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1. Council for Community and Economic Research
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Welcome to SRSA’s 55th Conference

There may have been a number of changes since you last viewed the program. Verify the timing and location of your papers and sessions. The Participant Index located on pages 54-57 shows when and in what session you are scheduled.

The following provides a guide to the etiquette for all sessions:

- Each paper presentation generally is allotted twenty minutes.

- Discussants should prepare five minutes of remarks, allowing five minutes for questions and comments from other attendees.

- Session chairs and presenters should arrive ten minutes early for audio/visual preparation.

- It is the responsibility of the session chair to ensure a laptop will be available in the session.

- Session chairs should preserve the order of the session to facilitate attendees who may be attempting to hear papers in concurrent sessions.

- Presenters and discussants should remain for the entire session.

55th SRSA Annual Meeting: Program Overview

Thursday, March 31

9:00am-12:00pm
Session 1: NE-1049 Business Meeting: Washington (By Invitation Only)

12:00pm-5:00pm
Registration: Francis Scott Key

3:30pm-5:30pm
Session 2A: State Forecasts: Georgetown - Salon B
Session 2B: Federal Organizations 1: Research Support: Georgetown – Salon C

6:30pm-9:00pm
SRSA Council Meeting: Capitol View Ballroom (14th Floor) – Salon 1 (By Invitation Only)

Friday, April 1

7:00am-5:00pm
Registration: Francis Scott Key

7:00am-8:00am
Continental Breakfast: Francis Scott Key

8:00am-10:00am
Session 3A: Regional Research Frontiers 1: Washington
Session 3B: Broadband Policy: Georgetown - Salon A
Session 3C: Local Food Systems: Georgetown - Salon B
Session 3D: Frontiers in Spatial Analysis: Jefferson
Session 3E: CGE Modeling: Monroe
Session 3F: Local Reaction to Natural or Man-Made Disasters: Georgetown - Salon C

10:00am-10:30am
Refreshment Break: Francis Scott Key
Session 4A: Federal Organizations 2: Supporting Regional and Local Development through Programs and Research: Georgetown - Salon A
Session 4B: Publishing in Regional Science Journals: Monroe
Session 4C: How Housing Markets Interact with Local and Individual Economic Change: Georgetown - Salon C
Session 4D: Migration 1: Georgetown - Salon B
Session 4E: Small Business and Entrepreneurs 1: Jefferson
Session 4F: Research on Rural Economic Issues: Washington

Awards Luncheon: Capital View Ballroom (14th Floor)

Session 5A: Federal Organizations 3: Research, Data, and Opportunities with Federal Statistical Agencies: Monroe
Session 5B: Marginalization, Adaptation, and Assistance: The Journey of those Who Are Left Behind: Washington
Session 5C: Researching the Effect of State and Local Taxation on Economic Growth: Georgetown - Salon A
Session 5D: Water Systems, Growth, and Ecological Issues: Georgetown - Salon B
Session 5E: Input-Output 1: Jefferson
Session 5F: The Gifts and Challenges that Nature Offers for Local Economies: Georgetown - Salon C

Refreshment Break: Francis Scott Key

Session 6A: Federal Organizations 4: Regional Research at the Federal Reserve Bank: Jefferson
Session 6B: Studies on Local and Regional Economic Growth: Georgetown - Salon A
Session 6C: Small Business and Entrepreneurs 2: Washington
Session 6D: Perspectives on the Structure and Development of Regions: Georgetown - Salon B
Session 6E: Input-Output 2: Monroe
Session 6F: Migration 2: Georgetown - Salon C

Reception: Capitol View Ballroom (14th Floor)

Saturday, April 2

7:00am-12:00pm
Registration: Francis Scott Key

7:00am-8:00am
Continental Breakfast: Francis Scott Key

8:00am-10:00am
Session 7A: Applications of Spatial Econometric Analysis: Georgetown - Salon A
Session 7B: Small Business and Entrepreneurs 3: Monroe
Session 7C: Regional Research Frontiers 2: Washington
Session 7D: Spatial Clustering: Georgetown - Salon B
Session 7E: Input-Output 3: Jefferson
Session 7F: Transportation: Georgetown - Salon C

10:00am-10:30am
Refreshment Break: Francis Scott Key

10:30am-12:00pm
Session 8A: Labor Market Analysis: Jefferson
Session 8B: Learning from Higher Learning: Georgetown - Salon A
Session 8C: Small Business and Entrepreneurs 4: Monroe
Session 8D: Understanding Urban/Spatial Structure: Washington
Session 8E: Measures of Income and Output for States and Metro Areas: Georgetown - Salon B
Session 8F: New Approaches to Understand Impacts of Social Issues: Georgetown - Salon C

12:15pm-1:45pm
Presidential Luncheon and SRSA Business Meeting: Capitol View Ballroom (14th Floor)

2:00pm-4:00pm
Session 9A: Regional Research Frontiers 3: Jefferson
Session 9B: Hospitals, Health, and Local Economic Development: Georgetown - Salon B
Session 9C: New Perspectives on the Determinants of Local Government Revenues and Expenditures: Georgetown - Salon C
Session 9D: Input-Output 4: Monroe

4:00pm
55th SRSA Annual Meeting Ends
Thursday, March 31

9:00 am – 12:00 pm (noon)
NE-1049 BUSINESS MEETING
 Room: Washington
 Organizer: Yong Chen, Oregon State University
 (By invitation only)

3:30 pm – 5:30 pm
2A STATE FORECASTS
 Room: Georgetown - Salon B
 Chair: William Bowen, Cleveland State University

The North Carolina Economic Outlook
 John Connaughton, University of North Carolina-Charlotte

The Oklahoma Economic Outlook
 Dan Rickman, Oklahoma State University

The South Carolina Economic Outlook for 2016
 Joseph Von Nessen, University of South Carolina-Columbia

The West Virginia Economic Outlook
 Brian Lego, West Virginia University

2B FEDERAL ORGANIZATIONS 1:
 RESEARCH SUPPORT
 Room: Georgetown - Salon C
 Chair: Judith Stallmann, University of Missouri
 Panel:
 Cheryl Eavey, National Science Foundation
 Mark Shroder, US Department of Housing and Urban Development
 Jonathan Porat, US Small Business Administration

6:30 pm – 9:00 pm
SRSA COUNCIL MEETING
 Room: Capitol View Ballroom – Salon 1
 (Dinner; By Invitation Only)

Friday, April 1

7:00 am – 8:00 am
CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST
 Francis Scott Key Room
8:00 am – 10:00 am

3A REGIONAL RESEARCH FRONTIERS 1
Room: Washington
Chair: Randall Jackson, West Virginia University

The Future of Agglomeration Research
Douglas Woodward, University of South Carolina
Carlianne Patrick, Georgia State University

Regional Policy and Fiscal Competition
Santiago Pinto, Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond

Identifying Sleeping Beauties in the Lore of Regional Science
Rajendra Kulkarni and Roger Stough, George Mason University

Designing Policies to Spur Economic Growth: How Regional Scientists Can Contribute to Future Policy Development and Evaluation
Carlianne Patrick, Georgia State University
Amanda Ross, West Virginia University
Heather Stephens, West Virginia University

Discussants:
Amit Batabyal, Rochester Institute of Technology
John Connaughton, University of North Carolina-Charlotte
William Schaffer, Georgia Institute of Technology
Douglas Woodward, University of South Carolina

3B BROADBAND POLICY
Room: Georgetown, Salon A
Chair: Susane Leguizamon, Western Kentucky University

Evaluation of USDA’s Broadband Loan Program: Impacts on the Broadband Provision
Robert Dinterman, North Carolina State University
Mitch Renkow, North Carolina State University

Broadband Un-adopters
Brian Whitacre, Oklahoma State University
Colin Rhinesmith, University of Oklahoma

Internet in Native American Households
Peter Stenberg, Economic Research Service, USDA

Estimating Willingness-to-pay for Broadband Attributes among Low-income Consumers: Results from the FCC Lifeline Pilot Projects
Hyun Ji Lee, Oklahoma State University
Brian Whitacre, Oklahoma State University

Discussants:
Tony Grubesic, Arizona State University
Peter Han, Economic Research Service, USDA
Younjun Kim, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Brian Lego, West Virginia University
**3C  LOCAL FOOD SYSTEMS**

**Room:** Georgetown - Salon B  
**Chair:** John Halstead, University of New Hampshire

*Consumers’ Willingness to Pay for Locally Grown Produce: A Study of New Hampshire Residents*

*Wei Shi, John Halstead, and Ju-Chin Huang,*  
University of New Hampshire

*A Local Food Economic Impact Assessment Toolkit*

*Dawn Thilmany,* Colorado State University  
*Steve Deller,* University of Wisconsin-Madison  
*Becca Jablonski,* Colorado State University

*A Typology of Local Food System Benchmarks*

*Dawn Thilmany,* Colorado State University  
*David Shideler,* Oklahoma State University  
*Allison Bauman,* Colorado State University  
*Becca Jablonski,* Colorado State University

*Trends in Direct-to-Consumer Agricultural Sales in the West South Central and Mountain Regions*

*David Shideler,* Oklahoma State University  
*Jeffrey O’Hara,* Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA

**3D  FRONTIERS IN SPATIAL ANALYSIS**

**Room:** Jefferson  
**Chair:** James Lesage, Texas State University

*Spatial Spillovers*

*Geoffrey J D Hewings,* University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign  
*Sungyup Chung,* Bank of Korea

*A Bayesian Spatial Panel Model with Heterogenous Coefficients*

*James Lesage,* Texas State University  
*Yao-Yu Chih,* Texas State University

*On Deriving Spatial Econometric Models from Theory and W from Observations – an Application to the US Regional Knowledge Production Function*

*Fang Fang,* University of Arizona  
*Sandy Dall’Erba,* University of Illinois  
*Dongwoo Kang,* Korean Labor Institute

*Spatial Perspective on Regional Economic Growth in China: Evidence from an Extended Neoclassic Growth Model*

*Xiangwei Sun,* Nanchang University  
*Fei Chen,* Nanchang University  
*Geoffrey Hewings,* University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

**Discussants:**

*Stephan Goetz,* Penn State University  
*Sarah Low,* Economic Research Service, USDA  
*Jeffrey O’Hara,* Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA  
*David Swenson,* Iowa State University

**Discussants:**

*John Carruthers,* The George Washington University  
*Sandy Dall’Erba,* University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign  
*Donald Lacombe,* West Virginia University  
*Xueting Zhao,* West Virginia University
3E  CGE MODELING
Room: Monroe
Chair: Bruce Weber, Oregon State University

Merging Economic and Civil Engineering Models to Estimate the Impact of Earthquakes
Harvey Cutler, Colorado State University
Naiyu Wang, University of Oklahoma
Charles Nicholson, University of Oklahoma
Sammy Zahran, Colorado State University

Yizhou Zhang, University of Illinois

The Impact of Future Population Growth on School District Finances
Robert Carey, Clemson University

A Sub-County, Multi-Regional Computable General Equilibrium Model for the Assessment of Regional Vulnerability to Natural Disasters and Resilience Plans
Yunguang Chen, Resources for the Future
Yong Chen, Oregon State University
Bruce Weber, Oregon State University
Jeff Reimer, Oregon State University

Discussants:
Christa Court, MRIGlobal
Harvey Cutler, Colorado State University
Peter Jarosi, West Virginia University
Vinicius Vale, Federal University of Juiz de Fora

3F  LOCAL REACTION TO NATURAL OR MAN-MADE DISASTERS
Room: Georgetown - Salon C
Chair: J. Matthew Fannin, Louisiana State University

Surviving a Hurricane: Urban Decline and the Dynamics of Local Supply Shocks
Kyle Hood, Bureau of Economic Analysis
William Larson, Federal Housing Finance Agency

Assessing Why People Choose NOT to Prepare for Economic Downturns or Natural or Man-made Disasters
Julie Fagan, Rutgers University
Farrah Khan, Rutgers University

Natural Disasters and Rural to Urban Migration in Latin America
Madeline Messick, University of Southern Mississippi

Optimal Management of Post Disaster Debris Removal
Alejandra Breve Ferrari, Louisiana State University
J. Matthew Fannin, Louisiana State University

Discussants:
Trina Biswas, Louisiana State University
Malcolm Glover, University of Central Arkansas
Diana Gutierrez Posada, University of Oviedo
J. Sebastian Leguizamon, Western Kentucky University
10:00 am – 10:30 am
REFRESHMENT BREAK
Francis Scott Key

10:30 am – 12:00 pm
4A FEDERAL ORGANIZATIONS 2: SUPPORTING REGIONAL AND LOCAL DEVELOPMENT THROUGH PROGRAMS AND RESEARCH
Room: Georgetown - Salon A
Chair: John Deskins, West Virginia University
Panel:
Julie Marshall, Appalachian Regional Commission
Richard Schwinn, US Small Business Administration
Miriam Segal, US Small Business Administration

4B PUBLISHING IN REGIONAL SCIENCE JOURNALS
Room: Monroe
Chair: Richard Cebula, Jacksonville University
Panel:
Richard Cebula, Jacksonville University, Journal of Regional Analysis & Policy
Mark Partridge, The Ohio State University, Journal of Regional Science
Dan Rickman, Oklahoma State University, Growth and Change
Amanda Ross, West Virginia University, Review of Regional Studies
Heather Stephens, West Virginia University, Regional Studies, Regional Science
4C HOW HOUSING MARKETS INTERACT WITH LOCAL AND INDIVIDUAL ECONOMIC CHANGE
Room: Georgetown - Salon C
Chair: Cynthia Rogers, University of Oklahoma

Why does the Return to Experience Vary by Worker Type Across Cities? The Role of Life-Cycle Housing Demand
Chun Kuang, The George Washington University

Demand for New Cities: Property Value capitalization of municipal incorporation
Carlianne Patrick, Georgia State University
Christopher Mothorpe, College of Charleston

The Association between Student Loan Debt and Housing Tenure Choice among Young Adults
Silda Nikaj, Texas Christian University
Joshua Miller, US Department of Housing and Urban Development

Discussants:
Michael Betz, The Ohio State University
Bruce Weber, Oregon State University
John Winters, Oklahoma State University

4D MIGRATION 1
Room: Georgetown - Salon B
Chair: David Clark, Marquette University

Migrant-Attractive Power of Shale Gas Developments in the USA
Isha Rajbhandari, The Ohio State University
Alessandra Faggian, The Ohio State University
Mark Partridge, The Ohio State University

The Role of Job Polarization on the Diffusion of Mexican Immigrants in the United States since the 1980s
Younjun Kim, University of Nebraska
Eric Thompson, University of Nebraska

Crime and Migration: The Case of the EU Enlargement
Juan Tomas Sayago Gomez, West Virginia University

Discussants:
Robert Dunn, Washington & Jefferson College
Ariadna Martinez Gonzalez, The Ohio State University
Nancy White, Bucknell University
4E  SMALL BUSINESS
ENTREPRENEURS 1
Room: Jefferson
Chair: Jeffrey O'Hara, USDA - Agricultural Marketing Service

Enhancing Marketing Intelligence for Business Management in Spatial Domain Using Spatial Statistics
Ather Ashraf, Punjab University
Rauf Ahmed, Infinone

Does Regional Variation in Startup Concentration Predict Employment Growth in Pennsylvania?
Brian Sloboda, University of Maryland
Yaya Sissoko, Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Entrepreneurial Universities and Collective Action in Regional Development
Troy Mix, University of Delaware

Discussants:
Olugbenga Ajilore, University of Toledo
Renata Caldas, Universidade Federal de Pernambuco
Rodrigo Perez Silva, The Ohio State University

4F  RESEARCH ON RURAL ECONOMIC ISSUES
Room: Washington
Chair: Frank O'Connor, Eastern Kentucky University

Linkages between Rural Community Wealth and Health Care Provision: Findings of a Survey of 150 Small Rural US Towns
John Pender, Economic Research Service, USDA
Vivian Hughes, Kansas State University

Spatial Variation in Housing Cost-Burden among Rural Low- and Moderate-Income Renters
Peter Han, Economic Research Service, USDA
John Cromartie, Economic Research Service, USDA

Why Only Some Rural Recreation Areas Are Prospering
David McGranahan, Economic Research Service, USDA

Discussants:
Tessa Conroy, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Alison Davis, University of Kentucky
Amanda Weinstein, University of Akron

12:15 pm – 1:45 pm

AWARDS LUNCHEON
Capitol View Ballroom
(14th Floor)
2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

5A  FEDERAL ORGANIZATIONS 3: RESEARCH, DATA, AND OPPORTUNITIES WITH FEDERAL STATISTICAL AGENCIES
Room: Monroe
Chair: John Kort, Retired (Bureau of Economic Analysis/Economic Research Service)

Panel:
Shawn Klimek, Bureau of the Census
Ian Mead, Bureau of Economic Analysis
John Pender, Economic Research Service

5B  MARGINALIZATION, ADAPTATION, AND ASSISTANCE: THE JOURNEY OF THOSE WHO ARE LEFT BEHIND
Room: Washington
Chair: Sarah Low, Economic Research Service, USDA

The Complex Livelihood Strategies of Low-Income Oregonians: Bundling SNAP Use, Unemployment Insurance and Wages
Bruce Weber, Oregon State University
Deana Grobe, Oregon State University

Collaborative Action: Globalization’s Impact on Humanitarian Aid Practices
Malcolm Glover, University of Central Arkansas

Poor Mexican Areas or Poor Mexican People? A Cross-Municipality Analysis of the Causes of Mexican Poverty and Some Policy Implications
Ariadna Martinez Gonzalez, The Ohio State University

Are the Most Productive Regions Necessarily the Most Successful? Local Effects of Productivity on Socioeconomic Performance in US counties
Mark Partridge, Alexandra Tsvetkova, and Michael Betz, The Ohio State University

Discussants:
Steven Deller, University of Wisconsin
Troy Mix, University of Delaware
Frank O’Connor, University of Kentucky
Cynthia Rogers, University of Oklahoma
5C RESEARCHING THE EFFECT OF STATE AND LOCAL TAXATION ON ECONOMIC GROWTH
Room: Georgetown - Salon A
Chair: Georg Grassmueck, Lycoming College

State Tax Progressivity, Economic Growth and Income Inequality
Martin Shields, Colorado State University
Harvey Cutler, Colorado State University

Urban Agglomerations, Taxation and the Laffer Curve: The Spanish Case
Laura Varela-Candamio, University of A Coruña
Fernando Rubiera, University of Oviedo

The Impact of Tax Policies on US State Economies
Bo Feng, The Ohio State University

Tax Incentives for Industrial Recruitment: A Critical Review
Peter Calcagno, College of Charleston
Frank Hefner, College of Charleston

Discussants:
Richard Cebula, Jacksonville University
John Deskins, West Virginia University
Sriparna Ghosh, West Virginia University
Dan Rickman, Oklahoma State University

5D WATER SYSTEMS, GROWTH, AND ECOLOGICAL ISSUES
Room: Georgetown - Salon B
Chair: Brian Lego, West Virginia University

Spatial Analysis of Water Convergence on a Province Level in China
Xueting Zhao, West Virginia University

Water Utility Pricing and Minimum Charges: What Explains the Differences in West Virginia?
Elham Erfanian, West Virginia University
Alan Collins, West Virginia University

Accessibility, Vulnerability, and Resilience in a Stochastic Model of Sustainable Ecotourism
Amit Batabyal, Rochester Institute of Technology

Analysis of Industry Linkage Effect Evaluation of Yili River Valley Region on the Basis of Industrial Ecology Perspective
Li Li, Xinjiang Agricultural University

Discussants:
Mark Burkey, North Carolina A&T
Hyun Ji Lee, Oklahoma State University
Santiago Pinto, Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond
Weihua Zhao, George Washington University
5E  INPUT-OUTPUT 1
   Room: Jefferson
   Chair: Dawn Thilmany, Colorado State University

   Agriculture Productivity, International Trade and Food Security: Some Implications from a Greater Productivity in Brazilian
   Vinicius Vale and Fernando Perobelli, Federal University of Juiz de Fora

   A Method for Evaluating the Economic Contribution of a Local Food System
   Philip Watson, University of Idaho
   Greg Alward, Steve Cooke, and David Kay, Alward Institute for Collaborative Science
   Alfonso Morales, University of Wisconsin

   The Role of Crop Insurance Programs in Climate Change Impact Measurement
   Sandy Dall’Erba and Zhangliang Chen, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

   The Impact of Agri-Business Service Providers on the Local Economy
   Mary Carey, University College Dublin/Teagasc

   Discussants:
   Margarita Barrera, University of Seville and University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
   Andre Carrascal, University of Illinois and University of Santiago de Compostela
   Stephen Cooke, Alward Institute for Collaborative Science
   Philip Watson, University of Idaho

5F  THE GIFTS AND CHALLENGES THAT NATURE OFFERS FOR LOCAL ECONOMIES
   Room: Georgetown - Salon C
   Chair: J. Sebastian Leguizamon, Western Kentucky University

   The Impact of Shale Development on Housing Prices in Colorado
   Heather Stephens, West Virginia University
   Amanda Weinstein, University of Akron

   Drivers of Coal-Fired Capacity Retirements in Electricity Markets
   Eric Bowen and Stratford Douglas, West Virginia University

   Public Investment or the Economy?
   Understanding the Resilience of the Local Government Finances Following the 2005 Hurricane Season
   Trina Biswas, Vikash Dangal, and J. Matthew Fannin, Louisiana State University
   Isaac Sitienei, Texas State University

   Regional Windfalls or Beverly Hillbillies? Local and Absentee Ownership of Oil and Gas Royalties
   Jason Brown, Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City
   Timothy Fitzgerald, Texas Tech University
   James Sears, Montana State University
   Jeremy Weber, University of Pittsburgh

   Discussants:
   Michael Farmer, Texas Tech University
   Da Fei, Rutgers University
   Kyle Hood, US Bureau of Economic Analysis
   Isha Rajbhandari, The Ohio State University
4:00 pm – 4:30 pm
REFRESHMENT BREAK
Francis Scott Key

4:30 pm – 6:00 pm
6A FEDERAL ORGANIZATIONS 4: REGIONAL RESEARCH AT THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANK
Room: Jefferson
Chair: Santiago Pinto, Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond

Panel:
Jason Brown, Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City
Santiago Pinto, Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond
Michael Trebing, Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia

6B STUDIES ON LOCAL AND REGIONAL ECONOMIC GROWTH
Room: Georgetown - Salon A
Chair: Tony Grubesic, Arizona State University

A State-Level Analysis of Natural Resources and Investment
Robert Dunn, Washington & Jefferson College
Leslie Dunn, Washington & Jefferson College

Golden Triangle: Maximizing Economic Development
Melody Muldrow, University of Arkansas at Little Rock
Gregory Hamilton, University of Arkansas at Little Rock

The Effects of Probabilistic Innovations on Schumpeterian Economic Growth in a Creative Region
Amit Batabyal, Rochester Institute of Technology
Hamid Beladi, University of Texas at San Antonio

Discussants:
Mouhcine Guettabi, University of Alaska
John Pender, Economic Research Service, USDA
Peter Schaeffer, West Virginia University
6C SMALL BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURS 2
Room: Washington
Chair: Richard Cebula, Jacksonville University

The Spatial Relationship between State Tax Policy and Entrepreneurship.
John Deskins, West Virginia University
Don Lacombe, West Virginia University
Amanda Ross, West Virginia University

Tax Rates and Entrepreneurial Activity
Sriparna Ghosh, West Virginia University

Rural Entrepreneurial Intentions and the Gender Divide
Alison Davis, University of Kentucky
Georgette Owusu-Amankwah, University of Kentucky
Shaheer Burney, University of Kentucky
James Allen, University of Kentucky

Discussants:
Frank Hefner, College of Charleston
Brian Sloboda, University of Maryland University College
Brian Whitacre, Oklahoma State University

6D PERSPECTIVES ON THE STRUCTURE AND DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONS
Room: Georgetown - Salon B
Chair: Douglas Woodward, University of South Carolina

Functional Regions in Gravity Models and Accessibility Measures
Michael Olsson, University of Skövde

Developing a Clustering Approach for Regional Identification Using Multiple Functions
Trina Biswas, Louisiana State University
J. Matthew Fannin, Louisiana State University
Deborah Williams, Louisiana State University
Vikash Dangal, Louisiana State University

Ethnicity, Institutions, and Urban Bias: A Quantitative Analysis
Sidney Turner, Fors Marsh Group LLC
Uma Kelekar, Marymount University

Discussants:
J. Matthew Fannin, Louisiana State University
Zhi Li, University of Maryland
Qing Su, Northern Kentucky University
6E  INPUT-OUTPUT 2
Room: Monroe
Chair: Andre Carrascal, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and University of Santiago de Compostela

An Input-Output Analysis of Arizona’s Virtual Water Trade
Jinwon Bae, University of Arizona
Sandy Dall’Erba, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Regional and Sectoral Considerations in the Spanish Economy: The Case of Ophthalmic Optics
Margarita Barrera, University of Seville and University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Geoffrey Hewings, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Julián Pérez, Autonomous University of Madrid
Alfredo Mainar, European Commission and Institute of Prospective Technological Studies

Modeling Spatial Food Supply Network based on Geography, Distance, and Competition
Yicheol Han, Stephan Goetz, and Houtian Ge, Pennsylvania State University

Discussants:
Julie Fagan, Rutgers University
Miguel Flores, Escuela de Gobierno y Transformacion Publica
Geoffrey Hewings, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

6F  MIGRATION 2
Room: Georgetown - Salon C
Chair: Thomas Knapp, Pennsylvania State University

Understanding the Decline in Inter-Urban and Intra-Urban Mobility
Cathy Liu, Georgia State University
Gary Painter, University of Southern California

Up and Down the Spanish Urban Hierarchy: Migration Patterns and Wages in a Crisis Context
Diana Gutierrez Posada, University of Oviedo

How the “Great Recession” Affected Migration of the Elderly
Christiadi, West Virginia University
Brian Cushing, West Virginia University

Discussants:
M. Rose Olfert, University of Saskatchewan
Cathy Liu, Georgia State University

6:30 pm – 8:30 pm
SRSA RECEPTION
Room: Capitol View Ballroom (14th Floor)
Saturday, April 2

7:00 am – 8:00 am
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CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST
Francis Scott Key Room

8:00 am – 10:00 am
7A APPLICATIONS OF SPATIAL ECONOMETRIC ANALYSIS
Room: Georgetown - Salon A
Chair: Heather Stephens, West Virginia University

Deer-Related Auto Accidents: The Hunting Technique Effect
Caleb Stair, West Virginia University

The Value of Environmental Quality: Estimates from Space-time Analysis
John Carruthers, The George Washington University
David Clark, Marquette University

A Spatial Study of the Behavior of County-level Alcohol Sales in Tennessee
Mark Melichar, Tennessee Tech University
Willis Lewis, Winthrop University
Ferdinand Difurio, Tennessee Tech University

The Role of Peer Civic Engagement during High School on Adult Political Participation
Olugbenga Ajilore, University of Toledo
Gayle Alberda, Fairfield University

Discussants:
Susane Leguizamon, Western Kentucky University
James Lesage, Texas State University
Cristina Miller, Economic Research Service, USDA
Juan Tomas Sayago Gomez, West Virginia University

7B SMALL BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURS 3
Room: Monroe
Chair: Brian Sloboda, University of Maryland - University College

Eligibility Assessment of the Brazilian Semi-Arid Criteria: Impacts on Municipalities' Employment and Income
Renata Caldas, Universidade Federal de Pernambuco

Small Business Borrowing and Peer-to-Peer Lending: Evidence from Lending Club
Amanda Ross, Adam Nowak, and Christopher Yencha, West Virginia University

Community Characteristics and Business Survival Rates
Steven Deller and Tessa Conroy, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Does the Tide Raise all Boats: Entrepreneurial Response to Economic Conditions across the Urban-Rural Hierarchy
Alexandra Tsvetkova, Mark Partridge, and Michael Betz, The Ohio State University

Discussants:
Shaoming Cheng, Florida International University
John Halstead, University of New Hampshire
Judith Stallmann, University of Missouri
Laura Varela-Candamio, University of A Coruña
7C  REGIONAL RESEARCH FRONTIERS 2  
Room: Washington  
Chair: Randall Jackson, RRI, West Virginia University

*The Emerging Role of the Energy-Water Nexus in Regional Development*  
Christa Court, MRIGlobal

*Directions in Migration Research*  
Peter Schaeffer, West Virginia University

*Mixture Models with Spatial Dependency*  
Gary Cornwall, University of Cincinnati  
Olivier Parent, University of Cincinnati

*Structural Decomposition and Shift-Share Analyses: Let the Parallels Converge*  
Erik Dietzenbacher, University of Groningen  
Michael Lahr, Rutgers University

Discussants:  
Eric Bowen, West Virginia University  
Thomas Knapp, Pennsylvania State University  
Donald Lacombe, West Virginia University  
Peter Stenberg, Economic Research Service, USDA

7D  SPATIAL CLUSTERING  
Room: Georgetown - Salon B  
Chair: Frank Hefner, College of Charleston

*Problems with the Use of Distance Variables in Policy Analysis and How to Fix Them: An Empirical Example*  
Michael Farmer, Texas Tech University  
Michael Shiroya, Texas Tech University

*Micropolitan: A Relevant Policy Geography for the 21st Century?*  
J. Matthew Fannin, Louisiana State University  
Sam Cordes, Purdue University  
Bruce Weber, Oregon State University

*Technological Intensity and Spatial Clustering of Firms in Mexico*  
Miguel Flores, Escuela de Gobierno y Transformacion Publica  
Amado Villarreal, Escuela de Gobierno y Transformacion Publica  
Francisco Gasca, Escuela de Gobierno y Transformacion Publica

*Separating Rational Herding Among Firms and Spatial Clustering of Demand: A Case in Branch Banking*  
Wade Litt, The Ohio State University

Discussants:  
Bo Feng, The Ohio State University  
Michael Olsson, University of Skövde  
Xiangwei Sun, Nanchang University  
Yizhou Zhang, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
7E  **INPUT-OUTPUT 3**  
Room: Jefferson  
Chair: William Schaffer, Georgia Institute of Technology

Youth Unemployment in Europe: The North-South Divide Interpreted Using a Bi-Regional Demoeconomic Model  
**Andre Carrascal**, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and University of Santiago de Compostela  
**Geoffrey Hewings**, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Optimal Locations of Fresh Produce Supplier Hubs in the United States  
**Houtian Ge**, Pennsylvania State University  
**Patrick Canning**, Economic Research Service, USDA  
**Stephan Goetz**, Pennsylvania State University  
**Agnes Perez**, Economic Research Service, USDA

7F  **TRANSPORTATION**  
Room: Georgetown - Salon C  
Chair: Frank Goetzke, University of Louisville

Whether and How Spatial Characteristics and Motor Vehicle Travel in the US Urban Areas?  
**Qing Su**, Northern Kentucky University  
**Liren Zhou**, Aecom  
**Johanan Mushota**, Northern Kentucky University

Effect of Commodity’s Value-Weight Ratio on Freight Mode Choice  
**Da Fei**, Rutgers University

Vehicle Fuel Economy and Vehicle Miles Traveled: An Empirical Investigation of Jevon’s Paradox  
**Vinola Munyon**, Cleveland State University  
**William Bowen**, Cleveland State University  
**John Holcomb**, Cleveland State University

The Pain Persists: Exploring the Spatiotemporal Trends in Air Fares and Itinerary Pricing in the United States, 2002-2013  
**Tony Grubesic**, Arizona State University  
**Fangwu Wei**, Drexel University

Discussants:  
**Frank Goetzke**, University of Louisville  
**Tony Grubesic**, Arizona State University  
**Rajendra Kulkarni**, George Mason University  
**Sumei Zhang**, University of Louisville  

Discussants:  
**Gregory Alward**, Alward Institute for Collaborative Science  
**Jason Brown**, Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City  
**Robert Carey**, Clemson University  
**Zafer Baris Gul**, Rutgers University and Akdeniz University

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REFRESHERMENT BREAK

10:30 am – 12:00 pm
8A LABOR MARKET ANALYSIS
 Room: Jefferson
 Chair: Eric Bowen, West Virginia University

Decomposing the Wage Differential Between Veterans and Non-Veterans
 Amanda Weinstein, University of Akron
 Francesco Renna, University of Akron

Racial Differences in the Influence of Mass Layoffs and Domestic Violence
 Susane Leguizamon, Western Kentucky University

The Kids are Alright: Working Women, Schedule Flexibility, and Child Care
 Tessa Conroy, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Discussants:
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 Silda Nikaj, Texas Christian University
 Sidney Turner, Fors Marsh Group LLC

8B LEARNING FROM HIGHER LEARNING
 Room: Georgetown - Salon A
 Chair: Robert Dunn, Washington & Jefferson College

Knowledge Spillovers and Wage Inequality.
The Side Effect of the Concentration of Highly Educated Workers in US Cities
 Rodrigo Perez Silva, The Ohio State University

The Effects of State Merit Aid Programs on Attendance at Elite Colleges
 David Sjoquist, Georgia State University
 John Winters, Oklahoma State University

Encouraging Sustainable Transportation—Insights from the Earn-A-Bike Program at the University of Louisville
 Sumei Zhang, University of Louisville
 Emmanuel Boamah, University of Louisville
 Justin Mog, University of Louisville

Discussants:
 Alejandra Breve Ferrari, Louisiana State University
 Amanda Ross, West Virginia University
 Caleb Stair, West Virginia University
8C SMALL BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURS 4
Room: Monroe
Chair: Peter Stenberg, ERS

Community Banks and Agricultural Sales in Rural States
Jeffrey O’Hara, Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA

The Impact of Rural Business Development Programs: An Evaluation of USDA’s Value-Added Producer Grants (VAPG) Program
Anil Rupasingha, Economic Research Service, USDA
John Pender, Economic Research Service, USDA
Seth Wiggins, West Virginia University

Rural Business Financial Capital Use & Availability: The Nexus with Innovation
Sarah Low, Economic Research Service, USDA
Anil Rupasingha, Economic Research Service, USDA
J. Nich Tremper, University of Minnesota

Discussants:
Mary Carey, University College Dublin/Teagasc
David Shideler, Oklahoma State University
Heather Stephens, West Virginia University

8D UNDERSTANDING URBAN/SPATIAL STRUCTURE
Room: Washington
Chair: Frank Goetzke, University of Louisville

Consumption and City Size: Evidence from China
Zhi Li, University of Maryland
Chengri Ding, University of Maryland

Telework: Urban Form, Energy Consumption, and Greenhouse Gas Implications
Weihua Zhao, George Washington University
William Larson, Federal Housing Finance Agency

Determinants of Urban Sprawl: A Panel Data Approach
Joseph Desalvo, University of South Florida
Qing Su, Northern Kentucky University

Discussants:
Yunguang Chen, Resources for the Future
Li Li, Xinjiang Agricultural University
Madeline Messick, University of Southern Mississippi
MEASURES OF INCOME AND OUTPUT FOR STATES AND METRO AREAS
Room: Georgetown - Salon B
Chair: Mark Burkey, North Carolina A&T

MSA PCPI Divergence
John Connaughton, University of North Carolina - Charlotte
Caroline Swartz, University of North Carolina - Charlotte

State Real GDP and the Coincident Index: A Preliminary Comparison
Francis Ahking, University of Connecticut

The Distribution of Household Income in Kentucky: 1980-2010
Frank O'Connor, Eastern Kentucky University

Discussants:
Randall Jackson, West Virginia University
Willis Lewis, Winthrop University
Alexandra Tsvetkova, The Ohio State University

NEW APPROACHES TO UNDERSTAND IMPACTS OF SOCIAL ISSUES
Room: Georgetown - Salon C
Chair: Bo Feng, The Ohio State University

What Is the Impact of Proximity and Timing of Crime in Housing Prices? The Cases of Denver and Seattle
Juan Tomas Sayago Gomez, West Virginia University
Adam Nowak, West Virginia University

Coal and Family through the Boom and Bust: A Look at the Coal Industry's Impact on Marriage and Fertility
Michael Betz, The Ohio State University
Anastasia Snyder, The Ohio State University

Exploring the Causal Relationship between Major League Baseball Games and Crime: A Synthetic Control Analysis
Hyunwoong Pyun, West Virginia University

Discussants:
David Clark, Marquette University
Elham Erfanian, MRIGlobal
Anthony Yezer, George Washington University

12:15 pm – 1:45 pm
PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS
BUSINESS LUNCHEON
Capitol View Ballroom
(14th Floor)
2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

9A REGIONAL RESEARCH FRONTIERS 3
Room: Jefferson
Chair: Randall Jackson, RRI, West Virginia University

Object Orientation, Open Regional Science, and Cumulative Knowledge Building
Randall Jackson, West Virginia University
Peter Jarosi, West Virginia University
Sergio Rey, Arizona State University

Hierarchical Spatial Econometric Models in Regional Science
Donald Lacombe, West Virginia University
Stuart McIntyre, University of Strathclyde

Opportunities and Challenges of Spatially Distributed Innovation Imaginaries
Timothy Wojan, Economic Research Service, USDA

Exploring Innovation Gaps in the American Space Economy
Gordon Mulligan, University of Arizona
Neil Reid, University of Toledo
John Carruthers, The George Washington University
Matthew Lehnert, University of Toledo

Discussants:
William Bowen, Cleveland State University
Gary Cornwall, University of Cincinnati
Anil Rupasingha, University of Cincinnati
Timothy Wojan, Economic Research Service, USDA

9B HOSPITALS, HEALTH, AND LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
Room: Georgetown - Salon B
Chair: John Connaughton, University of North Carolina - Charlotte

Economic Impacts of Hospitals on Rural Communities
Cristina Miller, Economic Research Service, USDA
John Pender, Economic Research Service, USDA

Insurance Coverage: Small Area Estimates and Hospital Accessibility
Mark Burkey, North Carolina A&T
Mariama Sidibe, North Carolina A&T

What are the Health and Wealth Implications of Economic Development?
Mouhcine Guettabi, University of Alaska-Anchorage

Discussants:
Ferdinand Difurio, Tennessee Tech University
David McGranahan, Economic Research Service, USDA
Melody Muldrow, University of Arkansas at Little Rock
9C  NEW PERSPECTIVES ON THE DETERMINANTS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES  
Room: Georgetown - Salon C  
Chair: Nancy White

The Housing Crisis, Foreclosures, and Local Tax Revenues  
J. Sebastian Leguizamon, Western Kentucky University  
James Alm, Tulane University

Community Associations and Local Government Budget  
Hai Guo, Florida International University  
Shaoming Cheng, Florida International University

Local Government Consolidation in Pennsylvania and Local Government Expenditures  
Georg Grassmueck, Lycoming College

Implications of a State Sales Tax Rate Increase with Multi-Tiered Sales Taxation  
Cynthia Rogers, University of Oklahoma  
Greg Burge, University of Oklahoma

Discussants:  
Chun Kuang, The George Washington University  
Wade Litt, The Ohio State University  
Hyunwoong Pyun, West Virginia University  
Juan Tomas Sayago Gomez, West Virginia University

9D  INPUT-OUTPUT 4  
Room: Monroe  
Chair: Geoffrey Hewings, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign

Multiregional Input-Output Modelling for Regional Energy Requirements in Turkey  
Zafer Baris Gul, Rutgers University and Akdeniz University

Household Induced Effects and Environmental Externalities: International Patterns of Water Pollution through a Structural Decomposition Analysis  
Andre Carrascal, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and University of Santiago de Compostela  
Andre Fernandes Tomon Avelino, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign  
Alberto Franco Solis, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and University of Extremadura

Integrating HAZUS and Input-Output for recovery path analysis: an application to the 2007 Chehalis River Flood (WA)  
Andre Fernandes Tomon Avelino and Sandy Dall’Erba, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Identifying Opportunities for Growth in Michigan’s Forest-Product Sectors  
Stephen Cooke, David Kay, and Gregory Alward, Alward Institute for Collaborative Science  
Philip Watson, University of Idaho

Discussants:  
Andre Fernandes Tomon Avelino, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign  
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