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PROGRAM

Days: Thursday, April 4th  Friday, April 5th  Saturday, April 6th

Thursday, April 4th

View this program:  with abstracts  session overview  talk overview

08:00-16:30  IMPLAN Pre-Conference Workshop
LOCATION: Georgetown A

08:00-14:00  Rural Policy Research Institute Analytics Meeting (By Invitation Only)
LOCATION: Washington

09:00-12:00  NE-1749 Project Meeting (By Invitation Only)
LOCATION: Georgetown C

14:00-18:00  Registration Desk/Exhibits Open
LOCATION: Francis Scott Key Ballroom

14:30-16:00  Session 1A: Regional Research at the Bureau of Economic Analysis - Data and Applications I
Organizers: Kyle Hood and Christian Awuku-Budu, Bureau of Economic Analysis
CHAIR: Christian Awuku-Budu (Bureau of Economic Analysis, United States)
LOCATION: Washington

14:30 Ledia Guci  (Bureau of Economic Analysis, United States)
Development of Regional Satellite Accounts (abstract)
Discussant: Thomas Johnson

14:55
Governing Global Value Chains: Evidence From Automotive Trade Data (abstract)  
Discussant: Jiemin Guo

Water Policy and the Common Pool: Examining Crop Choice in California (abstract)  
Discussant: Daniel Bigelow

14:30-16:00  Session 1B: New Advances Regarding US Supplemental Poverty Measurement
Session Discussant: Shelly Ver Ploeg, USDA Economic Research Service
CHAIR: Thesia Garner (U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, United States)
DISCUSSANT: Shelly Ver Ploeg (USDA Economic Research Service, United States)
LOCATION: Jefferson
14:30 Liana Fox (U.S. Census Bureau, United States)
Thesia Garner (U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, United States)
Moving to the Median, Expanding the Estimation Sample, and Testing Equivalence Scales: Impact on SPM Thresholds and Poverty Statistics (abstract)
15:00 Trudi Renwick (U.S. Census Bureau, United States)
Incorporating Amenities Into the Supplemental Poverty Measure (abstract)
15:30 Liana Fox (U.S. Census Bureau, United States)
Lewis Warren (U.S. Census Bureau, United States)
Material Well-Being and Poverty: New Evidence Across Poverty Measures (abstract)

14:30-16:00  Session 1C: Regional/Spatial Aspects of the Opioid Crisis I
Organizer: Brian Cushing, West Virginia University
CHAIR: David Peters (Iowa State University, United States)
LOCATION: Georgetown C
14:30
Samia Islam (Boise State University, United States)
Kelly Chen (Boise State University, United States)
Well-Being, Job Insecurity and the Opioid Crisis (abstract)
Discussant: Devon Meadowcroft

15:00 David McGranahan (USDA Economic Research Service, United States)
Tim Parker (USDA Economic Research Service, United States)
Exploring the geography of the opioid epidemic: A walk on the supply side (abstract)
Discussant: Mike Shepard

15:30 Michael Betz (The Ohio State University, United States)
Lauren Jones (The Ohio State University, United States)
Contextual and Demographic Factors Influencing Naloxone Use on Overdose Decedents (abstract)
Discussant: Collin Hodges

16:00-16:30 Break

16:30-18:45 Session 2A: State Forecasts
Organizer: John Connaughton, UNC Charlotte

CHAIR: John Connaughton (UNC Charlotte, United States)
LOCATION: Georgetown A

16:30 Joey Von Nessen (University of South Carolina, United States)
South Carolina Economic Outlook (abstract)

16:55 Michael Lahr (Rutgers University, United States)
New Jersey Economic Outlook (abstract)

17:20 Dan Rickman (Oklahoma State University, United States)
Hongbo Wang (Oklahoma State University, United States)
Oklahoma Economic Outlook (abstract)

17:45 Brian Lego (University of West Virginia, United States)
West Virginia Economic Outlook (abstract)

18:10 John Connaughton (UNC Charlotte, United States)
North Carolina Economic Outlook (abstract)

16:30-18:45 Session 2B: Energy
CHAIR: David Swenson (Iowa State University, United States)
LOCATION: Georgetown B

16:30 Kuan-Ming Huang (West Virginia University, United States)
   Xiaoli Etienne (West Virginia University, United States)
**Do Natural Hazards in the Gulf Coast Still Matter for State-Level Natural Gas Prices? Evidence After the Shale Gas Boom** (abstract)
   Discussant: David Swenson

16:55 John Winters (Iowa State University, United States)
   Zhengyu Cai (Southwestern University of Finance and Economics, China)
   Karen Maguire (Oklahoma State University, United States)
**Who Benefits From Local Oil and Gas Employment? Labor Market Composition in the Oil and Gas Industry in Texas** (abstract)
   Discussant: Kuan-Ming Huang

17:20 Luyi Han (Oklahoma State University, United States)
   John Winters (Iowa State University, United States)
**Industry Fluctuations and College Major Choices: Evidence From an Energy Boom and Bust** (abstract)
   Discussant: Shishir Shakya

17:45 Shishir Shakya (West Virginia University, United States)
**The Dark Side of the Shale Boom– Increased Crime Among Economically-Small, Relatively Rural American States Generalized Synthetic Control Approach** (abstract)
   Discussant: John Winters

18:10 David Swenson (Iowa State University, United States)
**Emerging Energy Investments Economic Impact Challenges: The Interconnection Seam Study as a Case Example** (abstract)
   Discussant: Luyi Han

16:30-18:45 Session 2C: Analysis of Incentives
   CHAIR: Martin Romitti (Center for Regional Economic Competitiveness, United States)
   LOCATION: Georgetown C

16:30 Jia Wang (University of Dayton, United States)
   Weici Yuan (University of Central Arkansas, United States)
**Economic Development Incentives (EDI) Spending in US States: Toward Convergence?** (abstract)
   Discussant: Doug Woodward

16:55 Adrienne DiTommaso (The Ohio State University, United States)
   Robert Greenbaum (The Ohio State University, United States)
   Discussant: Luyi Han
An Examination of the Use of State and Local Tax Incentives and Diversification of the Local Economic Base (abstract)
Discussant: Jia Wang

17:20 Jia Wang (University of Dayton, United States)
Weici Yuan (University of Central Arkansas, United States)
Cynthia Rogers (University of Oklahoma, United States)
Economic Development Incentives: What Can We Learn From Policy Regime Changes? (abstract)
Discussant: Terry Rephann

17:45 Doug Woodward (University of South Carolina, United States)
Alexandra Troidl (University of South Carolina, United States)
Incentives and the Location of Foreign Manufacturing Investment in the United States (abstract)
Discussant: Adrienne DiTommaso

18:10 Terry Rephann (Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service, University of Virginia, United States)
Economic Development Incentive Program Deadweight: The Role of Program Design Features, Firm Characteristics, and Location (abstract)
Discussant: Cynthia Rogers

16:30-18:45 Session 2D: Intergenational Mobility, Poverty and Inequality
Organizer: Bruce Weber, Oregon State University

Chair: Bruce Weber (Oregon State University, United States)
Location: Jefferson

16:30 Vikash Dangal (Louisiana State University, United States)
J. Matthew Fannin (Louisiana State University, United States)
Structural Differences in the Neighborhood Characteristics Associated With Social Mobility by Race and Gender (abstract)
Discussant: Karina Acosta Ordanez

16:55 Tim Smith (Purdue University, United States)
Agricultural Transformation and Intergenerational Mobility in the United States, 1940-2000 (abstract)
Discussant: Karina Acosta Ordanez

17:20 Sarah Barrows (University of Idaho, United States)
Paul Lewin (University of Idaho, United States)
Low-Income Household Livelihood Strategies: Food Stamp Access and Private Aid  
(abstract)  
Discussant: Karina Acosta Ordanez

17:45 Carlianne Patrick  (Georgia State University, United States)  
Heather Stephens  (West Virginia University, United States)  
Incentivizing the Missing Middle: The Role of Economic Development Policy  
(abstract)  
Discussant: Karina Acosta Ordanez

18:10 Peter Han  (USDA-ERS, United States)  
John Cromartie  (USDA-ERS, United States)  
Variations in Rental Cost-Burden in Rural America: Factor Decomposition  
(abstract)  
Discussant: J. Matthew Fannin

19:00-21:00 SRSA Executive Council Meeting and Dinner (By Invitation Only)  
LOCATION: Capital View

Friday, April 5th

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07:00-08:00 Continental Breakfast  
LOCATION: Francis Scott Key Ballroom

07:00-18:00 Registration Desk/Exhibits Open  
LOCATION: Francis Scott Key Ballroom

08:00-09:45 Session 3A: Leveraging the Census Bureau's Data Linkage Infrastructure for Evidence Building  
Organizer: Scott Boggess, U.S. Census Bureau  
CHAIR: Scott Boggess  (U.S. Census Bureau, United States)  
DISCUSSANT: Amy O'Hara  (Georgetown University, United States)  
LOCATION: Georgetown A

08:00 Kathryn McNamara  (U.S. Census Bureau, United States)  
Access to Innovation: The Census Data Linkage Infrastructure  
(abstract)

08:30 Tim Allen  (Federal Emergency Management Agency, United States)  
Meghan Toomey  (Federal Emergency Management Agency, United States)
Melissa Sedlacik (Federal Emergency Management Agency, United States)
The Relationship between Household Demographics and the Decision to Apply for FEMA Individual Assistance (abstract)

09:00 Todd Gardner (U.S. Census Bureau, United States)
Research Resources for the Census Longitudinal Infrastructure Project (abstract)

09:30 Joseph Ferrie (Northwestern University, United States)
Catherine Massey (University of Michigan, United States)
Jonathan Rothbaum (U.S. Census Bureau, United States)

Do Grandparents Matter? Multigenerational Mobility in the US, 1940-2015 (abstract)

08:00-09:45 Session 3B: Metropolitan I
CHAIR: Dan Rickman (Oklahoma State University, United States)
LOCATION: Georgetown B

08:00 Michael C.Y. Lin (Milken Institute, United States)
Economic Performance Over Time: A Principal Component Analysis on U.S. Metros (abstract)
Discussant: Xiaochen Zhang

08:25 Rebekka Aparidian (University of Toledo, United States)
Oleg Smirnov (University of Toledo, United States)
Defining the Urban Study Area for Mid-Sized Metropolitan Area (abstract)
Discussant: Luis Galvis

08:50 Luis Galvis (Banco de la República de Colombia, Colombia)
Gabriel Rodriguez (Universidad, Chile)
Sara Ovallos (Banco de la República de Colombia, Colombia)

Unemployment and Quality of Work Life in the Metropolitan Areas of Barranquilla, Cartagena and Santa Marta (abstract)
Discussant: Rebekka Aparidian

09:15 Xiaochen Zhang (Nanjing Audit University, China)
Mark Partridge (The Ohio State University, United States)

How Does the Age Structure Affect Local Economy in the US? (abstract)
Discussant: Michael C.Y. Lin
08:00-09:45  Session 3C: Regional/Spatial Aspects of the Opioid Crisis II

Organizer: Brian Cushing, West Virginia University

CHAIR:  David McGranahan  (USDA Economic Research Service, United States)
LOCATION:  Georgetown C

08:00  Mike Shepard  (The Ohio State University, United States)
Madeleine Drost  (The Ohio State University, United States)
Mike Betz  (The Ohio State University, United States)

Opioids, Marriage, and Economics: Is Marriage Behavior Decreasing Through the Opioid Epidemic?  (abstract)
Discussant:  Shishir Shakya

08:25  Collin Hodges  (West Virginia University, United States)
Heather Stephens  (West Virginia University, United States)

West Virginia Death Certificate Analysis: Coal Country and the Opioid Crisis  (abstract)
Discussant:  Samia Islam

08:50  David Peters  (Iowa State University, United States)
Shannon Monnat  (Syracuse University, United States)
Andrew Hochstetler  (Iowa State University, United States)

The Opioid Hydra: Identifying Opioid-Use Mortality Epidemics and Syndemics Across Space  (abstract)
Discussant:  Elham Erfanian

09:15  Brian Cushing  (West Virginia University, United States)
Elham Erfanian  (West Virginia University, United States)
Juan Tomas Sayago Gomez  (Icesi University, Colombia)

The Impact of Oil and Gas Development on Opioid Overdose Deaths in the U.S.  (abstract)
Discussant:  Brian Lego

08:00-09:45  Session 3D: Agricultural and Food Supply Chains and Food Manufacturing: Dynamics Under Changing Market and Policy Environments

Organizer: Sarah Low, University of Missouri

CHAIR:  Sarah Low  (University of Missouri, United States)
LOCATION:  Jefferson

08:00  Martha Bass  (University of Missouri, United States)
Sarah Low  (University of Missouri, United States)
Dawn Thilmany (Colorado State University, United States)
Marcelo Castillo (USDA Economic Research Service, United States)

The Geography of Foodies: Exploring the Influence of Place-Based Factors on the Relocalization and Employment Dynamics of Food Manufacturing Establishments (abstract)
Discussant: Jeff O'Hara

08:25 Jeff O'Hara (USDA Ag Marketing Service, United States)
Dawn Thilmany (Colorado State University, United States)
Marcelo Castillo (USDA Economic Research Service, United States)
Do Cottage Food Laws Reduce Barriers to Entry for Food Manufacturers (abstract)
Discussant: Martha Bass

08:50 Dawn Thilmany (Colorado State University, United States)
Becca Jablonski (Colorado State University, United States)
Identifying and Framing Tradeoffs among Food System Interventions in Colorado (abstract)
Discussant: Sarah Low

08:00-09:45 Session 3E: Resilience
CHAIR: Christa Court (University of Florida, United States)
LOCATION: Washington

08:00 Brianne Firth (West Virginia University, United States)
Alan Collins (West Virginia University, United States)
Stephan Goetz (The Pennsylvania State University, United States)
The Influence of ARC Funding on Regional Economic Resilience in Appalachia (abstract)
Discussant: Sultana Fouzia

08:25 Timothy Slaper (Indiana Business Research Center, United States)
The True, the False and the Ugly: Rethinking Measures of Resilience in Light of U.S. Regional Experiences (abstract)
Discussant: Samuel Bell

08:50 Sultana Fouzia (Oregon State University, United States)
Jianhong Mu (Texas A&M University, United States)
Yong Chen (Oregon State University, United States)
Discussant: Brianne Firth

09:15
Samuel Bell (Oregon State University, United States)
Mallory Rahe (Oregon State University, United States)
Paul Lewin (University of Idaho, United States)

Effects of Trade Patterns on County Economic Resilience (abstract)
Discussant: Timothy Slaper

08:00-09:45 Session 3F: Inequality I
CHAIR: Mallory Rahe (Oregon State University, United States)
LOCATION: Monroe
08:00 Oudom Hean (The Ohio State University, United States)
Nattanicha Chairassamee (The Ohio State University, United States)
Mark Partridge (The Ohio State University, United States)

Migration, Education and Technology-Induced Urban Inequality: Evidence From U.S. Patents (abstract)
Discussant: Jacob Manlove
08:25 Jacob Manlove (Tarleton State University, United States)
Assessing the Need for a Measure of Broadband Adoption Inequality (abstract)
Discussant: Rafael González-Val
08:50 Alfonso Diez-Minguela (University of Valencia, Spain)
Rafael González-Val (Universidad de Zaragoza & IEB, Spain)
Julio Martinez-Galarraga (University of Valencia, Spain)
M. Teresa Sanchis (University of Valencia, Spain)
Daniel A. Tirado (University of Valencia, Spain)

The Long-Term Relationship Between Economic Development and Regional Inequality: South-West Europe, 1860-2010 (abstract)
Discussant: Oudom Hean

09:45-10:15 Break
LOCATION: Francis Scott Key Ballroom
10:15-12:00 Session 4A: Regional Research at the Bureau of Economic Analysis - Data and Applications II
Organizers: Kyle Hood and Christian Awuku-Budu, Bureau of Economic Analysis
CHAIR: Kyle Hood (Bureau of Economic Analysis, United States)
LOCATION: Georgetown A
10:15 Sharon Panek (Bureau of Economic Analysis, United States)
Frank Baumgardner (Bureau of Economic Analysis, United States)
Ralph Rodriguez (Bureau of Economic Analysis, United States)
Gross Domestic Product by County Statistics: A Project Update
(abstract)
Discussant: Michael Lahr

10:40 Marina Giondelsky (Bureau of Economic Analysis, United States)
Jeremy Moulton (The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, United States)
Scott Wentland (Bureau of Economic Analysis, United States)
Valuing Housing Services in the Era of Big Data: A User Cost Approach Leveraging Zillow Microdata (abstract)
Discussant: Michael Hicks

11:05 Ryan Greenaway-McGrevy (The University of Auckland, New Zealand)
Kyle Hood (Bureau of Economic Analysis, United States)
Persistent Shocks and Incomplete Regional Adjustment: A Model Averaging Approach (abstract)
Discussant: Santiago Pinto

10:15-12:00 Session 4B: Labor Market I
CHAIR: Allison Forbes (Center for Regional Economic Competitiveness, United States)
LOCATION: Georgetown B

10:15 Philip Watson (Univerisity of Idaho, United States)
Liang Lu (Univerisity of Idaho, United States)
Good Job; Bad Job: Decomposing Regional Wage Differences Into Within and Across Sector Components (abstract)
Discussant: Nattanicha Chairassamee

10:40 Nattanicha Chairassamee (The Ohio State University, United States)
Oudom Hean (The Ohio State University, United States)
Impacts of Offshoring on Local Labor Market in the United States (abstract)
Discussant: Philip Watson

11:05 Annie Lee (Rutgers University, United States)
US Interregional Migration With Information From Discrete Regions (abstract)
Discussant: Brian Osoba

11:30 Brian Osoba (Central Connecticut State University, United States)
Religion, Risk Preferences, and Regional Occupational Concentrations (abstract)
Discussant: Annie Lee

10:15-12:00  Session 4C: Housing I

CHAIR: Amanda Ross  (University of Alabama, United States)

LOCATION: Georgetown C

10:15  Susane Leguizamon  (Western Kentucky University, United States)
       David Christafore  (Temple University, United States)
       The Influence of Land Use Regulation on Gentrification  (abstract)
       Discussant: George Akpandjar

10:40  George Akpandjar  (Wells Fargo & Company, United States)
       Conrad Yelsong  (Delta State University, United States)
       A Survival Analysis of the Effect of Homeownership on Unemployment Spell: Evidence From US Data  (abstract)
       Discussant: Rafael González-Val

11:05  Rafael González-Val  (Universidad de Zaragoza & IEB, Spain)
       Miriam Marcén  (Universidad, Spain)
       The Effect of the 2012 Spanish Law Reform to Protect Mortgage Debtors on Regional Foreclosures and Mortgage Loans  (abstract)
       Discussant: Susane Leguizamon

10:15-12:00  Session 4D: Economic Impact

CHAIR: Peter Jarosi  (West Virginia University, United States)

LOCATION: Jefferson

10:15  Leah English  (University of Arkansas, United States)
       Jennie Popp  (University of Arkansas, United States)
       Wayne Miller  (University of Arkansas, United States)
       Matthew Pelkki  (University of Arkansas at Monticello, United States)
       Trends in the Contribution of Agriculture to the Arkansas Economy  (abstract)
       Discussant: Caleb Stair

10:40  Caleb Stair  (University of Florida, United States)
       Christa Court  (University of Florida, United States)
       An Instigator of Economic Activity: The American Alligator’s Economic Contributions in Florida  (abstract)
       Discussant: Leah English

11:05  Mallory Rahe  (Oregon State University, United States)
       Amy Hause  (Rural Development Initiatives, United States)
       Building Rural Wealth Through a Value Chain Approach  (abstract)
Discussant: **Melody Muldrow**

**11:30**  
**Melody Muldrow** (University of Arkansas at Little Rock, United States)  
**Malcolm Glover** (Webster University, United States)  
**Economic Growth Beyond Borders: An Analysis of Rural Transformation From Villages in Uganda to the Black Belt in the United States** *(abstract)*  
Discussant: **Mallory Rahe**

**10:15-12:00**  
**Session 4E: Environment/Sustainability I**  
**CHAIR:** **Mindy Crandall** (University of Maine, United States)  
**LOCATION:** **Washington**

**10:15**  
**Shourish Chakravarty** (University of Florida, United States)  
**Workfare Programs and Household Fuel Usage** *(abstract)*  
Discussant: **Jordan Strater**

**10:40**  
**Jordan Strater** (University of New Hampshire, United States)  
**John Halstead** (University of New Hampshire, United States)  
**Michael Durfor** (Northeast Resource Recovery Association, United States)  
**Potential Solutions for a Recycling Crisis: The Case of Mixed Paper** *(abstract)*  
Discussant: **Shourish Chakravarty**

**11:05**  
**Hiroyuki Shibusawa** (Toyohashi University of Technology, Japan)  
**Evaluating the Economic Impacts of Environmentally Friendly Vehicles: Input–Output Approach** *(abstract)*  
Discussant: **Kamran Zendehdel**

**11:30**  
**Kamran Zendehdel** (University of the District of Columbia, United States)  
**The Educational and Behavioral Impacts of UDC Campus Sustainability Projects on Students** *(abstract)*  
Discussant: **Hiroyuki Shibusawa**

**10:15-12:00**  
**Session 4F: Topics in Regional Science**  
**CHAIR:** **Peter Schaeffer** (West Virginia University, United States)  
**LOCATION:** **Monroe**

**10:15**  
**Kevin Willardsen** (Wright State University, United States)  
**Underestimating Your Neighbors: Reconsidering Tiebout in Municipal Expenditure Spillovers** *(abstract)*  
Discussant: **Anqi Xu**

10:40
Anqi Xu  (University of Louisville, United States)
Haifeng Zhang  (University of Louisville, United States)
Matthew Ruther  (University of Louisville, United States)

**A Spatial Analysis of the Impact of Foreign-Born Population on Home Values and Native Flight in Louisville, Kentucky** (abstract)
Discussant: Peter Schaeffer

11:05 Peter Schaeffer  (West Virginia University, United States)
**Implications of the Tinbergen Principle** (abstract)
Discussant: Kevin Willardsen

12:15-13:45  Luncheon - Awards Ceremony - SRSA Fellows Address (Michael Lahr, Rutgers University)

LOCATION:  Capital View

14:00-15:45  Session 5A: Regional Research at the Bureau of Economic Analysis - Data and Applications III
Organizers: Kyle Hood and Christian Awuku-Budu, Bureau of Economic Analysis

CHAIR:  Mahsa Gholizadeh  (Bureau of Economic Analysis, United States)
LOCATION:  Georgetown A

14:00 Thomas Anderson  (Bureau of Economic Analysis, United States)
**Metropolitan Area Location Choice by Foreign Direct Investors in the United States** (abstract)
Discussant: Anil Rupasingha

14:25 Gary Cornwall  (Bureau of Economic Analysis, United States)
Beau Sauley  (University of Cincinnati, United States)
**Regression Discontinuity in Spatial Models** (abstract)
Discussant: James LeSage

14:50 Mahsa Gholizadeh  (Bureau of Economic Analysis, United States)
**Experimental Sub-State Estimates of Personal Consumption Expenditures** (abstract)
Discussant: Randy Jackson

14:00-15:45  Session 5B: Modeling Trade Flows
CHAIR:  Liesl Eathington  (Iowa State University, United States)
LOCATION:  Georgetown B

14:00 Michael Lahr  (Rutgers University, United States)
Joao Ferreira  (Rutgers University, United States)
Discussant: Xueting Zhao
14:25 Xueting Zhao (IMPLAN Group LLC, United States)
James Squibb (IMPLAN Group LLC, United States)
Modelling Inter-Regional Trade Flows: A New Method Based on Generalized Radiation Model and Multi-Regional GRAS Technique (abstract)
Discussant: Da Fei
14:50 Liesl Eathington (Iowa State University, United States)
The Gaps in Retail Gap Analysis (abstract)
Discussant: Joao Ferreira
15:15 Da Fei (Rutgers University, United States)
Discussant: Liesl Eathington
14:00-15:45 Session 5C: Gender Analysis I
CHAIR: Emily Wornell (Ball State University, United States)
LOCATION: Georgetown C
14:00 Annie Lee (Rutgers University, United States)
The Dual-Earner Households and Gender Differences in Commuting Time (abstract)
Discussant: Heather Stephens
14:25 Heather Stephens (West Virginia University, United States)
Sisi Zhang (Jinan University, China)
Measuring the Impact of Spouse's Employment Risk on Women's Self-Employment (abstract)
Discussant: J. Sebastian Leguizamon
14:50 J. Sebastian Leguizamon (Western Kentucky University, United States)
Jonathan Darnell (Universitat Rovira i Virgili, Spain)
The Effect of ACA's Medicaid Expansions on Pregnancies Among Poor, Single Women (abstract)
Discussant: Annie Lee
14:00-15:45 Session 5D: Poverty, Conflict, and Higher Education
Session in Honor of Brian Cushing
Organizer: Frank Goetzke, University of Louisville
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CHAIR: Christa Court (University of Florida, United States)
LOCATION: Jefferson

14:00 Buhong Zheng (University of Colorado-Denver, United States)
Stochastic Dominance and Decomposable Inequality and Poverty Measures (abstract)
Discussant: Zheng Tian

14:25 Juan Tomas Sayago Gomez (Universidad Icesi, Colombia)
Recruitment of Children in Colombian Municipalities an Spatial Probit Approach (abstract)
Discussant: Buhong Zheng

14:50 Zheng Tian (The Pennsylvania State University, United States)
Stephan Goetz (The Pennsylvania State University, United States)
The Effect of Federal and State Funding on College Students’ Earnings: A Multilevel Modeling (abstract)
Discussant: Juan Tomas Sayago Gomez

14:00-15:45 Session 5E: Disasters
CHAIR: Paul Lewin (University of Idaho, United States)
LOCATION: Washington

14:00 Meri Davlasheridze (Texas A&M University at Galveston, United States)
Stephan Goetz (The Pennsylvania State University, United States)
The Persistent Effects of Natural Disasters on Opioid Deaths (abstract)
Discussant: Paul Lewin

14:25 Lathania Butler (Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company, United States)
Robert Greenbaum (The Ohio State University, United States)
Fiscal Impacts of Natural Disasters on Local Government Budgets (abstract)
Discussant: Meri Davlasheridze

14:50 Meri Davlasheridze (Texas A&M University at Galveston, United States)
Qing Miao (Rochester Institute of Technology, United States)
Natural Disasters, Public Housing, and the Role of Disaster Aid (abstract)
Discussant: Robert Greenbaum

15:45-16:15 Break

LOCATION: Francis Scott Key Ballroom
16:15-18:00  Session 6A: Recent and Forthcoming IMPLAN Developments
CHAIR:  Jenny Thorvaldson  (IMPLAN, United States)
LOCATION:  Georgetown A
16:15 Jenny Thorvaldson  (IMPLAN, United States)
Mark Taylor  (IMPLAN, United States)
Xueting Zhao  (IMPLAN, United States)
Recent and Forthcoming IMPLAN Data Developments  (abstract)

16:15-18:00  Session 6B: Labor Market II
CHAIR:  Philip Watson  (University of Idaho, United States)
LOCATION:  Georgetown B
16:15 Andrew Crawley  (University of Maine, United States)
Sarah Welch  (University of Maine, United States)
How Do Economic Cycles Effect State Level Labor Matching Efficiencies?  (abstract)
Discussant:  Christopher Blake
16:40 William Prieto  (Universidad, Colombia)
Johanna Manrique  (Universidad, Colombia)
Quality in Labor Market Indices in a Region’s Peripheria as Projection of a Region’s Pole. The Case of Bogota and Two Nearby Provinces  (abstract)
Discussant:  Philip Watson
17:10 Christopher Blake  (Oxford College of Emory University, United States)
Daniel Walter  (Oxford College of Emory University, United States)
Heritage Language Labor Market Returns: The Importance of Speaker Density at the State-Level  (abstract)
Discussant:  Brian Sloboda
17:35 Brian Sloboda  (University of Phoenix and Dept Labor, United States)
Norris Krueger  (University of Phoenix, United States)
Startup Fever: Vancouver, British Columbia Becomes Hot Spot for Entrepreneurs  (abstract)
Discussant:  Sarah Welch

16:15-18:00  Session 6C: Gender Analysis II
CHAIR:  Judy Stallmann  (University of Missouri, United States)
LOCATION:  Georgetown C
16:15 Ye Yao  (Rutgers University, China)
Factors Driving Regional Labor Force Participation Diversity Between Women in Chinese and Other Asian Communities in the U.S. (abstract)
Discussant: Amanda Weinstein

16:40 Amanda Weinstein (University of Akron, United States)
C. Lockwood Reynolds (Kent State University, United States)
What Women Want: Gender Differences in the Quality of Life and Preferences for Location-Specific Amenities Across Cities (abstract)
Discussant: Bonnie Bounds

17:05 Bonnie Bounds (The Ohio State University, United States)
Bachelor’s Degrees and Bachelorettes: Examining Gender (Im)balance in Higher Educational Attainment Across US Counties (abstract)
Discussant: Andrew Crawley

17:30 Andrew Crawley (University of Maine, United States)
Angela Hallowell (University of Maine, United States)
Assessing Gender Differences in the Opportunity Cost of Self-Employment Rates (abstract)
Discussant: Ye Yao

16:15-18:00 Session 6D: Transportation, Mobility and Urban Economics
(Session in Honor of Brian Cushing)
Organizer: Frank Goetzke, University of Louisville
CHAIR: Samia Islam (Boise State University, United States)
LOCATION: Jefferson

16:15 Santiago Pinto (Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, United States)
Urban Transportation and Inter-Jurisdictional Competition (abstract)
Discussant: Robert Dunn

16:40 Robert Dunn (Washington & Jefferson College, United States)
Mobility, Race, and Commute Time in the Pittsburgh Metropolitan Area (abstract)
Discussant: Frank Goetzke

17:05 Frank Goetzke (University of Louisville, United States)
Waldemar Marz (Ifo Institute of Economic Research, Germany)
Some Empirical Support for the Monocentric City Model (abstract)
Discussant: Santiago Pinto

18:00-19:00 Session 7: Undergraduate Poster Session
CHAIR: *Heather Stephens* (West Virginia University, United States)
LOCATION:  *Capital View*

18:00 *Holly Elisabeth Bossart* (Boise State University, United States)
The Impact of Job Insecurity on Mental Wellbeing in the United States (abstract)

18:00 *Dennis Carriere* (Louisiana State University, United States)
Leaving or Staying: Implications of Migration on Intergenerational Mobility in the United States (abstract)

18:00 *Luke Clahane* (Washington and Jefferson College, United States)
Determinants of Performance in a Specialized Workplace: Evidence From Professional Soccer (abstract)

18:00 *Abigail Eich* (Washington and Jefferson College, United States)
The Effect of Pharmaceutical Expenditures on Life Expectancy (abstract)

18:00 *Tatianna Evanisko* (West Virginia University, United States)
The Impacts of Policies and Investments on the Transition to Renewable Energy (abstract)

18:00 *Cian Kelly* (Washington and Jefferson College, United States)
Economic and Financial Indicators to Predict Recovery Out of Recessions (abstract)

18:00 *Joseph Ellis LaHaye* (Louisiana State University, United States)
Commuting Error: Traversing Thresholds to Improve Rural and Urban Area Definitions (abstract)

18:00 *Christopher Martinez* (Weber State University, United States)
Marriage, Parenthood, and the Gender Wage Gap: A Utah Case Study (abstract)

18:00 *Sebastian Martinez* (Universidad_Icesi, Colombia)
Isabella Valencia (Universidad_Icesi, Colombia)
Public Policy and Crime: Improving Quality and Quantity of Nightlights and Effect on Crime (abstract)

18:00 *Maya Nilkant* (Washington and Jefferson College, United States)
An Economic Analysis of Medicaid Eligibility Expansions and Their Effect on Teenage Fertility in the United States From 1990 - 2016 (abstract)

18:00 *Skyler Schneekloth* (Iowa State University, United States)
Measuring Farm Size, 1959-2012 (abstract)
18:00 **Isabella Valencia** (Universidad_Icesi, Colombia)
Domestic Violence in Colombia (abstract)

18:00 **Nathan Williamson** (Louisiana Tech University, United States)
Percent Change in Farm Operation Sizes of the Southern United States: 2002-2012 (abstract)

18:00 **Kylie Wilson** (Weber State University, United States)
The Economic Impact of Refugee Resettlement on Host Cities (abstract)

19:00-21:00 General Reception
LOCATION: Capital View

Saturday, April 6th

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07:00-08:00 Continental Breakfast
LOCATION: Francis Scott Key Ballroom

07:00-08:00 Review of Regional Studies Editorial Board Meeting (Invitation Only)
LOCATION: Capital View

07:30-12:00 Registration Desk/Exhibits Open
LOCATION: Francis Scott Key Ballroom

08:00-09:45 Session 8A: Quasi-Experimental Applications
CHAIR: **John Pender** (USDA Economic Research Service, United States)
LOCATION: Georgetown A

08:00 **Thomas Krumel** (University of Connecticut, United States)
Residential Homophily in Rural Minnesota Meatpacking Communities (abstract)
Discussant: **Tyler Morin**

08:25 **Tyler Morin** (The Ohio State University, United States)
The Economic Impact of Small Regional Commissions: Evidence From the Delta Regional Authority (abstract)
Discussant: **Kichan Kim**

08:50 **Kichan Kim** (The Ohio State University, United States)
The Impact of Refugees on the Housing Market in Receiving Countries: Quasi-Experimental Evidence From Mariel Boatlift (abstract)
Discussant: Bijeta Bijen Saha
09:15
Bijeta Bijen Saha (University of Florida, United States)
Christa Court (University of Florida, United States)
Conner Mullally (University of Florida, United States)
How Do Landfills Impact Surrounding Property Values? (abstract)
Discussant: Thomas Krumel

08:00-09:45 Session 8B: Inequality II
CHAIR: Cynthia Rogers (University of Oklahoma, United States)
LOCATION: Georgetown B
08:00 Yun Zhuang (Jimei University, China)
The Analysis of the Disparity of Regional Economic Inequality in China Based on the Theil Index (abstract)
Discussant: John Connaughton
08:25 John Connaughton (UNC Charlotte, United States)
Caroline Swartz (UNC Charlotte, United States)
PCPI Trends (abstract)
Discussant: Elizabeth Dobis
08:50 Elizabeth Dobis (Pennsylvania State University, NERCRD, United States)
Stephan Goetz (Pennsylvania State University, NERCRD, United States)
Mark Skidmore (Michigan State University, NCRCRD, United States)
Heather Stephens (West Virginia University, United States)
American Life Expectancy: Geographic Inequality and Community Interaction (abstract)
Discussant: Yun Zhuang

08:00-09:45 Session 8C: Regional/Spatial Aspects of the Opioid Crisis III
Organizer: Brian Cushing, West Virginia University
CHAIR: Juan Tomas Sayago Gomez (Icesi University, Colombia)
LOCATION: Georgetown C
08:00 Devon Meadowcroft (Oklahoma State University, United States)
Brian Whitacre (Oklahoma State University, United States)
Do Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs Encourage Illicit Opioid Abuse? (abstract)
08:25 Shishir Shakya (West Virginia University, United States)
Discussant: Zheng Tian

08:50 Elham Erfanian (West Virginia University, United States)
Randall Jackson (West Virginia University, United States)
Shree Baba Pokharel (Joint Committee on Government and Finance, West Virginia Legislature, United States)
Regional Impacts of Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs (PDMPs) on U.S. Drug Overdose Deaths (abstract)
Discussant: Julie Marshall

08:00-09:45 Session 8D: Rural Broadband and Business Development for Underserved Populations
Organizers: Tessa Conroy and Steve Deller, University of Wisconsin

NE1749 Multi-State Project Session

CHAIR: Tessa Conroy (University of Wisconsin-Madison, United States)
LOCATION: Jefferson

08:00 Tessa Conroy (University of Wisconsin-Madison, United States)
Sarah Low (University of Missouri, United States)
Rural Broadband: The Connection to Entrepreneurship by Business Size and Gender (abstract)
Discussant: John Mann

08:25 John Mann (Michigan State University, United States)
Elizabeth Mack (Michigan State University, United States)
Scott Loveridge (Michigan State University, United States)
Influence of Broadband on the Native American Economy (abstract)
Discussant: Sarah Low

08:50 Elizabeth Mack (Michigan State University, United States)
John Mann (Michigan State University, United States)
Scott Loveridge (Michigan State University, United States)
Data Fusion Techniques for Spatio-Temporal Evaluations of Broadband Availability in Underserved Areas (abstract)
Discussant: Steve Deller

09:15 Steve Deller (University of Wisconsin-Madison, United States)
Brian Whitacre (Oklahoma State University, United States)
Tessa Conroy (University of Wisconsin-Madison, United States)
Broadband Speed and Business Startup Rates (abstract)
Discussant: Elizabeth Mack

08:00-09:45 Session 8E: Environment/Sustainability II
CHAIR: Nyakundi Michieka (California State University, Bakersfiel, United States)
LOCATION: Washington

08:00 Christa Court (University of Florida, United States)
Spiro Stefanou (University of Florida, United States)
Plastic Predicament: Regional Analysis of the Use and Disposal of LDPE Plastic in Agriculture (abstract)
Discussant: Eric Bowen

08:25 Nyakundi Michieka (California State University, Bakersfield, United States)
Noha H. A. Razek (Emirates Center for Strategic Studies and Research (ECSSR), UAE)
Richard Gearhart (California State University, Bakersfield, United States)
Exploring the Relationship Between Energy Consumption, Carbon Emissions and Economic Growth in Ethiopia (abstract)
Discussant: Christa Court

08:50 Eric Bowen (West Virginia University, United States)
The Effect of State Net Metering Policy Design on Distributed Solar PV Adoption (abstract)
Discussant: Amit Batabyal

09:15 Shiqi Xing (Rochester Institute of Technol, United States)
Amit Batabyal (Rochester Institute of Technol, United States)
A Safe Minimum Standard, and Elasticity of Substitution, and the Cleanup of the Ganges in Varanasi (abstract)
Discussant: Nyakundi Michieka

09:45-10:15 Break
LOCATION: Francis Scott Key Ballroom

10:15-12:00 Session 9A: Metropolitan II
CHAIR: Amit Batabyal (Rochester Institute of Technology, United States)
LOCATION: Georgetown A

10:15 Rosa Hyun Kyong Lee (George Washington University, United States)
Middle Class Economics and Regional Economic Performance: Let the U.S. Metro-Level Data Speak (abstract)
10:40  
Discussant: **Oudom Hean**  
The Ohio State University, United States  
The Effect of Metropolitan Technological Progress on the Nonmetropolitan Labor Market: Evidence From U.S. Patent Counts  
(abstract)  
Discussant: **Rosa Hyun Kyong Lee**  
11:05  
Discussant: **Amit Batabyal**  
Rochester Institute of Technology, United States  
Hamid Beladi  
(UTSA, United States)  
Preference Matching, Income, and Population Distribution in Urban and Adjacent Rural Regions  
(abstract)  
Discussant: **Santiago Pinto**  
10:15-12:00  
Session 9B: Spatial Statistical Applications  
CHAIR: **Brid Hanna**  
Rochester Institute of Technology, United States  
LOCATION:  
Georgetown B  
10:15  
Discussant: **Rebekka Apardian**  
University of Toledo, United States  
Alam Bhuiyan  
(University of Toledo, United States)  
Exploring Spatial Patterns of Pedestrian Crash Fatalities in Ohio  
(abstract)  
Discussant: **Brid Hanna**  
10:40  
Discussant: **Brid Hanna**  
Rochester Institute of Technology, United States  
Estimating the Relationship Between Guns and Crime Using New Data  
(abstract)  
Discussant: **Leslie Dunn**  
11:05  
Discussant: ** Leslie Dunn**  
Washington & Jefferson College, United States  
The Convergence of Small Island Economies: The Role of Trade  
(abstract)  
Discussant: **Rebekka Apardian**  
10:15-12:00  
Session 9D: Agriculture and Rural  
CHAIR: **Dayton Lambert**  
Oklahoma State University, United States  
LOCATION:  
Jefferson  
10:15  
Discussant: **Jeffrey O'hara**  
U.S.Department of Agriculture - Agricultural Marketing Service, United States  
Sarah Low  
(University of Missouri, United States)  
Has Broadband Availability ‘Flattened’ Direct Marketing Opportunities for Rural Farms? An Examination of Online Marketplaces  
(abstract)  
Discussant: **Samuel Taylor**
10:40  **Samuel Taylor** (West Virginia University, United States)  
**Heather Stephens** (West Virginia University, United States)  
**Daniel Grossman** (West Virginia University, United States)  
**Contribution of Overdose Death and Economic Distress to Rural Out-Migration** (abstract)  
Discussant: **Scott Lemos**

11:05 **Scott Lemos** (University of New Hampshire, United States)  
**The Effects of Experience on Attribute Non-Attendance: Evidence From a Choice Experiment for a Market Good** (abstract)  
Discussant: **Dayton Lambert**

10:15-12:00  Session 9E: Public Policy  
**CHAIR:** **Frank Hefner** (College, United States)  
**LOCATION:** **Washington**

10:15  **Tuyen Pham** (West Virginia University, United States)  
**Shishir Shakya** (West Virginia University, United States)  
**California Proposition 8: Voters Reject the "Fair Pricing for Dialysis Act"** (abstract)  
Discussant: **Miriam Marcén**

10:40  **Rafael González-Val** (Universidad de Zaragoza & IEB, Spain)  
**Miriam Marcén** (Universidad de Zaragoza, Spain)  
**Do Spaniards Vote With Their Feet? The Case of the Spanish Inheritance Tax** (abstract)  
Discussant: **Carsten Ochsen**

11:05  **Carsten Ochsen** (University of Applied Labour Studies, Germany)  
**The Contribution of Age and Education for Unemployment Dynamics in Germany** (abstract)  
Discussant: **Tuyen Pham**

12:15-13:30  Luncheon - Business Meeting - Presidential Address (Sarah Low, University of Missouri)  
**LOCATION:** **Capital View**

13:30-15:15  Session 10A: Arts and Culture  
**Organizer:** Thomas Johnson, University of Missouri  
**CHAIR:** **Thomas Johnson** (University of Missouri, United States)  
**LOCATION:** **Georgetown A**

13:30
**What's Art Got to Do With It: Do Creative Hobbies Make STEM Workers More Inventive?**

**Discussant:** Thomas Johnson

13:55

**Rural Arts and Culture Through the Lens of the Comprehensive Wealth Framework**

**Discussant:** Amit Batabyal

14:20

**Using Local Public Goods to Attract and Retain the Creative Class: A Tale of Two Cities**

**Discussant:** Tim Wojan

13:30-15:15  
**Session 10B: Spatial Statistical Methods**

**CHAIR:** James LeSage (Texas State University, United States)

**LOCATION:** Georgetown B

13:30

**Estimation of a Social Interaction Model With Endogenous Network Formation**

**Discussant:** James LeSage

13:55

**Bayesian Model Comparison for Space-Time Dynamic Panel Models**

**Discussant:** Oleg Smirnov

14:20

**On the Importance of Good Measurement: Does Moran's I Measure Spatial Dependence?**
14:45  James LeSage  (Texas State University, United States)
Yao-Yu Chih  (Texas State University, United States)
Colin Vance  (RWI Leibniz Institute for Economic Research and Jacobs University Bremen, Germany)
**Markov Chain Monte Carlo Estimation of Spatial Dynamic Panel Models for Large Samples**  
(abstract)
Discussant:  Olivier Parent

13:30-15:15  Session 10C: Housing II
CHAIR:  Doug Woodward  (University of South Carolina, United States)
LOCATION:  Georgetown C

13:30  Michael Hicks  (Ball State University, United States)
**Asymmetry in Growth and Decline: Multipliers, Housing Prices and Rustbelt Decline**  
(abstract)
Discussant:  Tyler Morin

13:55  Tyler Morin  (The Ohio State University, United States)
**Rural Affordable Housing Issues in the United States**  
(abstract)
Discussant:  Doug Woodward

14:20  Doug Woodward  (University of South Carolina, United States)
Joseph Von Nessen  (University of South Carolina, United States)
Paulo Guimaraes  (European Central Bank, Portugal)
Marian Manic  (Whitman College, United States)
**Neighborhood Identity and Housing Prices**  
(abstract)
Discussant:  Zachary Keeler

14:45  Zachary Keeler  (West Virginia University, United States)
Heather Stephens  (West Virginia University, United States)
**The Capitalization of Metro Rail Access in Urban Housing Markets**  
(abstract)
Discussant:  Michael Hicks

13:30-15:15  Session 10D: Education
CHAIR:  Steve Deller  (University of Wisconsin-Madison, United States)
LOCATION:  Jefferson

13:30  Nattanicha Chairassamee  (The Ohio State University, United States)
**Out-of-State Enrollments in Public Universities: Crowd-Out or Cross-Subsidize Residents?**  
(abstract)
Discussant:  Amanda Ross
13:55 Amanda Ross (University of Alabama, United States)  
Erik Johnson (University of Alabama, United States)  
Michael Finnegan (Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, United States)  
Laura Razzolini (University of Alabama, United States)  
A Second Stand in the Schoolhouse Door: Are Public Schools Resegregating? (abstract)  
Discussant: Amir Ferreira Neto

14:20 Amir Ferreira Neto (West Virginia University, United States)  
Do Public Libraries Impact Local Labor Markets? Evidence From Appalachia (abstract)  
Discussant: Nattanicha Chairassamee

13:30-15:15  Session 10E: Health  
CHAIR: Mark Burkey (North Carolina A&T State University, United States)  
LOCATION: Washington

13:30 Paige McKibben (University of New Hampshire, United States)  
Scott Lemos (University of New Hampshire, United States)  
John Halstead (University of New Hampshire, United States)  
Robert Mohr (University of New Hampshire, United States)  
Robert Woodward (University of New Hampshire, United States)  
Paul Susca (New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, United States)  
Community Economic Impacts of Lowering the Drinking Water Standard for Arsenic in New Hampshire Municipal Water Supplies (abstract)  
Discussant: Julie Marshall

13:55 Julie Marshall (Appalachian Regional Commission, United States)  
Logan Thomas (Appalachian Regional Commission, United States)  
The Impact of Social Capital on Health Outcomes in the Appalachian Region (abstract)  
Discussant: Mark Burkey

14:20 Mark Burkey (North Carolina A&T State University, United States)  
Regional Accessibility to Abortion Providers (abstract)  
Discussant: John Halstead