

MISSOURI VALLEY ECONOMIC ASSOCIATION

**Fifty-Fifth Annual Meeting
November 1 - 3, 2018**



**Sheraton Memphis Downtown Hotel
Memphis, Tennessee**

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

President Phil Miller
President-Elect..... Christopher Douglas
Vice-President..... Kristie Briggs
Past President & Director..... Jennifer Ball
Past President & Director..... Ken Brown
Past Vice-President & Director Ali Moshtagh
Director 2016-18Kathryn Birkeland
Director 2017-19.....Shar Self
Executive Secretary..... Ken Brown
Treasurer Fred Abraham
Director of Public Affairs.....Kathryn Birkeland
Co-Chairs, Editorial Bd..... Scott Fausti, David Hakes

**Preparation and printing of this
program partially financed by the
University of Missouri-Kansas City**



2018

**MISSOURI VALLEY ECONOMIC
ASSOCIATION**

55th ANNUAL MEETING

Sheraton Memphis Downtown Hotel

Memphis, Tennessee

Thursday, Friday and Saturday

November 1 - 3, 2018

The **Missouri Valley Economic Association** was organized on November 29, 1963. Under the present constitution, adopted in 1974, the Association continues to pursue the objective, first stated in the original constitution, of encouraging the development of economics as a theoretical as well as an applied discipline.

Membership: Fees are to be paid according to the following schedule:

One Year (2018)	\$40.00
Two Years (2018, 2019)	70.00
Three Years (2018, 2019, 2020)	100.00

Members receive a volume (consisting of two issues per volume) of *Journal of Economic Insight (formerly The Journal of Economics (MVEA))* with each year’s subscription. Members also receive registration materials, calls for papers, ballots, all announcements and notices. For more information, please inquire at the registration desk, or by writing to the Executive Secretary.

Hotel Accommodations

Sheraton Memphis Downtown Hotel
 Memphis, Tennessee

For the Conference	Registration Fee	
	Members	Non-Members
Advance registration by October 10	\$70.00	\$100.00
Registration after October 10	\$85.00	\$115.00
Students	\$35.00	\$40.00

Send any inquiries regarding the conference to

Phillip Miller, MVEA President
 Minnesota State University, Mankato
 Department of Economics
 Mankato, MN 56001

Phillip.miller@mnsu.edu
 Website: www.mvea.net

Registration

Thursday, November 1	12:00 pm to 5:00 pm
Friday, November 2	8:00 am to 5:00 pm
Saturday, November 3	8:00 am to 10:30 am

JOURNAL OF ECONOMIC INSIGHT

All papers presented at the conference are eligible for publication consideration in the refereed *Journal of Economic Insight* published by the Missouri Valley Economic Association. Submission deadline: November 16, 2018. Submission fee: \$25.

Members of the MVEA receive a copy of the *Journal of Economic Insight* automatically. Other persons and institutions may purchase the *Journal* for \$16. Information on the *Journal of Economic Insight* may be obtained by writing to:

CHRISTOPHER DOUGLAS, CO-EDITOR
 Department of Economics, University of Michigan-Flint, Flint, MI 48502-1950
 email: ccdougla@umflint.edu

JOURNAL OF ECONOMIC INSIGHT



The *Journal of Economic Insight* (formerly the *Journal of Economics* (MVEA)) is published biannually by the Missouri Valley Economic Association and is printed in Cedar Falls, Iowa. It is indexed by the *EconLit*, *e-JEL*, and *JEL on CD*, *Sociological Abstracts*, and *Academic Search*. In addition, the Missouri Valley Economic Association has entered into an electronic licensing relationship with EBSCO Publishing. The full text of the *Journal of Economic Insight* can be found on EBSCO Publishing's databases.

Papers presented at the annual meeting have a submission fee of \$25. All other manuscripts have a submission fee of \$50. Both are subject to the usual refereeing process. Authors may, with no submission fee, submit a comment with regard to an article already published in the *Journal* or a short note. These should be narrowly focused pieces, not in excess of 2,000 words, which make some particularly salient point(s). Submit three hard copies of manuscripts to Christopher Douglas, Co-editor, Department of Economics, University of Michigan-Flint, 303 E. Kearsley St., 220 French Hall, Flint, MI 48502-1950. Submit digital copies via email to ccdougla@umflint.edu.

Memberships in the Association are on a calendar year basis and include the *Journal* for that year. Personal memberships are available to individuals at dues of \$40 per year. Institutional memberships are \$100 per year. Continuing orders are accepted.

www.mvea.net

Past Presidents of the MVEA

1963-64	PAUL MERZ <i>St. Louis University</i>	1991-92	DENNIS JOHNSON <i>University of South Dakota</i>
1964-65	WILLIAM CASSIDY <i>Compliance Officer, NLRB</i>	1992-93	DAVID E.R. GAY <i>U. of Arkansas-Fayetteville</i>
1965-66	RUSSELL BAUDER <i>Univ. of Missouri-Columbia</i>	1993-94	JOHN A. TATOM <i>St. Louis Federal Reserve</i>
1966-67	KERMIT WATKINS <i>William Jewell College</i>	1994-95	DON SCHILLING <i>Univ. of Missouri-Columbia</i>
1967-68	ARTHUR MEYERS <i>St. Louis University</i>	1995-96	FRED J. ABRAHAM <i>University of Northern Iowa</i>
1968-69	JOHN MOORE <i>Lindenwood College</i>	1996-97	RONALD L. MOOMAW <i>Oklahoma State University</i>
1969-70	WALTER JOHNSON <i>Univ. of Missouri-Columbia</i>	1997-98	PAULINE FOX <i>Southeast Missouri State U.</i>
1970-71	DAVID LAGES <i>Southwest Missouri State U.</i>	1998-99	CLAUDIA PECK-HEATH <i>University of Kentucky</i>
1971-72	JOSEPH MCKENNA <i>Univ. of Missouri-St. Louis</i>	1999-00	VAMAN RAO <i>Western Illinois University</i>
1972-73	CHARLES DRAKE <i>Central Missouri State Univ.</i>	2000-01	RONALD D. GILBERT <i>Texas Tech University</i>
1973-74	JEROME SCHWIER <i>St. Louis</i>	2001-02	JAMES R. GALE <i>Michigan Tech University</i>
1974-76	PAUL JUNK <i>Washburn University</i>	2002-03	MICHAEL STELLERN <i>Rockhurst University</i>
1976-77	ANN SCHWIER <i>Southern Illinois-Edwardsville</i>	2003-04	WILLADEE WEHMEYER <i>MidAmerica Nazarene</i>
1977-78	LEONARD WHITE <i>U. of Arkansas-Fayetteville</i>	2004	GARY LATANICH <i>Arkansas State University</i>
1978-79	STEVEN LIN <i>Southern Illinois-Edwardsville</i>	2004-05	WILLIAM GERDES <i>Clarke College</i>
1979-80	JERALD BARNARD <i>University of Iowa</i>	2005-06	GALE BLALOCK <i>University of Evansville</i>
1980-81	STANLEY JOHNSON <i>Univ. of Missouri-Columbia</i>	2006-07	DENNIS PETRUSKA <i>Youngstown State University</i>
1981-82	S. CHARLES MAURICE <i>Texas A & M University</i>	2007-08	ROBERT STANLEY HERREN <i>North Dakota State Univ.</i>
1982-83	WALTER MULLENDORE <i>Univ. of Texas-Arlington</i>	2008-09	DANIEL BIEDERMAN <i>University of North Dakota</i>
1983-84	A.J. KONDONASSIS <i>University of Oklahoma</i>	2009-10	JANNETT HIGHFILL <i>Bradley University</i>
1984-85	COLDWELL DANIEL III <i>Memphis State University</i>	2010-11	SCOTT FAUSTI <i>South Dakota State University</i>
1985-86	W. ROBERT BRAZELTON <i>U. of Missouri-Kansas City</i>	2011-12	OSCAR FLORES <i>Minnesota State U.-Moorhead</i>
1986-87	LAWRENCE F. ZIEGLER <i>Univ. of Texas-Arlington</i>	2012-13	LINDA GHENT <i>Eastern Illinois University</i>
1987-88	DONALD L. BUMPASS <i>Oklahoma State University</i>	2013-14	RICHARD ANDERSON <i>Lindenwood University</i>
1988-89	WALLACE PETERSON <i>University of Nebraska</i>	2014-15	MICHAEL SEEBORG <i>Illinois Wesleyan University</i>
1989-90	MICHAEL EDGMAND <i>University of Nebraska</i>	2015-16	KEN BROWN <i>Missouri State University</i>
1990-91	KAREN VORST <i>U. of Missouri-Kansas City</i>	2016-17	JENNIFER BALL <i>Washburn University</i>

Thursday, November 1, 2018

12:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Registration Foyer

1:15 - 3:00 p.m.

Session 1 – International Economics 1	Knoxville
Session 2 – Public Economics 1	Oxford
Session 3 – Health and Welfare 1	Chattanooga
Session 4 – Innovations in the Economics of Academics	Jackson
Session 5 – Economic Development 1	Natchez
Session 6 – Sports Economics - Sponsored by the North American Association of Sports Economists (NAASE)	Memphis

3:00 - 3:15 p.m.

Coffee Break Foyer

3:15 - 5:00 p.m.

Session 7 – Critical Conversation: School System Reform - The Imperative of Escaping Pricelessness	Knoxville
Session 8 – International Economics 2	Oxford
Session 9 – Financial Economics 1	Chattanooga
Session 10 – History of Economic Thought	Jackson
Session 11 – Financial Economics 2 (IP)	St. Louis
Session 12 – Labor and Demography 1	Natchez
Session 13 – Law and Economics	Memphis

Thursday, November 1, 2018 (cont.)

5:15 - 6:45 p.m.

Session 14 – Roundtable Discussion on the State of the Economy Nashville

7:00 - 8:15 p.m.

MVEA Mixer Magnolia I

Friday, November 2, 2018

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Registration Foyer

8:15 - 10:00 a.m.

Session 15 – Business and Economics Education Knoxville
Session 16 – Microeconomics 1 Oxford
Session 17 – Macroeconomics 1 Chattanooga
Session 18 – Public Economics 2 Jackson
Session 19 – Labor and Demography 2 St. Louis
Session 20 – Economic Development 2 Natchez
Session 21 – Urban and Regional Economics Memphis

10:00 - 10:15 a.m.

Coffee Break Foyer

10:15 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Session 22 – Quantitative Methods 1 Knoxville
Session 23 – Health, Education, and Welfare 1 Oxford
Session 24 – Microeconomics 2 (IP) Chattanooga
Session 25 – Health, Education, and Welfare (IP) Jackson
Session 26 – Topics in Applied Economics St. Louis
Session 27 – Economics of Education 1 (IP) Natchez
Session 28 – Undergraduate 1 Memphis

Friday, November 2, 2018 (cont.)

12:00 - 1:15 p.m.

Session 29 – MVEA Luncheon Nashville

1:30 - 3:15 p.m.

Session 30 – Economic Education Knoxville
Session 31 – Microeconomics 3 Oxford
Session 32 – Macroeconomics 2 Chattanooga
Session 33 – Economics of Education 2 Jackson
Session 34 – Health Economics St. Louis
Session 35 – Industrial Organization Natchez
Session 36 – International Economics 3 (IP) Memphis

3:15 - 3:30 p.m.

Coffee Break Foyer

3:30 - 5:15 p.m.

Session 37 – Microeconomics 4 Knoxville
Session 38 – Economics of Education 3 Oxford
Session 39 – Public Economics 3 (IP) Chattanooga
Session 40 – Health and Welfare 2 (IP) Jackson
Session 41 – Macroeconomics 3 St. Louis
Session 42 – Undergraduate 2 Natchez
Session 43 – Labor Economics 1 Memphis

3:30 - 5:15 p.m.

Session 44 – Editorial Board Meeting, *Journal of Economic Insight* TBA

Friday, November 2, 2018 (cont.)

5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Session 45 – MVEA General Business Meeting Natchez

6:45 - 7:45 p.m.

Session 46 – MVEA President's Reception TBA

Saturday, November 3, 2018

8:00 - 10:30 a.m.

Registration Foyer

7:15 - 8:15 a.m.

Session 47 – Past MVEA Presidents' Breakfast Crossroads
Tavern & Grille

8:15 - 10:00 a.m.

Session 48 – MVEA Executive Committee Meeting Boardroom

8:15 - 10:00 a.m.

Session 49 – Quantitative Methods 2 Knoxville
Session 50 – International Economics 4 Oxford
Session 51 – Financial Economics 3 Chattanooga
Session 52 – Macroeconomics 4 (IP) Jackson
Session 53 – Labor and Demography 3 St. Louis
Session 54 – Economic Development 3 Natchez
Session 55 – Agricultural and Environmental Memphis
Economics 1

Saturday, November 3, 2018 (cont.)

10:00 - 10:15 a.m.

Coffee Break

Foyer

10:15 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Session 56 – International Economics 5	Knoxville
Session 57 – Macroeconomics 5 (IP)	Oxford
Session 58 – International Economics 6 (IP)	Chattanooga
Session 59 – Economic Development 4 (IP)	Jackson
Session 60 – Agricultural and Environmental Economics 2 (IP)	St. Louis
Session 61 – Labor Economics and Environmental Economics	Natchez
Session 62 – Undergraduate Panel on Sustainable Development	Memphis

Session Rules

Chairs: The length of each session is one hour and forty-five minutes and four papers have been assigned in most sessions. This allows approximately 15 minutes for each paper presenter, 5-7 minutes for each discussant, and about 5 minutes for questions from the audience. "In Process" (IP) sessions should allot approximately 15 minutes for each paper presenter and 10 minutes for comments, questions, and discussion from the audience. Chairs presiding in sessions that have been assigned two or three papers should adjust the maximum time available to presenters, discussants, and audience accordingly.

Presenters: In order for all presenters and discussants to have adequate session time, it is important for presenters to confine their presentation to the length of time announced by the session chair at the beginning of the session. Please, do not be offended if the chair politely reminds you to finish your presentation.

Discussants: It is the discussant's responsibility to appraise the work of the paper presenter and to offer constructive criticism where appropriate. Please consider the age and experience of the presenter when making your comments. Some of the presenters may be undergraduate or graduate students who are attending their first meeting. Also, do not feel obligated to use the entire time. If you wish, you may open the discussion of the paper to the other participants in the session and the audience.

Thanks: Thanks to all contributors, discussants and chairs for making a successful program.

Contributed Sessions

Thanks to all who arranged sessions

4. **Innovations in the Economics of Academics.**
Arranged by J. Jobu Babin, Western Illinois University
6. **Sports Economics - Sponsored by the North American Association of Sports Economists.**
Arranged by Michael Davis, Missouri University of Science and Technology, Nick Watanabe, University of South Carolina, and Phil Miller, Minnesota State University – Mankato
7. **Critical Conversation: School System Reform - The Imperative of Escaping Pricelessness.**
Arranged by John Merrifield, University of Texas – San Antonio
10. **History of Economic Thought.** Arranged by Robert Stanley Herren, North Dakota State University and John R. Walker, University of Wisconsin – River Falls
26. **Topics in Applied Economics.** Arranged by Jamein Cunningham, University of Memphis
33. **Economics of Education 2.** Arranged by Kathryn Birkeland, University of South Dakota
41. **Macroeconomics 3.** Arranged by Dennis Petruska, Youngstown State University
43. **Labor Economics 1.** Arranged by Kathryn Birkeland, University of South Dakota and Robert Stanley Herren, North Dakota State University
62. **Undergraduate Panel on Sustainable Development.** Patricia Papachristou, Christian Brothers University

Data Driven...Success Proven

Economics & Decision Sciences Western Illinois University

Master of Science in
Applied Statistics &
Decision Analytics

Master of Arts in
Economics

Graduate Certificate in
Business Analytics



**WESTERN
ILLINOIS
UNIVERSITY**

- ✓ Assistantships Available
- ✓ 1 Year Programs
- ✓ Small Class Sizes
- ✓ Essential Job Market Skills
- ✓ Top Ph.D. Placements
- ✓ Flexible Online & Evening Courses

www.wiu.edu/eds
economics@wiu.edu

Session # 1

Knoxville

International Economics 1

Chair: Andrew Parkes, Northern Arizona University

A. *Populism, Protectionism, and (Trade) Policy*

Tyler Daun and Gustavo Torrens, Indiana University -
Bloomington, Sebastian Galiani, University of Maryland

**B. *The Importance Of Heterogeneity In Determining
The Effects Of Preferential Trade Agreements On
FDI***

Norikatsu Hiraide, Peri da Silva and Leilei Shen, Kansas
State University

**C. *The Multilateral Trade Policy of the Arab League
Countries: An Empirical Investigation***

Atika Benaddi and Peri da Silva, Kansas State University

Discussants:

- a. Fadi Fawaz, Tennessee State University
- b. Tamrat Gashaw, Columbia University of New York
- c. Trang Hoang, Vanderbilt University

Session # 2

Oxford

Public Economics 1

Chair: David Yaskewich, Southeast Missouri State University

A. *Household (Under) Adoption of Sanitation: Externalities and Borrowing Constraints*

Sanghmitra Gautam, Washington University in St Louis

B. *Determinants of Property Assessment Costs in the State of Michigan*

Yunni Deng, Michigan State University

C. *The Gravity of Government In Developing Country Exports*

Michael M. Tansey, Rockhurst University, Quang Q. Nguyen, Creighton University

Discussants:

- a. Brent Norwood, University of Oklahoma
- b. Shafiun Shimul, Dhaka University, Bangladesh
- c. Town Oh, Purdue University

Session # 3

Chattanooga

Health and Welfare 1

Chair: Seth Cartre, Indiana University

A. *Self-Esteem and the Likelihood of Becoming Overweight Among Young Adults*

Echu Liu, Saint Louis University, Hsinling Hsieh,
Northern Michigan University, Ihung Li, Southern Illinois
University at Carbondale

B. *The Effect of Female Peers on Non-cognitive and Cognitive Outcomes*

Cody T. Orr, Michigan State University

C. *Inter Vivos Transfers and Labor Market Choices*

Abigail Loxton, Indiana University

Discussants:

- a. Dinkar Kuchibhotla, University of Akron
- b. Kelly Edmiston, Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City
- c. Sebastian Linde, Grand Valley State University

Session # 4

Jackson

Arranged by J. Jobu Babin, Western Illinois University

Innovations in the Economics of Academics

Chair: J. Jobu Babin, Western Illinois University

A. *Beauty Premiums and Academics: Lifting the Online Veil*

J. Jobu Babin, Western Illinois University

B. *Do Graduate School and Advisor Characteristics Affect Economists' Later Publication and Co-Authorship Rates?*

Andrew Hussey, University of Memphis

C. *Personal Finance Education Mandates, Financial Aid Receipt, and Student Loan Repayment*

Daniel Mangrum, Vanderbilt University

D. *Bakken Out of Education to Toil in Oil*

Paul Niekamp, Vanderbilt University

Discussants:

- a. Daniel Mangrum, Vanderbilt University
- b. Paul Niekamp, Vanderbilt University
- c. Andrew Hussey, University of Memphis
- d. J. Jobu Babin, Western Illinois University

Session # 5

Natchez

Economic Development 1

Chair: Harold R. Christensen, Centenary College of Louisiana

A. *Effects of Bilateral Aid Heterogeneity on Taxes, Public Investment and Consumption: Evidence from Pakistan*

Suleman Abdiah, Sajal Lahiri, Southern Illinois University-Carbondale

B. *European Regional Growth Convergence and the Productive Role of Local Governance During Economic Recovery*

Micah DelVecchio, Saginaw Valley State University

Discussants:

- a. Sahan Shrestha, Eastern Illinois University
- b. Hilina Feleke, Tennessee State university

Session # 6

Memphis

Arranged by Michael Davis, Missouri University of Science and Technology, Nick Watanabe, University of South Carolina, and Phil Miller, Minnesota State University-Mankato

Sports Economics - Sponsored by the North American Association of Sports Economists (NAASE)

Chair: Phil Miller, Minnesota State University - Mankato

A. *Arbitration Versus Free Agency: Using Major League Baseball To Discuss How Evolving Information Fails To Make Its Way Into This Restricted Market*

Jeremy Losak, Clemson University

B. *Outcome Uncertainty and Asymmetric Salary Caps in Rugby Union*

Thomas A. Rhoads, Towson University

C. *Individual Skills and Total Earnings of Golfers*

Michael C. Davis, Missouri Univ. of Science and Technology

D. *The Impact of Player Salaries on NFL Ticket Prices: Further Evidence*

Rachel Deters, Teshome Abebe, Eastern Illinois University

Session # 6 (continued)

Memphis

Discussants:

- a. Rachel Deters, Eastern Illinois University
- b. Michael Davis, Missouri University of Science and Technology
- c. Jeremy Losak, Clemson University
- d. Thomas Rhoads, Towson University

Coffee Break

Foyer

Coffee Break sponsored by

**North American Association of
Sports Economists**



Session # 7

Knoxville

Arranged by John Merrifield, University of Texas-San Antonio

Critical Conversation: School System Reform - The Imperative of Escaping Pricelessness*

Chair: John Merrifield, University of Texas - San Antonio

PANELISTS:

John Merrifield, University of Texas - San Antonio

Vance Ginn, Texas Public Policy Foundation

* A Panel Discussion with an introduction by the organizer. All session participants will then participate in the conversation.

Session # 8

Oxford

International Economics 2

Chair: Fadi Fawaz, Tennessee State University

A. *Is There an Economic Solution to the Korean Dilemma?*

Randall E. Waldron, John Brown University, Mandie R. Weinandt, University of South Dakota

B. *Softwood Lumber Dispute, Part 5*

Andrew L. H. Parkes, Northern Arizona University

C. *Taxes and Capital Flight: Empirical Evidence from SSA Countries*

Eric J. Sommermeyer, Wartburg College, Tamrat W. Gashaw, Columbia University of New York

Discussants:

- a. Elizabeth McDonell, Tennessee State University
- b. Norikatsu Hiraide, Kansas State University
- c. Tyler Daun, Indiana University - Bloomington

Session # 9

Chattanooga

Financial Economics 1

Chair: Mark Tuttle, Sam Houston State University

A. *Quantitative Easing Policy and Income Inequality and Factor-Augmented VAR Model*

Sima Siami-Namini, Darren Hudson, Texas Tech University

B. *Exact Replication of the Best Portfolio in Hindsight*

Alex Garivaltis, Northern Illinois University

Discussants:

- a. Ahmed Smahi, University of Tlemcen, Algeria
- b. Shih-Chuan Lin, University of Missouri-Columbia

Session # 10

Jackson

Arranged by Robert Stanley Herren, North Dakota State University and John R. Walker, University of Wisconsin-River Falls

History of Economic Thought

Chair: John R. Walker, University of Wisconsin-River Falls

A. *Alvin Hansen and the Secular Stagnation Thesis*

Robert Brazelton, University of Missouri-Kansas City

B. *Robinson, Andrews and the Oxford Economists' Research Group in Retrospect: 'What Remains of 'Full Cost Pricing'?*

Lowell Jacobsen, Baker University

C. *Rational Foolishness*

Kevin Quinn, Bowling Green State University

Discussants:

- a. Kevin Quinn, Bowling Green State University
- b. Robert Brazelton, University of Missouri-Kansas City
- c. Lowell Jacobsen, Baker University

Session # 11

St. Louis

Financial Economics 2 (IP)

Chair: Siavash Rashidi Sabet, Northern Illinois University

A. *Detection of structural regimes and analyzing the impact of crude oil market on IFX index return; with emphasis on nonlinear Markov regime-switching approach*

Mohammad Reza Mahmoudi, Northern Illinois University, Mehrdad Heyrani, Sharif University of Technology

B. *Partnership Demographics and the Performance of New Business Ventures*

Kelly D. Edmiston, Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City

C. *Multiple Structural Change of Persistence under Nonstationary Volatility*

Xuewen Yu, Mohitosh Kejriwal, Purdue University

Session # 12

Natchez

Labor and Demography 1

Chair: Abigail Loxton, Indiana University

A. *Cultural Gender Equity and Women's Relative Labor-Market Performance*

William Jergins, Texas Tech University

B. *Fortunes and Misfortunes of the Dragon Sons: Direct and Indirect Effects of Superstition on Education*

Andy Chou, Michigan State University

C. *Cohabitation, Marriage, and Fertility: Divergent Patterns for Different Skill Groups*

Helu Jiang, Washington University in St. Louis

Discussants:

- a. Yunni Deng, Michigan State University
- b. R. Kaj Gittings, Texas Tech University
- c. Catherine McDevitt, Central Michigan University

Session # 13

Memphis

Law and Economics

Chair: Betsy Rankin, Centenary College of Louisiana

A. *The Effects of Rural Male Gun Use on Violent Crime*

Paul S. Niekamp, Vanderbilt University

B. *Price Regulation of Monopoly Health Care Providers: The Benefits Healthcare Certificate of Public Advantage*

Christopher Garmon, University of Missouri-Kansas City

C. *Do Different Regions of the United States have Different Levels of Law Enforcement Efficiency?*

Shannon Graham, Clemson University

D. *Economic Determinants of Arrests in NFL Stadia*

J. Jobu Babin, Jessica Lin, and Alice Melkumian,
Western Illinois University

Discussants:

- a. Samuel Asare, Georgia State University
- b. Sanghmitra Gautam, Washington University in St Louis
- c. Daniel Halim, Univ. of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- d. Ken Brown, Missouri State University

Session # 14

Nashville

Roundtable Discussion on the State of the Economy

Welcome: Phil Miller, Minnesota State University - Mankato

PANELISTS:

Richard Anderson

Senior Research Fellow
School of Business and Entrepreneurship
Lindenwood University
University of Missouri-Kansas City

Michael R. Pakko

Chief Economist and State Economic Forecaster
Arkansas Economic Development Institute (AEDI)
University of Arkansas at Little Rock

Nathan Smith

Economic Policy Director
Arkansas Development Finance Authority

Jeffrey S. Wallace

Research Associate Professor
Sparks Bureau of Business and Economic Research
University of Memphis

MVEA MIXER

Magnolia I

Sponsored by

Missouri Valley Economic Association

Session # 15

Knoxville

Business and Economics Education

Chair: Albert Sumell, Youngstown State University

A. *Participatory Economics Classroom Simulation*

Justin Jarvis, Truman State University

B. *Increasing Knowledge Retention of Business Statistics through Discipline-Specific Case Studies*

Brandon C. Koford, Gregory Parkhurst, Weber State University

C. *Some Pedagogical Notes on the IS-LM and AD-AS Models*

Richard W. Taylor, Jerry L. Crawford, Arkansas State University

Discussants:

- a. John W. Tiner, Nebraska Economics and Business Association
- b. Kevin S. S. Henning, Sam Houston State University
- c. Alex Garivaltis, Northern Illinois University

Session # 16

Oxford

Microeconomics 1

Chair: TBA

A. *A Penny Saved: Quantifying the Value of Search*

Jonah Yuen, Hamilton College

B. *Mechanism Performance under Sub-Optimal Play: A Lab Experiment in Strategy Advice*

Kristine Koutout, Andrew Dustan, Myrna Wooders,
Vanderbilt University, Martin van der Linden, Utah State
University

C. *On The Shape of Cost Functions Empirical Evidence from the U.S. Railroad Industry*

C. Gregory Bereskin, St. Ambrose University

Discussants:

- a. Irina Valenzuela, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
- b. Trent McNamara, Texas A & M University
- c. Wei Bao, University of Mississippi

Session # 17

Chattanooga

Macroeconomics 1

Chair: Haydory Akbar Ahmed, Missouri State University

A. *Divergent effects of US monetary policy and market uncertainty on the financial market volatilities*

Youn Seol, Kyungpook National University, Chan-Guk Huh, Chungnam National University

B. *How the Oil Price-Macroeconomy Relationship Has Changed: Evidence from the United States*

Mark Melichar, Tennessee Tech University

C. *Firm Heterogeneity and Wealth Distribution*

Hoipan Wong, Washington University in St. Louis

Discussants:

- a. Dawit Senbet, University of Northern Colorado
- b. Natalie D Hegwood, Sam Houston State University
- c. Sima Siami-Namini, Texas Tech University

Session # 18

Jackson

Public Economics 2

Chair: Hwanoong Lee, Michigan State University

A. *The Awkward Truth About CEO Pay*

Rafi Hossain, Northern Illinois University

B. *Food Security and Health Status of Adults in United States*

Ayodele Tope Olofinsao, North Carolina A&T State University

C. *Expanding and strengthening safety net programs (SNPs) across the life cycle supporting vulnerable groups in the hard-to-reach areas: A Benefit-Cost Analysis*

Shafiun N. Shimul, Dhaka University, Bangladesh

Discussants:

- a. David Yaskewich, Southeast Missouri State University
- b. Michael M. Tansey, Rockhurst University
- c. Sheikh Haque, Northern Illinois University

Session # 19

St. Louis

Labor and Demography 2

Chair: Teshome Abebe, Eastern Illinois University

A. *An Economic Analysis of Marital Dissolution in China*

Yizhou Chen, Western Michigan University

B. *Testation Patterns and the Married Women's Property Act: New York and Virginia*

Catherine McDevitt, James Irwin, Central Michigan University

C. *Need-Based Financing Policies, College Decision-Making and Labor Market Behavior*

Nicholas Wright, Georgia State University

Discussants:

- a. Edward Sayre, University of Southern Mississippi
- b. Helu Jiang, Washington University in St. Louis
- c. Yizou Chen, Western Michigan University

Session # 20

Natchez

Economic Development 2

Chair: Joonhyung Lee, University of Memphis

A. *Innovation's impact on population health: An archival analysis*

Nicholas Baldetti, Creighton University

B. *Bilateral Aid Heterogeneity and Production Inefficiency*

Suleman Abdiah and Sajal Lahiri, Southern Illinois University Carbondale

C. *Local Authority and Firm Performance: Evidence from the Dissolution of District Councils in Vietnam*

Duong Trung Le, Binghamton University - State University of New York

D. *The impact of original knowledge on patent quality in the pharmaceutical and medical technology sectors*

Kristie Briggs, Creighton University

Discussants:

- a. Betsy Rankin, Centenary College of Louisiana
- b. Micah DeVecchio, Saginaw Valley State University
- c. Sambojyoti Biswas, Michigan State University
- d. Seyedsoroosh Azizi, Northern Illinois University

Session # 21

Memphis

Urban and Regional Economics

Chair: Ken Brown, Missouri State University

A. *Are Urban-Rural Welfare Differences Growing in India?*

Mehtabul Azam, Oklahoma State University

B. *Synchronization and divergence of China's house price dynamics: An endogenously clustering dynamic factor approach*

Yifeng Jia, University of Missouri

C. *Regional industrial diversity, industry exposure, and unemployment*

Andrew Sorsen, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Discussants:

- a. Abubakr Ayesh, Michigan State University
- b. Sayan de Sarkar, State University of New York at Buffalo
- c. Sifat Adiya, University of Kansas

Coffee Break

Foyer

Coffee Break Sponsored by



CENGAGE
Learning™

Session # 22

Knoxville

Quantitative Methods 1

Chair: Ebehi Iyoha, Vanderbilt University

A. *Nonparametric Analysis of the Growth Process of CO² Emissions: Testing the Law of Proportionate Effect*

Behzod Ahundjanov, Texas Tech University, Sherzod Akhundjanov, Utah State University

B. *Factors that Influence Public Healthcare Perceptions: A Simulation Case Study*

Joshua Lewer, Colin Corbett, Ed Sattler, Bradley University, William Bond, Jump Simulation Center

C. *Causal Effects of Mental Health Conditions on Food Insecurity and the Role of SNAP*

Helen H. Jensen, Kimberly A. Greder, Brent E. Kreider, Oleksandr Zhlyevskyy, Iowa State University, John V. Pepper, University of Virginia

Discussants:

- a. Lonnie Hofmann, University of Missouri
- b. Tareena Musaddiq, Georgia State University
- c. Xin Liu, University of Missouri

Session # 23

Oxford

Health, Education, and Welfare 1

Chair: Subha Basu Roy, Missouri State University

A. *Breakfast of Champions: Universal Free Breakfast and student conflict in Texas schools*

Brent Norwood, University of Oklahoma

B. *Nutrition Knowledge VS Maternal Education as Inputs to Child Nutrition*

Abubakr Ayesha, Michigan State University, Muhammad Fatiq Nadeem, IDEAS Pakistan, Ata Ullah, Adam Smith International

C. *Students' class enrollment strategies: The case of Ws*

Attila Cseh and Ed Walker, Valdosta State University

Discussants:

- a. Abigail Loxton, Indiana University
- b. Danyang Zhao, Oklahoma State University
- c. Subhasree Basu Roy, Missouri State University

Session # 24

Chattanooga

Microeconomics 2 (IP)

Chair: Fred Abraham, University of Northern Iowa

A. *How to persuade the other 26 states to legalize commercial casino? A case study of Las Vegas, NV*

Wei Bao, University of Mississippi, Lili Yao, Mississippi State University

B. *Measuring Loss Aversion Using Galvanic Skin Response*

Jessica Den Dekker, Rebecca Blaise, David Johnson, and Chris Azevedo, University of Central Missouri

C. *Contests and Affirmative Action in India and China*

Bruno D. Badia, Rhodes College, Abhinav Anand, Indian Institute of Management Banagalore

D. *Effects of Political Corruption News Coverage on Public's Perception: Evidence from the Odebrecht scandal in Peru*

Irina Valenzuela, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

Session # 25

Jackson

Health, Education, and Welfare 2 (IP)

Chair: Don Bumpass, Sam Houston State University

A. *Giving and Taking Frames with Earned Endowments in Ultimatum Bargaining*

J. Jobu Babin, Tara Feld, Western Illinois University

B. *Causal Effect of Women's Age at Marriage on Health, Fertility and Spousal Quality*

Sambojyoti Biswas, Michigan State University

Session # 26

St. Louis

Arranged by Jamein Cunningham, University of Memphis

Topics in Applied Economics

Chair: Jamein P. Cunningham, University of Memphis

A. *Causality and Price Discovery between CDS Premia and Bond Spreads*

Yi Lu, University of Memphis

B. *Affordable Care Act and Disparities in Health Services Utilization Among Ethnic Minorities of Breast Cancer Survivors: Evidence from Longitudinal MEPS 2008-2015*

Ahmad Reshad Osmani, University of Memphis

C. *Changes in Family Structure and Welfare Participation Since the 1960s: The Role of Legal Services*

Jamein P. Cunningham, University of Memphis

D. *Job Security, Unemployment and Active Labor Market Programs*

Carl Magnus Bjuggren, Research Institute of Industrial Economics

Discussants:

- a. Carl Magnus Bjuggren, Research Institute of Industrial Economics
- b. Jamein P. Cunningham, University of Memphis
- c. Yi Lu, University of Memphis
- d. Ahmad Reshad Osmani, University of Memphis

Session # 27

Natchez

Economics of Education 1 (IP)

Chair: Kristie Briggs, Creighton University

A. *The OPT STEM Extension and its impact on enrollment and completion rates of international students and scholars*

Town Oh, Purdue University

B. *The School Choice Fiscal Notes Calculator and Teacher Salary Effects*

John Merrifield, University of Texas – San Antonio,
Vance Ginn, Texas Public Policy Foundation

C. *Where does it begin? An analysis of exclusionary discipline in U.S. preschools*

Patrice Anderson, Christine Moser, Western Michigan
University

Session # 28

Memphis

Undergraduate 1

Chair: Gary McDonnell, Northern Michigan University

A. *Family Law and Household Outcomes: The Impacts of Intra-Household Bargaining Dynamics in Mozambique*

Nguyen Luong, Truman State University

B. *Carbon Pricing in the Private Sector: How the Science and Politics of Carbon Pricing and Climate Change Influence Business Strategy*

Hayden Hubbard, Mcklayne Marshall, Toph Cottle, Chris Fawson, Utah State University

Discussants:

- a. Shannon Graham, Clemson University
- b. Gary McDonnell, Northern Michigan University

Session # 29

Nashville

MVEA Luncheon

Luncheon Speaker:

**Dr. David Kemme
Professor and William N. Morris Chair of Excellence
Department of Economics
University of Memphis**

**“Tax Havens, Tax Evasion and Determinants
of Foreign Portfolio Investment Flows”**

**Luncheon is partially sponsored by
The Shirley and Phillip Miller Family**

**A luncheon ticket must be purchased
in advance in order to attend.**

Session # 30

Knoxville

Economic Education

Chair: E'licia L. Chaverest, Small Farms Research Center,
Alabama A&M University

A. *A Cultural Comparison of the Impact of Mindfulness on Student Performance*

Albert Sumell, Youngstown State University, Eric
Chiang, Florida Atlantic University

B. *The effects of instructor priming statements on students' perceived difficulty of quantitative material*

Kevin S. S. Henning, Natalie D. Hegwood, Sam Houston
State University

C. *Economics Online: Making the Dismal Science Bright*

John W. Tiner, Nebraska Economics and Business
Association

Discussants:

- a. Brandon C. Koford, Weber State University
- b. Justin Jarvis, Truman State University
- c. Richard W. Taylor, Arkansas State University

Session # 31

Oxford

Microeconomics 3

Chair: C. Gregory Bereskin, St. Ambrose University

A. *The Role of Noncognitive Ability on Health Status and Wealth Accumulation*

Alan Adelman, Hwan-sik Choi, Binghamton University

B. *Early-Life Exposure to Malaria and Economic Development*

Henrique Veras de Paiva Fonseca, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

C. *Joint Liability Contracts under Multiple Borrowing*

Ahadul Kabir Muyeed, University of Kansas

D. *The Effect of Ethnic and Religious Diversity on Charitable Giving by Tax Itemizers*

Jannett Highfill, Kevin O'Brien, Bradley University

Discussants:

- a. Bruno D. Badia, Rhodes College
- b. C. Gregory Bereskin, St. Ambrose University
- c. Jonah Yuen, Hamilton College
- d. Kristine Koutout, Vanderbilt University

Session # 32

Chattanooga

Macroeconomics 2

Chair: Naafey Sardar, Kansas State University

A. *Long Run Asymmetries in the Oil and Gasoline Supply Chain*

Christopher Douglas, University of Michigan-Flint, Mark Tuttle and Don Bumpass, Sam Houston State University, Vance Ginn, Texas Public Policy Foundation

B. *Does the Effectiveness of Monetary Policy Depend on the Choice of Policy Instrument? Empirical Evidence from South Korea*

Dawit Senbet, University of Northern Colorado, Martha Cruz Zuniga, The Catholic University of America

C. *Impact of FDI on Domestic Entrepreneurship: A Comparison between South Asia and East Asia*

Sahan Shrestha, Eastern Illinois University

D. *Unemployment and Trade Balance in the United States: A Nonlinear Analysis*

Haydory Akbar Ahmed, Missouri State University, Tareque Nasser, Kansas State University

Discussants:

- a. Anurud Rankoth, Texas Tech University
- b. Mark Melichar, Tennessee Tech University
- c. Siavash Rashidi Sabet, Northern Illinois University
- d. Kiana Yektansani, Washington State University

Session # 33

Jackson

Arranged by Kathryn Birkeland, University of South Dakota

Economics of Education 2

Chair: Kathryn Birkeland, University of South Dakota

A. *Estimation of Student Effects Using a Cumulative Link Model*

Chris Azevedo, John Crooker, University of Central Missouri

B. *The Relevance of Student Expectations Across Hybrid and Online Learning Environments*

Jobu Babin, Tara Feld, Jessica Harriger-Lin, Western Illinois University, Kayla Mitchell, Oakton Community College

C. *May the Odds Be Ever In Your Favor: An Allocation Mechanism for Student Aid*

Kathryn Birkeland, Mandie Weinandt, University of South Dakota

Discussants:

- a. Mandie Weinandt, University of South Dakota
- b. Chris Azevedo, University of Central Missouri
- c. Jessica Lin, Western Illinois University

Session # 34

St. Louis

Health Economics

Chair: Ayodele Tope Olofinsao, North Carolina A&T State University

A. *What Drives the Formation of Physician Patient Sharing Networks in Medicare?*

Sebastian Linde, Grand Valley State University

B. *Do Hispanic Immigrants Spend Less on Medical Care? Implications of the Hispanic Health Paradox*

Subhasree Basu Roy and Reed Olsen, Missouri State University, Hui-Kuan Tseng, University of North Carolina at Charlotte

C. *Spillover Effects of the Health Expenditure on the Health Outcome: A Bayesian Spatial Analysis*

Shafiun N. Shimul, Dhaka University, Bangladesh

D. *The Role of Hospitals in Economic and Community Development*

Kelly Edmiston, Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, Tami Gurley-Calvez, University of Kansas Medical Center

Discussants:

- a. Attila Cseh, Valdosta State University
- b. Cody T. Orr, Michigan State University
- c. Patrice Anderson, Western Michigan University
- d. Paul S. Niekamp, Vanderbilt University

Session # 35

Natchez

Industrial Organization

Chair: Atika Benaddi, Kansas State University

A. *The effect of franchising on the performance of hotel segments*

Shih-Chuan Lin, Matthew Sveum, Michael Sykuta,
University of Missouri-Columbia

B. *Airline Schedule Padding and Consumer Choice Behavior*

Jules Yimga, Javad Gorjidoz, Embry-Riddle
Aeronautical University

C. *Slot Divestitures and Price Competition at Reagan National and LaGuardia*

Huubinh B. Le, University of South Alabama

Discussants:

- a. Christopher Garmon, University of Missouri Kansas City
- b. Atika Benaddi, Kansas State University
- c. Rafi Hossain, Northern Illinois University

Session # 36

Memphis

International Economics 3 (IP)

Chair: Eric J. Sommermeyer, Wartburg College

A. *Some Socio-Economic Effects of Galamsey on Rural Ghana: The Case of Obuasi*

Josphine Amponsem, Michigan Technological University

B. *The Overlooked China Shock: The Negative Impact of Trading with China on Labor Productivity in the U.S.*

Hsin-Ling Hsieh, Northern Michigan University, William Yu, UCLA, Echu Liu, Saint Louis University

C. *Immigration and Institution: Take the IRCA1986 United States as a Natural Experiment*

Lili Yao, Mississippi State University

Coffee Break

Foyer

Coffee Break sponsored by

University of South Dakota



UNIVERSITY OF
SOUTH DAKOTA
BEACOM SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Session # 37

Knoxville

Microeconomics 4

Chair: Ruoning Han, University of Kansas

A. *Voting on a State Expansion in Gambling: Do State and Local Representatives Have Similar Motives?*

David Yaskewich, Southeast Missouri State University

B. *The Economic Effects of Facebook*

Trent McNamara, Roberto Mosquera, Moffii Odunowo,
Xiongfei Guo, Texas A & M University

C. *The Efficiency of Gambling Markets for Online Games*

M. D. Berg, Kevin Sweeney, M.H. Tuttle, Sam Houston
State University

Discussants:

- a. Ahadul Kabir Muyeed, University of Kansas
- b. Alan Adelman, Binghamton University
- c. Kevin O'Brien, Bradley University

Session # 38

Oxford

Economics of Education 3

Chair: Sylvia Mwamba, Black Hills State University

A. *The Role of Credible Threats and School Competition within School Accountability System: Evidence from NCLB Waivers*

Hwanoong Lee, Michigan State University

B. *School Violence and Academic Performance in the United States*

Md. Abdur Rahman Forhad, Northern Illinois University

C. *Long-term and Intergenerational Effects of Education: Evidence from School Construction in Indonesia*

Richard Akresh, Daniel Halim, Marieke Kleemans,
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

D. *Heat and Learning in Primary and Secondary Education*

Travis Roach, University of Central Oklahoma, Jacob
Whitney, Oklahoma Council on Economic Education

Discussants:

- a. Jacob Whitney, Oklahoma Council on Economic Education
- b. Nicholas Baldetti, Creighton University
- c. Oleksandr Zhylyevskyy, Iowa State University
- d. Nicholas Wright, George State University

Session # 39

Chattanooga

Public Economics 3 (IP)

Chair: Michael M. Tansey, Rockhurst University

A. *How Rational Irrationality Shaped the 2016 Presidential Election*

Seth Cartre, Indiana University

B. *The effect of Capital Gain Taxation on Executive Compensation: Evidence from the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997*

Sheikh Haque, Northern Illinois University

C. *Did Personal Income Tax cuts lead to more deaths on the road? Analysis using evidence following onset of 2007-2009 Great Recession*

Sifat Adiya, University of Kansas

D. *Comparative Analysis of the Effectiveness of Congestion Pricing Policies in Major Metropolitan Areas in U.S.*

Sayan de Sarkar, State University of New York at Buffalo

Session # 40

Jackson

Health and Welfare 2 (IP)

Chair: Mohamed El-Hodiri, University of Kansas

A. *Lineage discrepancy in grandparental impact: does matrilineal bias attenuate gender gaps?*

Danyang Zhao, Oklahoma State University

B. *The Impact of Health Insurance on Birthweight and Health Facility Utilization among Women in Ghana*

Samuel Asare, Georgia State University

C. *Entropy Based Measure of Income-Related Multidimensional Health Inequality: Evidence from India*

Dinkar Kuchibhotla, University of Akron

D. *Parental Attitudes and Labor Force Activity of Children: A Study of Cultural Transmission and Economic Outcomes in Southern California (1971-2000)*

Edward Sayre, University of Southern Mississippi, S. Elif Filiz, University of Southern Mississippi

Session # 41

St. Louis

Arranged by Dennis Petruska, Youngstown State University

Macroeconomics 3

Chair: David Hakes, University of Northern Iowa

A. *Minority Boards and a Cultural Affinity in Lending by Credit Unions*

Cullen Goenner, University of North Dakota

B. *Fiscal Rules and Growth: Texas Experiment*

Vance Ginn, Center for Economic Prosperity

C. *New Monetary Services (Divisia) Indexes for the post-war U.S.*

Richard G. Anderson, Lindenwood University &
University of Missouri-Kansas City

D. *A Simple Linear Presentation of the relationship of the Demand for Money and the Velocity of Money*

Dennis Petruska, Youngstown State University

Discussants:

- a. Margie Tieslau, University of North Texas
- b. Dennis Petruska, Youngstown State University
- c. Cullen Goenner, University of North Dakota
- d. David Hakes, University of Northern Iowa

Session # 42

Natchez

Undergraduate 2

Chair: Kelly D. Edmiston, Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City

A. *Does paid family leave shrink the gender pay gap?*

Julie Norman, Hal Snarr, Westminster College

B. *The Effectiveness of the Commercial Driver Medical Examination in Screening for Kidney Disease*

Stephen V. Burks, Dongnan Shi, Jesse Eklund,
University of Minnesota, Morris

C. *Fertility, Income, and Tax Incentives in the United States*

Mackenzie Morris, Mahua Barari Mitra, Missouri State
University

D. *Do increases in the minimum wage reduce firm growth?*

Hal Snarr, Julie Norman, Westminster College

Discussants:

- a. Kelly Edmiston, Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City
- b. Tristan L. Sweatt, University of Memphis
- c. Michael McCully, High Point University
- d. Gauri Guha, Arkansas State University

Session # 43

Memphis

Arranged by Kathryn Birkeland, University of South Dakota and Robert Stanley Herren, North Dakota State University

Labor Economics 1

Chair: Mark Frank, Sam Houston State University

A. *The Influence of the Masculine Norms Risk-Taking and Winning on the Earnings Expectations of College Seniors*

John Walker, Travis Tubre, Univ of Wisconsin-River Falls

B. *Participation in Learning Communities and the Retention of College Freshmen*

Oscar Flores, Minnesota State University Moorhead,
Claudia Vela Sanchez, Autonoma de Nuevo Leon

C. *Gender Pay Inequality and Biological Imperative*

Mohammad Ashraf, University of North Carolina-
Pembroke

D. *Are there returns to girls' education even at very low levels? Evidence from Pakistan*

Tareena Musaddiq, Georgia State University

Discussants:

- a. Mohammad Ashraf, Univ of North Carolina-Pembroke
- b. Mark Frank, Sam Houston State University
- c. Oscar Flores, Minnesota State University Moorhead
- d. IP Paper

Session # 44

TBA

The Journal of Economic Insight

Editorial Board Only

Scott Fausti, Co-Chair

David Hakes, Co-Chair

Christopher Douglas, Co-Editor

Joshua Lewer, Co-Editor

Robert Stanley Herren, Book Review Editor

Cullen Goenner, Business Editor

Session # 45

Natchez

MVEA General Business Meeting

Phil Miller, Minnesota State University – Mankato

**RECOGNITION OF
2017 MVEA CONFERENCE
GRADUATE STUDENT PAPER AWARD WINNERS**

Best Graduate Student Paper

Vladimir Smirnyagin
University of Minnesota

Distinguished Student Paper

Kathrin Ellieroth
Indiana University

Notable Student Paper

Izumi Ryuichiro
Rutgers University

Session # 46

MVEA President's Reception

Location to be announced
at Business Meeting

Hosted by Phil Miller, Minnesota State University – Mankato

Funded by

National Association of Forensic Economics



**President's Reception is open to all conference
registrants and their guests**

Saturday, November 3, 2018

7:15 - 8:15 a.m.

Session # 47

Crossroads Tavern & Grille

Past MVEA Presidents' Breakfast

All MVEA Past Presidents are invited to attend.

Hosted by Phil Miller, Minnesota State University - Mankato

Sponsored by



Saturday, November 3, 2018

8:15 - 10:00 a.m.

Session # 48

Boardroom

MVEA Executive Committee Meeting

Christopher Douglas, University of Michigan – Flint

Session # 49

Knoxville

Quantitative Methods 2

Chair: Jules Yimga, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

A. *Smoothed GMM for quantile models*

Xin Liu, University of Missouri

B. *High-order frequentist coverage probability of Bayesian bootstrap credible intervals for quantiles*

Lonnie Hofmann, University of Missouri

Discussants:

- a. Behzod Ahundjanov, Texas Tech University
- b. Henrique Veras de Paiva Fonseca, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Session # 50

Oxford

International Economics 4

Chair: Mian Farrukh Raza, Kansas State University

A. *Does Gender and Foreign Ownership Explain Firms' Decisions to Export? Firm-Level Evidence from Zambia.*

Sylvia Mwamba, Black Hills State University, Manenga Ndulo, The University of Zambia

B. *Outsourcing and Labor Market Structure*

Shankar Ghimire, Western Illinois University, Rebecca Tomasik

C. *Learning-by-Exporting Spillovers through the Network of US Firms*

Ebehi Iyoha, Vanderbilt University

Discussants:

- a. Andrew Parkes, Northern Arizona University
- b. Eric J. Sommermeyer, Wartburg College
- c. Lili Yao, Mississippi State University

Session # 51

Chattanooga

Financial Economics 3

Chair: Daniel Mengistu, Western Michigan University

A. *Cash back credit cards. Win-win situation for both consumers and banks?*

Fatima Hasan, University of Kansas

B. *Efficiency of Optimal Capital Level Under Different Capital Requirements in an Asymmetric Information Framework*

Ruoning Han, University of Kansas

C. *Risk Attitudes and Financial Market: Evidence from a Natural Experiment*

Huiqiang Wang, Arkansas State University

Discussants:

- a. Hoipan Wong, Washington University in St. Louis
- b. Mohammad Reza Mahmoudi, Northern Illinois University
- c. Michael McCully, High Point University

Session # 52

Jackson

Macroeconomics 4 (IP)

Chair: Dawit Senbet, University of Northern Colorado

A. *Evidences Behind the Diminishing Routine Occupations*

Anurud Rankoth, Niraj Koirala, Texas Tech University

B. *Effective Federal Funds Rate Pass Through for Various Interest Rates*

Natalie D. Hegwood, Mark H. Tuttle, M. Douglas Berg,
Sam Houston State University

C. *Threshold Effects of Oil Shocks*

Naafey Sardar, Lance Bachmeier, Kansas State
University

D. *Firms' Credit Requirement and Monetary Policies*

Niraj Koirala, Anurud Rankoth, Texas Tech University

Session # 53

St. Louis

Labor and Demography 3

Chair: Huubinh B. Le, University of South Alabama

A. *Labor Reallocation and the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative*

R. Kaj Gittings, Texas Tech University, Travis Roach,
University of Central Oklahoma

B. *Refugee Crisis and its Impact on Crime Trends in Germany*

Taisiia Stanishevskva, Nimantha Manamperi, St. Cloud
State University

Discussants:

- a. William Jergins, Texas Tech University
- b. S. Elif Filiz, University of Southern Mississippi

Session # 54

Natchez

Economic Development 3

Chair: Hal Snarr, Westminster College

A. *Do remittances improve financial development and growth in developing countries?*

Seyedsoroosh Azizi, Northern Illinois University

B. *Female Labor Force Participation in China and India*

Mehtabul Azam, Luyi Han, Oklahoma State University

C. *Is NY's Supply-Side Experiment Working?*

Hal Snarr, Emily Rains, Westminster College, Dan Friesner, North Dakota State University

Discussants:

- a. Emily Rains, Westminster College
- b. Andy Chou, Michigan State University
- c. Yifeng Jia, University of Missouri

Session # 55

Memphis

Agricultural and Environmental Economics 1

Chair: Sungida Rashid, Southern Illinois University-Carbondale

A. *Development Strategy of Food-Deficit Low Income Countries: Implications from the Lack of Productivity Gains from Agricultural Trade*

Wanki Moon, Southern Illinois University Carbondale

B. *A General Equilibrium Analysis Of Electricity Lifeline Losses Following A Debilitating Earthquake In Memphis, Tennessee*

Gauri-Shankar Guha, Arkansas State University

C. *Estimating the Economic Benefits of Automatic Section Control in the North Dakota Prairie Pothole Region*

Baishali Rahman and David C. Roberts, North Dakota State University

D. *Rentierism and Nigeria's Agricultural Sector*

Paul Egbo and Wanki Moon, Southern Illinois University-Carbondale

Discussants:

- a. Abdulrahman Albahouth, Texas Tech University
- b. Duncan M. Chembezi, Alabama A & M University
- c. Josphine Amponsem, Michigan Technological University
- d. Duong Trung Le, Binghamton University - SUNY

Coffee Break

Foyer

Coffee Break sponsored by



**WESTERN
ILLINOIS
UNIVERSITY**

Session # 56

Knoxville

International Economics 5

Chair: Shankar Ghimire, Western Illinois University

A. *Exchange Rate Variability And Its Impact On Trade: An Analysis Of Sub-Saharan African Countries*

George Agyeah, Western Illinois University

B. *Dumping on Free Trade, Optimal Antidumping Duties, and Price Undertakings: Welfare Implications in a Two-Market Equilibrium*

Mian Farrukh Raza and Yang-Ming Chang, Kansas State University

Discussants:

- a. Hsin-Ling Hsieh, Northern Michigan University
- b. Mandie R. Weinandt, University of South Dakota

Session # 57

Oxford

Macroeconomics 5 (IP)

Chair: Mark Melichar, Tennessee Tech University

A. *Debates on the Purchasing Power Parity Puzzle: evidence on the six most-traded currencies*

Siavash Rashidi Sabet, Northern Illinois University

B. *The study of Inflation in Algeria: An ARDL testing approach*

Ahmed Smahi, University of Tlemcen, Algeria

C. *Japan's Unconventional Policies and Macroeconomic Impacts on Emerging Markets*

Daniel Mengistu, Western Michigan University

Session # 58

Chattanooga

International Economics 6 (IP)

Chair: Echu Liu, Saint Louis University

A. *Tax competition for cross-border mergers and acquisitions: the role of market size*

Xiaoxuan Ji, Sajal Lahiri, Southern Illinois University-Carbondale

B. *External Debt Sustainability: An Empirical Analysis*

Nachiket Jayeshkumar Thakkar, Southern Illinois University-Carbondale

C. *The Impact of Policy Uncertainty on Japanese FDI into North America*

Chikezie Okoli, Western Michigan University

Session # 59

Jackson

Economic Deveopment 4 (IP)

Chair: Micah DelVecchio, Saginaw Valley State University

A. *An Empirical Refinement of the relationship between Tariffs and Economic Growth*

Fadi Fawaz, Anis Mnif, Elizabeth McDonell, and Hilina Feleke, Tennessee State University

B. *Productivity Effect of Anticipating the TPP on Vietnamese Manufacturing Firms*

Trang Hoang, Vanderbilt University

C. *The Economic Impact of Community Foundations*

Betsy Rankin, Harold R. Christensen, Centenary College of Louisiana

D. *Credit rationing, export decision and financial constraints: Firm-level study of Bangladesh*

Sungida Rashid and Sajal Lahiri, Southern Illinois University-Carbondale

Session # 60

St. Louis

Agricultural and Environmental Economics 2 (IP)

Chair: Scott Fausti, California State University-Monterey Bay

A. *Current Use of Digital Marketing and Social Media Communication by Agribusiness Firms: An Environmental Scan and Communications Audit*

Duncan M. Chembezi, E'licia L. Chaverest, Alabama
A&M University

B. *Risk Management Trade-offs Related to Feedlot Size: Evidence from South Dakota*

Scott Fausti, California State University Monterey Bay,
Matt Diersen, South Dakota State University

C. *How Oil Supply Shock Impact Oil Producing Countries and Global Emission Level*

Abdulrahman Albahouth, Texas Tech University

Session # 61

Natchez

Labor Economics and Environmental Economics

Chair: Sharmistha Self, University of Northern Iowa

A. *Job Creation and FDI: The Role of Economic, Social and Political Climate in Developing Countries*

Sharmistha Self and Mary Connerley, University of Northern Iowa

B. *The Role of the Ethanol Mandate in Gasoline Price Asymmetries*

Christopher Douglas, University of Michigan-Flint, Mark Tuttle and Don Bumpass, Sam Houston State University, Vance Ginn, Texas Public Policy Foundation

C. *(Un)Conditional Cash Transfer Programs and Labor Supply: Evidence from Ecuador*

David Gutiérrez-Luna, University of Kansas

D. *The Impacts Of Labor Force Participation Rate On CO² Emissions*

Kiana Yektansani, Washington State University

Discussants:

- a. David C. Roberts, North Dakota State University
- b. Paul Egbo, Southern Illinois University-Carbondale
- c. Sharmistha Self, University of Northern Iowa
- d. Wanki Moon, Southern Illinois University-Carbondale

Session # 62

Memphis

Arranged by Patricia Papachristou, Christian Brothers University

Undergraduate Panel on Sustainable Development

Chair: Patricia Papachristou, Christian Brothers University

A. *Africa: Nigeria and South Africa*

Marie Nkomba Kafishi, Christian Brothers University

B. *Asia: China and South Korea*

Austin Brewer, Christian Brothers University

C. *Asia: India and Japan*

Surabhi Kinger, Christian Brothers University

D. *Latin America: Argentina and Brazil*

Bernardo Ferreira, Christian Brothers University

E. *Latin America: Chile and Mexico*

Fernando Medina, Christian Brothers University

F. *Europe: Germany and Greece*

Daniel Gully, Christian Brothers University

G. *Europe: Poland and Russia*

Xavier Lao, Christian Brothers University

INDEX

PARTICIPANT	SESSION
Abdiah, Suleman	5, 20
Abebe, Teshome	6, 19
Abraham, Fred	24, 48
Adelman, Alan	31, 37
Adiya, Sifat	21, 39
Agyeah, George	56
Ahmed, Haydory Akbar	17, 32
Ahundjanov, Behzod	22, 49
Akhundjanov, Sherzod	22
Akresh, Richard	38
Albahouth, Abdulrahman	55, 60
Amponsem, Josphine	36, 55
Anand, Abhinav	24
Anderson, Patrice	27, 34
Anderson, Richard	14, 41
Arano, Kathleen	48
Asare, Samuel	13, 40
Ashraf, Mohammad	43
Ayesh, Abubakr	21, 23
Azam, Mehtabul	21, 54
Azevedo, Chris	24, 33
Azizi, Seyedsoroosh	20, 54
Babin, J. Jobu	4, 13, 25, 33
Bachmeier, Lance	52
Badia, Bruno	24, 31
Baldetti, Nicholas	20, 38
Ball, Jennifer	48
Bao, Wei	16, 24
Basu Roy, Subhasree	23, 34
Benaddi, Atika	1, 35
Bereskin, C. Gregory	16, 31

INDEX

PARTICIPANT	SESSION
Berg, M. Douglas	37, 52
Birkeland, Kathryn	33, 43, 48
Biswas, Sambojyoti	20, 25
Bjuggren, Carl Magnus	26
Blaise, Rebecca	24
Bond, William	22
Brazelton, Robert	10
Brewer, Austin	62
Briggs, Kristie	20, 27, 48
Brown, Ken	13, 21, 48
Bumpass, Don	25, 32, 61
Burks, Stephen	42
Cartre, Seth	3, 39
Chaverest, E'licia	30, 60
Chembezi, Duncan	55, 60
Chen, Yizhou	19
Chiang, Eric	30
Choi, Hwan-sik	31
Chou, Andy	12, 54
Christensen, Harold	5, 59
Connerley, Mary	61
Corbett, Colin	22
Cottle, Toph	28
Crawford, Jerry	15
Crooker, John	33
Cseh, Attila	23, 34
Cunningham, Jamein	26
da Silva, Peri	1
Daun, Tyler	1, 8
Davis, Michael	6
de Paiva Fonseca, Henrique Veras	31, 49

INDEX

PARTICIPANT	SESSION
de Sarkar, Sayan	21, 39
Dekker, Jessica Den	24
DelVecchio, Micah	5, 20, 59
Deng, Yunni	2, 12
Deters, Rachel	6
Diersen, Matt	60
Douglas, Christopher	32, 44, 48, 61
Dustan, Andrew	16
Edmiston, Kelly	3, 11, 34, 42
Egbo, Paul	55, 61
Eklund, Jesse	42
El-Hodiri, Mohamed	40
Ellieroth, Kathrin	45
Fausti, Scott	44, 48, 60
Fawaz, Fadi	1, 8, 59
Fawson, Chris	28
Feld, Tara	25, 33
Feleke, Hilina	5, 59
Ferreira, Bernardo	62
Filiz, S. Elif	40, 53
Flores, Oscar	43
Frank, Mark	43
Friesner, Dan	54
Galiani, Sebastian	1
Garivalentis, Alex	9, 15
Garmon, Christopher	13, 35
Gashaw, Tamrat	1, 8
Gautam, Sanghmitra	2, 13
Ghimire, Shankar	50, 56
Ginn, Vance	7, 27, 32, 41, 61
Gittings, R. Kaj	12, 53

INDEX

PARTICIPANT	SESSION
Goenner, Cullen	41, 44
Gorjidoz, Javad	35
Graham, Shannon	13, 28
Grant, Alan	48
Greder, Kimberly	22
Guha, Gauri	42, 55
Gully, Daniel	62
Guo, Xiongfei	37
Gurley-Calvez, Tami	34
Gutiérrez-Luna, David	61
Hakes, David	41, 44, 48
Halim, Daniel	13, 38
Han, Luyi	54
Han, Ruoning	37, 51
Haque, Sheikh	18, 39
Harriger-Lin, Jessica	13, 33
Hasan, Fatima	51
Hegwood, Natalie	17, 30, 52
Henning, Kevin	15, 30
Herren, Robert Stanley	10, 43, 44
Heyrani, Mehrdad	11
Highfill, Jannett	31
Hiraide, Norikatsu	1, 8
Hoang, Trang	1, 59
Hofmann, Lonnie	22, 49
Hossain, Rafi	18, 35
Hsieh, Hsin-Ling	3, 36, 56
Hubbard, Hayden	28
Hudson, Darren	9
Huh, Chan-Guk	17
Hussey, Andrew	4

INDEX

PARTICIPANT	SESSION
Irwin, James	19
Iyoha, Ebehi	22, 50
Jacobsen, Lowell	10
Jarvis, Justin	15, 30
Jensen, Helen	22
Jergins, William	12, 53
Ji, Xiaoxuan	58
Jia, Yifeng	21, 54
Jiang, Helu	12, 19
Johnson, David	24
Kafishi, Marie Nkomba	62
Kemme, David	29
Kejriwal, Mohitosh	11
Kinger, Surabhi	62
Kleemans, Marieke	38
Koford, Brandon	15, 30
Koirala, Niraj	52
Koutout, Kristine	16, 31
Kreider, Brent	22
Kuchibhotla, Dinkar	3, 40
Lahiri, Sajal	5, 20, 58, 59
Lao, Xavier	62
Le, Duong Trung	20, 55
Le, Huubinh	35, 53
Lee, Hwanoong	18, 38
Lee, Joonhyung	20
Lewer, Joshua	22, 44
Li, Ihung	3
Lin, Shih-Chuan	9, 35
Linde, Sebastian	3, 34
Liu, Echu	3, 36, 58

INDEX

PARTICIPANT	SESSION
Liu, Xin	22, 49
Losak, Jeremy	6
Loxton, Abigail	3, 12, 23
Lu, Yi	26
Luong, Nguyen	28
Mahmoudi, Mohammad Reza	11, 51
Manamperi, Nimantha	53
Mangrum, Daniel	4
Marshall, Mcklayne	28
McCully, Michael	42, 51
McDevitt, Catherine	12, 19
McDonell, Elizabeth	8, 59
McDonnell, Gary	28
McNamara, Trent	16, 37
Medina, Fernando	62
Melichar, Mark	17, 32, 57
Melkumian, Alice	13
Mengistu, Daniel	51, 57
Merrifield, John	7, 27
Miller, Phil	6, 14, 29, 45, 46, 47, 48
Mitchell, Kayla	33
Mitra, Mahua Barari	42
Mnif, Anis	59
Moon, Wanki	55, 61
Morris, Mackenzie	42
Moser, Christine	27
Mosquera, Roberto	37
Musaddiq, Tareena	22, 43
Muyeed, Ahadul Kabir	31, 37
Mwamba, Sylvia	38, 50
Nadeem, Muhammad Fatiq	23

INDEX

PARTICIPANT	SESSION
Nasser, Tareque	32
Ndulo, Manenga	50
Nguyen, Quang	2
Niekamp, Paul	4, 13, 34
Norman, Julie	42
Norwood, Brent	2, 23
O'Brien, Kevin	31, 37
Odunowo, Moffii	37
Oh, Town	2, 27
Okoli, Chikezie	58
Olofinsao, Ayodele Tope	18, 34
Olsen, Reed	34
Orr, Cody	3, 34
Osmani, Ahmad Reshad	26
Pakko, Michael	14
Papachristou, Patricia	62
Parkes, Andrew	1, 8, 50
Parkhurst, Gregory	15
Pepper, John	22
Petruska, Dennis	41
Quinn, Kevin	10
Rahman Forhad, Md. Abdur	38
Rahman, Baishali	55
Rains, Emily	54
Rankin, Betsy	13, 20, 48, 59
Rankoth, Anurud	32, 52
Rashid, Sungida	55, 59
Raza, Mian Farrukh	50, 56
Rhoads, Thomas	6
Roach, Travis	38, 53
Roberts, David	55, 61

INDEX

PARTICIPANT	SESSION
Ryuichiro, Izumi	45
Sabet, Siavash Rashidi	11, 32, 57
Sanchez, Claudia Vela	43
Sardar, Naafey	32, 52
Sattler, Ed	22
Sayre, Edward	19, 40
Self, Sharmistha	48, 61
Senbet, Dawit	17, 32, 52
Seol, Youn	17
Shen, Leilei	1
Shi, Dongnan	42
Shimul, Shafiun	2, 18, 34
Shrestha, Sahan	5, 32
Siami-Namini, Sima	9, 17
Smahi, Ahmed	9, 57
Smirnyagin, Vladimir	45
Smith, Nathan	14
Snarr, Hal	42, 54
Sommermeyer, Eric	8, 36, 50
Sorsen, Andrew	21
Stanishevskia, Taisiia	53
Sumell, Albert	15, 30
Sveum, Matthew	35
Sweatt, Tristan	42
Sweeney, Kevin	37
Sykuta, Michael	35
Tansey, Michael	2, 18, 39
Taylor, Richard	15, 30
Thakkar, Nachiket Jayeshkumar	58
Tieslau, Margie	41
Tiner, John	15, 30

INDEX

PARTICIPANT	SESSION
Tomasik, Rebecca	50
Torrens, Gustavo	1
Tseng, Hui-Kuan	34
Tubre, Travis	43
Tuttle, Mark	9, 32, 37, 52, 61
Ullah, Ata	23
Valenzuela, Irina	16, 24
van der Linden, Martin	16
Waldron, Randall	8
Walker, Ed	23
Walker, John	10, 43
Wallace, Jeff	14
Watanabe, Nick	6
Wang, Huiqiang	51
Weinandt, Mandie	8, 33, 56
Whitney, Jacob	38
Wong, Hoipan	17, 51
Wooders, Myrna	16
Wright, Nicholas	19, 38
Yao, Lili	24, 36, 50
Yaskewich, David	2, 18, 37
Yektansani, Kiana	32, 61
Yimga, Jules	35, 49
Yu, William	36
Yu, Xuewen	11
Yuen, Jonah	16, 31
Zhao, Danyang	23, 40
Zhylyevskyy, Oleksandr	22, 38
Zuniga, Martha Cruz	32

Plan now to attend the

Missouri Valley
Economic Association

56th Annual Meeting

At the Kansas City Marriott Country Club Plaza
Kansas City, Missouri
October 10 – 12, 2019



Christopher Douglas, MVEA President
University of Michigan - Flint
Flint, Michigan

See you in Kansas City!