinary teams focused on fostering productive and resilient food, energy, water and ecosystem services landscapes. This includes modeling complex and dynamic social-ecological systems and quantifying nonmarket ecosystem services to assist in making trade-offs more transparent.

The incumbent will develop a high-impact, nationally and internationally recognized research and teaching program in ecological economics as related to resilient ecological systems; seek and establish effective disciplinary and transdisciplinary collaborations including effective
integration with faculty in the Center for Resilience in Agricultural Landscapes and Nebraska One Health; connect with stakeholders, agency, and/or industry partners to strengthen programming; effectively obtain and leverage external and internal support (grants, fee revenue, etc.) for research and teaching activities; mentor graduate students; publish in high-quality, high-impact peer-reviewed journals, and participate in scientific meetings and other appropriate professional activities; and translate research-based information into learner-centered products. This includes creating scholarly, innovative, and high impact learning programs and tools; identifying issues and opportunities focused on learner needs and emerging regional and national issues with international relevance; measuring the impact of your programs and communicating results to administrators, stakeholders, users, and media; and mentoring colleagues through professional development, translational research, grants, and professional writing.

Apply online

Postdoctoral Research Fellows: New York University School of Law

The Institute for Policy Integrity at New York University School of Law (policyintegrity.org) is seeking 1-2 postdoctoral research fellows in economics. Policy Integrity is a non-partisan think tank dedicated to improving the quality of government decisionmaking through advocacy and scholarship in the fields of administrative law, economics, and public policy. We work to identify and support economically sound policies related to energy, the environment, public health, and safety.

Fellows will collaborate with legal and economic researchers to prepare policy reports, briefs, and journal articles on a variety of issues including energy and climate policy, natural resources management, electricity market design, and benefit-cost analysis. The ideal candidate should have a focus on policy-oriented research in one of the following areas: (1) environmental or resource economics; (2) transportation economics and vehicle emissions policy; or (3) utility regulation, energy economics/policy, and electricity market design/pricing. Excellent written communication skills required.

Applicants should hold a Ph.D. in economics or a related field by July 2020. The appointment is for August 2020 to July 2022, with the option to renew for a second year. Fellows will have the opportunity to engage in independent research.

Please send any questions to Dr. Peter Howard (HowardP@mercury.law.nyu.edu).

Apply online

Senior Research Associate: University of East Anglia

The UEA is looking to appoint a Senior Research Associate who is able to apply environmental and ecological principles/methods to challenging research areas, specifically in the area of economic non-market valuation of ecosystem services and biodiversity. The position plays a
key role in supporting the delivery of the socio-economic programme of the GROW-Colombia project. The post is research-focused, but also offers opportunities to gain teaching experience commensurate with the research demands of the posts.

The successful candidate will be able to operate in a highly multi-disciplinary environment with partners from UK and Colombian institutions. Candidates are expected to have a minimum of PhD (or equivalent experience) in Economics, Environmental or Ecological Economics, Environmental and/or Statistical Science. The post holder will closely collaborate with the GROW-Colombia researchers to deliver the project outputs but will be also encouraged to publish in scholarly journals, engage in research with high policy relevance, and contribute to the mission of the GROW project.

Apply online

Departmental seminars

Trade and Development
"Labor market outcomes, cognitive and noncognitive skills in rural China"
Yang Song, Assistant Professor, Colgate University
Friday, November 15
10:30 a.m., 119 Ruttan

Job Talk Seminar
"A list choice experiment for consumer studies"
Yufeng Lai
Wednesday, November 13
12:00 p.m., 230 Ruttan

Job Talk Seminar
TBA
Besufekad Alemu
Thursday, November 14
2:00 p.m., 230 Ruttan

Seminars in other departments

MPC
"The long-term health consequences of childhood food insecurity"
Angela Fertig, UMN
Monday, November 11
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

Finance Department Seminar
"Monetary policy, redistribution, and risk premia"
Moritz Lenel, Princeton Bendheim Center for Finance
Friday, November 15
10:30 a.m., TBA

Federal Bag Lunch
"Markups and inequality"
Corina Boar, NYU
Tuesday, November 12
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

"The stable transformation path"
Paco Buera, WUSTL
Thursday, November 14
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Thank you!

Thank you all so much for your attention to this year's Give to the Max Day campaign! We had many generous donors and raised nearly $4500 thanks to a match given anonymously. All of these donations will be used for professional development opportunities for undergraduates in ApEc and AECM.

Reminder-Call for papers- 17th Annual Midwest International Economic Development Conference

The Department of Agricultural Economics along with International Programs in Agriculture at Purdue University will host the 17th annual Midwest International Economic Development Conference (MWIEDC) on April 17-18, 2020. 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 17 and end at lunch on April 18. No more than three sessions will be held at the same time.

The keynote speaker will be Jonathan Morduch, Professor of Public Policy and Economics at the Wagner Graduate School of Public Service at New York University.

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 If you have a query, please contact us at mwiedc@purdue.edu.

Call for Proposals

The Consortium on Law and Values in Health, Environment & the Life Sciences is issuing a call for proposals addressing the societal implications of problems in health, environment, or the life sciences to law, graduate, and professional students for work during the upcoming summer (2020) and/or academic year (2020-21).

A total of $35,000 is available for these grants with a maximum award of $7,000. Proposals for
student-initiated programs or colloquia will also be accepted. Proposals are due by Feb. 10, 2020.

Please see https://consortium.umn.edu/consortium-research-awards for further information, deadlines, and application instructions. This funding opportunity is open to all law, graduate, and professional students. Visit the link above to see reports on completed projects. Topics vary widely.

Jobs

Multiple positions (NY and CA): Rhodium

Rhodium Group currently has four open positions. Three of the four incorporate climate risk research into decision-making at pension funds, asset managers, central banks and other financial services policymakers/regulators. Use individual links below to find full descriptions:
1. Economist-Climate Risk (NY)
2. Research Analyst-Climate Risk (NY)
3. Senior Manager-Climate Risk (NY)
4. Research Analyst- Energy & Climate (CA)

Funded M.S.: Oregon State University

This project will focus on the Harney Basin in central Oregon where groundwater levels in some areas have dropped 50-100 feet in 10 years. The project aim is to reduce that uncertainty and contribute to changes that will foster sustainable resource use. The overall project includes constructing a hydro-economic model for the Basin in collaboration with the USGS and state agencies. Extensive stakeholder engagement is an important part of the research process. Stakeholders will be involved in the development of scenarios and policy pathways to evaluate using the model, and surveys will monitor attitudes and perceptions related to sustainable groundwater use pathways over the course of the project.

Qualified applicants should contact wjaeger@oregonstate.edu. Applications to our graduate program are due January 15, 2020.

Senior Researchers: Resources for the Future, D.C.

Resources for the Future (RFF) currently has openings for full and part-time mid-career and senior researchers in environmental economics and related fields including policy analysis, data analytics, engineering and operations research. RFF is a nonprofit research institution in Washington, DC. (www.rff.org).

RFF researchers study, publish about and inform important policy issues, interact with stakeholders from multiple sectors and ideologies, and share their expertise in a range of public and private settings. RFF’s position as a storied institution in Washington, DC affords us a wide range of opportunities to connect with key conversations and decisionmaking processes underway. RFF is interested in candidates working on climate, energy, and land and water management issues appropriate to our mission. We are especially interested in
transportation; climate impacts, adaptation and resilience; and technology, research, development and deployment. All candidates should have (i) a PhD or advanced degree, (ii) excellent written communication skills, (iii) proven ability to perform high quality research, (iv) the demonstrated ability and desire to engage in the policy process, and (v) an established record of research leadership and management. Proven ability to fundraise for research projects is highly desirable. Fundraising responsibilities would grow over time. Candidates should be prepared to be in residence at Resources for the Future’s office in Washington, DC.

Please send any questions to Dr. Peter Howard (HowardP@mercury.law.nyu.edu).

Apply online

**Assistant/Associate Tenure-Track (Multiple Positions): University of China**

The Department of Environmental and Resource Economics at Renmin University of China invites applications for multiple full-time tenure-tracked positions at the assistant or associate professor level. The successful candidates are expected to have a Ph.D. degree in Economics, Environmental and Resource Economics or a closely related field by the time of appointment (August 2020). The department is looking for potential candidates with research interests in but not limited to individual decision-making in response to environmental changes, optimal design of environmental policies, non-market valuation, spatial modeling and urban planning and the dynamics between poverty alleviation and environment conservation.

Preferred qualifications included demonstrated capability or potential in publishing in high-quality peer-reviewed economic or closely related interdisciplinary journals; conducting effective teaching and mentoring at all levels (undergraduate to Ph.D. students); and working in a diverse community and collaborating with scholars from other disciplines.

Apply online

**Multiple Positions: Louisiana State University**

The Department of Agriculture at LSU currently has three open positions. Click individual links for full description and to apply.

1. **Department Head**
2. **Assistant/Associate Professor (Forestry Economics)**
3. **Assistant Professor-Research (Water & Coastal Policy)**

Departmental seminars

"Empirically estimating the impact of weather on agriculture"
Jeffrey Michler, University of Arizona
Friday, November 22
10:30 a.m., 119 Ruttan

Job Talk Seminar
"Can social capital help immigrant families overcome food insecurity? A case study of refugee households in the Midwest"
Harshada Karnik
Thursday, November 21
2:00 p.m., 230 Ruttan

Seminars in other departments

MPC
"Reviving the USDA/Purnell Act 1920s and 1930s Time Use Diary Data: Exploring Changes in Women’s Activity Patterns"
Julia Drew, UMN
Monday, November 18
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

Life Course Center Seminar
"Methods for Studying the Effects of Alcohol Policies and Enforcement"
Toben Nelson, UMN
Wednesday, November 20
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey Hall

Minnesota Economics Seminar
TBA
Michael Waugh, NYU
Thursday, November 21
12:00 p.m., HMH 4-170

Finance Department Seminar
"A Theory of Housing Demand Shocks"
Pengfei Wang, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology
Friday, November 22
10:30 a.m., TBA

Federal Bag Lunch
TBA
Michael Waugh, NYU
Tuesday, November 19
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

TBA
Pengfei Wang, HKUST
Wednesday, November 20
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

TBA
Brent Neiman, Chicago-Booth
Wednesday, November 20
2:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

TBA
Andrea Prestipino, Federal Reserve Board
Friday, November 22
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

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Departmental Publications

Announcements

Jane Sandstrom Retirement-Reception on November 26

One of our long-time support staff members, Jane Sandstrom, will retire from the Center for Farm Financial Management and the department on November 26th. Some of you know that Jane went part-time a couple of years ago and has now decided to fully retire this month. We are invited to join in a reception for Jane on Tuesday, Nov. 26th at 10:00-11:00 a.m. in room 119. Hope to see you there to wish her well on her next adventure!

Jobs

Postdoctoral Fellowships: University of Copenhagen

The postdoctoral fellows will contribute to the European Research Council (ERC) Starting Grant project FORESTDIET led by Laura Vang Rasmussen. They will be expected to co-develop research that examines how forest loss and forest fragmentation influence dietary quality. The candidates are expected to leverage existing datasets on food consumption, agricultural production, land cover change, including agricultural expansion and contraction, and deforestation and reforestation. The candidates are also expected to compile additional data on socio-economic characteristics and biophysical conditions in the regions of interest. Moreover, the postdoctoral fellows will assist in the development of stakeholder tools to further strengthen their skills in effective communication of research results.

Apply online

Postdoctoral Researcher: UC Santa Barbara

The Environmental Market Solutions Lab (emLab) (http://emlab.msi.ucsb.edu/) is an interdisciplinary team of economists and natural scientists based at UC Santa Barbara dedicated to bringing market-based solutions to the world’s most pressing environmental problems. We deliver cutting-edge research and innovative policy solutions by combining...
economic principles, ecological insights, and big-data analytics. emLab seeks a postdoctoral researcher in environmental and resource economics to contribute to the vibrant intellectual atmosphere at UCSB, which houses faculty, postdocs, students, and professional research staff. Among other contributions, the postdoc will be expected to contribute to a current project evaluating the extent to which new technologies can have conservation impacts, with an application to global food systems. In particular, emLab researchers are examining whether innovations in cell-based seafood can transform supply and demand of food from the sea, and the role they may play in ocean conservation outcomes.

Apply online

**Consultant: Ethiopia**

Results for Development (R4D), through the Rapid Feedback Monitoring, Evaluation, Research and Learning (RF MERL) initiative, is launching a new project in Ethiopia in November and December of 2019 with USAID/Ethiopia called TIGER-OR. The goal of this project to conduct operational research to inform the design of a program seeking to enhance the resilience of vulnerable populations in the Ethiopian highlands. TIGER-OR is designed to generate evidence on improved and deliberate integration of Government of Ethiopia (GOE) programs, which will be used to design a highlands resilience portfolio that will be smart, impactful, and implementable at scale. Strengthening resilience of households, communities, and systems against weather-related, conflict, socio-economic, health, and related shocks is a key long term goal of USAID development assistance. USAID has been a strong partner to Ethiopia for over 50 years and is supporting various GOE programs through its investments.

*To apply, please send your cover letter and resume to vmartin@r4d.org. Please use the subject line "Application for Consultant – Operational Research Scoping and Design."

*The daily rate for this short-term assignment is USD $350 inclusive of 30% deductible income tax*

**John S Bugas Chair in Economics: University of Wyoming**

The Department of Economics at the University of Wyoming invites nominations and applications for the John S. Bugas Professor in Economics, a chaired professorship established in 1974 to provide intellectual leadership in applied economics, especially for natural resources and environmental policy. The successful applicant will be a distinguished scholar in economics who has made substantive contributions to economic policy. Exceptional candidates of all ranks will be considered. Applicants should hold an appropriate doctoral degree and have exceptional research and teaching records. Salary and start-up package will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

As a prominent faculty leader at Wyoming, the Bugas Professor will join an institution with momentum and great aspirations. The Department has an internationally ranked Ph.D. program in applied microeconomics. The person is expected to maintain a productive research program, be involved in the supervision of graduate students, and can teach in the undergraduate and graduate programs. The ideal candidate will also demonstrate an ability to raise external funding to support research and training.
Applicants should provide a cover letter, curriculum vitae, and contact information for at least three references who would be contacted after discussion with the candidate. Interested candidates may direct any questions to Professor Klaas van ‘t Veld.

Interim Associate Program Officer: Gates Foundation, Seattle, WA

This position sits within the Director’s Office under the management of the Deputy Director, Strategy, Planning, and Management. You will work in close collaboration with a Senior Program Officer for Impact (SPO). The primary responsibility of this limited-term Associate Program Officer is to support the implementation of our Monitor Impact work, specifically related to evaluation. You will be responsible to manage a set of grants focused on evaluation including: leading internal processes for grant making; analysis of grant performance; and sharing of findings to relevant stakeholders.

Under the leadership and direction of the SPO

- Develop a new series of investments designed to achieve our evaluation strategy goals.
  - Partner with external organizations to advance the foundation's global knowledge and expertise on evaluation in agricultural development.
  - Provide technical support related to the implementation of our evaluation strategy across the AgDev team.
  - Assist in the development and design of multiple impact evaluations conducted by grantees through technical input.
  - Provide support to the Program Officer responsible for launching a new monitoring mechanism called MPACT.
  - Execute the process for investment scoring and provide end-of-year analysis on the performance of investments by body of work.
  - Assist with collating lessons learned for strategy review inputs.
  - Liaise and partner with all portfolios on the team to inform their learning agendas and evaluation strategies.
  - Participate actively and collaboratively as a member of the Monitoring and Evaluation Working Group.
  - Provide ongoing research, background information, and analytical support for portfolio management, including: interpretation of relevant data from evaluations within agriculture, staying current on emerging evidence for impact

Apply online

Departmental seminars

Trade and Development

*Trade and development seminars will resume the week of December 2.*
Job Talk Seminar
"Global Agricultural Value Chains and Structural Transformation"
Sunghun Lim
Wednesday, November 27
12:00 p.m., 230 Ruttan

Seminars in other departments

Math Econ Seminar
"Identifying preference for early resolution from asset prices"
Hengjie Ai, UMN
Monday, November 25
3:30 p.m., HMH 4-170

Micro-Macro Seminar
TBA
Andrew J. Shephard, University of Pennsylvania
Wednesday, November 27
12:00 p.m., HMH 4-170

Federal Bag Lunch
"Dynamics of deterrence"
Amanda Michaud, Western
Tuesday, November 26
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

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Announcements

Annual Luncheon Reminder
Please remember to RSVP to the Annual Luncheon by Thursday, December 5th. The luncheon will take place on Friday, December 13th. It will be held in the North Star Ballroom, St. Paul Student Center, starting at 11:30 a.m. RSVP to Melissa Ilse.

Faculty Meeting Friday, December 6
There will be faculty meeting this Friday, December 6 beginning at 1:30 p.m (*note time change) in 119 Ruttan Hall. The only agenda item for this meeting will be the annual review of tenure-track probationary faculty and vote. Only tenured faculty will be in attendance at the meeting. Materials were sent last week and voting will be made available later in the week if you will be unable to attend.

Robert S. McNamara Fellowships Program
The World Bank Robert S. McNamara Fellowships Program will open for applications between January 16, 2019 and February 13, 2020. The program awards grants of up to $25,000 for PhD candidates in developing countries to travel abroad for 6-10 months under the supervision of a host research advisor at either the World Bank, a university, or other research institution. During that time, the application and the opportunity to email questions will be available.

Applicants must meet the following core Eligibility Criteria:

- Be a citizen of a World Bank member developing country
- Be 35 years of age or younger
- Be enrolled in a PhD program on a development topic in a member developing country of the World Bank
- Have completed all coursework and exam requirements for attaining a PhD.

Visit http://www.worldbank.org/scholarships for the complete list of eligibility and selection criteria, eligible fields of development, and the application process.

Jobs
Assistant or Associate Professor: Dalhousie University

The Faculty of Agriculture invites applications for a probationary tenure-track or tenure-track appointment in Food & Agribusiness Entrepreneurship at the rank of Assistant or Associate Professor. Applicants must have:

i) a PhD in Business, Management, or related field from an accredited university. ABDs (All But Dissertation) may also be considered; and,

ii) research or application in food and agribusiness entrepreneurship including peer-reviewed publications or in the case of an ABD or a recent PhD candidate or a candidate working primarily in industry, demonstrated capacity to produce such publications.

iii) Experience in or ability to teach business management courses including agribusiness entrepreneurship

The successful applicant will teach courses in food and agribusiness entrepreneurship and business management at the diploma, undergraduate and graduate levels. In addition, the successful candidate will engage with the Faculty of Agriculture’s Cultiv8 entrepreneurship program. The candidate will be expected to conduct research in the area of entrepreneurship with direct relevance to the food and agribusiness sector and publish in high quality scholarly journals. Building strong research and outreach connections with the food and agricultural industry as well as attracting and maintaining research funding will be essential.

Apply online

PhD Position: Scotland

This project represents an exciting opportunity to make a difference and help Scotland to adapt to climate change by addressing critical questions of water security within a multi-disciplinary framework. You will gain highly sought-after skills in both socio-economic and environmental analysis, mathematical modelling, environmental science and management, stakeholder interaction and systems analysis. You will have the opportunity to build professional networks with a wide range of organisations, take ownership of the project and influence the direction of the research. You will be trained to develop as a highly skilled independent researcher well equipped for a successful competitive career in academia, public, private and non-governmental sectors.

Apply online

Paid Internships: Penn State

The Algorithms, Prototyping, and Integration Department of the Applied Research Laboratory is seeking highly motivated undergraduate students for an engineering internship to help research and develop quality software and algorithmic solutions to our sponsor’s complex problems as either software engineers or data scientists. As a Software Engineer, duties will include: development, testing, and transitioning of Java and Javascript based software systems including aspects of server, client, and web service components. Software candidates
should have experience in technologies such as Java, Python, JavaScript, React – Redux, HTML5, CSS, relational (PostgreSQL) and non-relational (NoSQL) databases and have a solid understanding of data structures and Object-Oriented Design (OOD) concepts. As a data scientist, duties will include researching and developing feasible algorithmic solutions to given large sets of multivariate data. Specifically, you will be engaged in machine learning based analytic research and development of large multivariate data sets. Data Science candidates should have experience in large data and machine learning languages/technologies such as R, Python, TensorFlow, Keras, Spark, Hadoop, NiFi or equivalents. Students studying Computer Science, Computer Engineering, and Data Science are encouraged to apply.

Apply online

Research Officer: Oxford

The GCRF Water Security and Sustainable Development Hub offers a postdoctoral research opportunity to a candidate who has been awarded, or is nearing completion of, a doctoral degree. The Research Officer will conduct field and research activities, including the collection of individual and household survey data in Ethiopia and Kenya, to support a program of research on household decision-making around water issues under the direction of the PI, Dr. Cheryl Doss. They will collaborate and publish with other team members, and undertake other tasks as directed.

The postholder will be based in the Oxford Department of International Development and have the opportunity both to engage with GCRF Hub team, the REACH team and the large community of development economists at the Centre of the Study of African Economies and in the broader Oxford community. Outside the University, researchers will work directly with teams of collaborators working on the GCRF Hub in Ethiopia and the REACH project in both Ethiopia and Kenya. The post is full-time, for 3 years.

Apply online

Departmental seminars

Trade and Development
"Gangs of Medellin: How Organized Crime is Organized"
Chris Blattman, University of Chicago
Friday, December 6
10:30 a.m., 119 Ruttan

Job Talk Seminar
"Male Marriage Premium in Korean Farm Households and Wife's Nationality"
Soomin Lee
Thursday, December 5
2:00 p.m., 230 Ruttan
Seminars in other departments

MPC Seminar
"The U.S. HIV Epidemic in High-Priority Populations: A Spatial Demographic and Spatial Epidemiological Analysis"
Dustin Duncan, NYU
Monday, December 2
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey

Life Course Seminar
"In Search of Effective Strategies for Promoting Physical Activity in Older Adults: Research in Progress"
Siobhan McMahon, UMN
Wednesday, December 4
12:15 p.m., 50 Willey

Minnesota Economics Seminar
TBA
Willie Fuchs, University of Texas
Thursday, December 5
12:00 p.m., HMH 4-170

Federal Bag Lunch
TBA
Marco Tabellini, Harvard Business
Tuesday, December 3
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

TBA
Juanpa Nicolini, Minneapolis Fed
Wednesday, December 4
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

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Announcements

2020 Regional Economic Conditions Conference

The Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis invites you to join us on January 9, 2020, for our annual Regional Economic Conditions Conference. The half-day conference will focus on state economic outlooks and key industry spotlights for the Ninth Federal Reserve District, which includes Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, northwestern Wisconsin, and the Upper Peninsula of Michigan.

Beth Ford, president and CEO of Land O’Lakes, will kick off the conference with a keynote address and a moderated Q&A with Neel Kashkari, Minneapolis Fed president. The conference will also feature presentations and panel discussions with prominent economists from each district state whose work shapes local knowledge about regional economies and informs state-level public policy.

Register now

Jobs

Physical Scientist: Washington, D.C.

This position is located in the Office of Air and Radiation, Office of Atmospheric Programs, Climate Change Division, Climate Science and Impacts Branch.

- Identify, adapt and interpret climate change impacts research;
- Manage climate change impact and risk analysis projects;
- Develop materials to communicate climate science results, including strengths and limitations, of analyses to management and senior officials;
- Collaborate with internal and external stakeholders on climate-change science, mitigation and adaption, and communication issues.

Apply online

**Funded PhD: Enschede**

This 4-year fully-funded PhD position is part of the ERC Starting Grant project “Scaling up behavior and autonomous adaptation for macro models of climate change damage assessment (SCALAR)”. The SCALAR-research program is made possible thanks to a 1.5 million euro personal grant from the European Research Council. The successful candidate will work within the SCALAR research team to explore how various economic sectors in different countries are impacted by floods, how damage functions could be improved, and how individual climate change adaptation options can be integrated, given behavioral biases and economic feedbacks.

Apply online

**Knobloch Chair: University of Wyoming**

The University of Wyoming (UW) invites applications for the Knobloch Professorship in the Helga Otto Haub School of Environment and Natural Resources (ENR) focusing on economic dimensions of conservation. They seek an accomplished and creative individual to provide research, outreach/engagement, teaching, and service consistent with the educational mission of the University of Wyoming. The professor will conduct research to advance the field of conservation economics, engage with communities to support real-world decision making, and teach undergraduate and graduate courses in their area of expertise. They seek colleagues who can demonstrate excellent interdisciplinary scholarship and teaching, outstanding communication skills, and capacity to advance the Haub School’s reputation and vision. They are especially interested in candidates with experience in the American West and evidence of effective engagement with stakeholders including natural resource agencies, land managers, conservation organizations, and communities. The preferred candidate may be of any rank, but we envision hiring an associate professor. Candidates at the assistant professor level with an established record of research are encouraged to apply.

The Knobloch Professorship is supported by an endowment with funds that may be used for research, conference travel, graduate students, sponsoring visiting lecturers, and other activities relevant to the position.

Apply online
Postdoctoral Scholar: UC Santa Barbara

eMLab seeks a postdoctoral researcher in environmental and resource economics to contribute to the vibrant intellectual atmosphere at UCSB, which houses faculty, postdocs, students, and professional research staff. Among other contributions, the postdoc will be expected to contribute to a current project evaluating the extent to which new technologies can have conservation impacts, with an application to global food systems. In particular, eMLab researchers are examining whether innovations in cell-based seafood can transform supply and demand of food from the sea, and the role they may play in ocean conservation outcomes.

The ideal candidate will have a PhD in environmental or resource economics with excellent empirical and structural modeling skills, and may also have an interest in food systems and conservation. The scholar will work closely with and report to Christopher Costello, Andrew Plantinga, and Olivier Deschenes, and will have the opportunity to collaborate with other eMLab principals. The successful candidate will have flexibility to contribute to various dimensions of the food systems project, and can also allocate a fraction of their time to their own research.

Apply online

Departmental seminars

Job Talk Seminar
"Global Agricultural Value Chains and Structural Transformation"
Sunghun Lim
Tuesday, December 17
1:00 p.m., 230 Ruttan

Seminars in other departments

Micro-Macro Seminar
"Physician Behavior in the Presence of a Secondary Market: The Case of Prescription Opioids"
Molly Schnell, Northwestern
Wednesday, December 18
12:00 p.m., HMH 4-170

Federal Bag Lunch
"Technological Change and the Consequences of Job Loss"
Carter Braxton, UMN
Tuesday, December 17
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

"Idiosyncratic Risk and the Wealth Distribution: A Toy Model"
Andy Atkeson, UCLA
Wednesday, December 18
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

TBA
Hannes Scwandt, Northwestern
Thursday, December 19
12:00 p.m., Research Conference Room

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