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- Discussants should prepare 5 minutes of remarks: this allows 5 minutes for questions and comments from others. Session chairs and presenters should arrive 5-10 minutes early for audio/visual preparation.
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52ND SRSA ANNUAL MEETINGS: PROGRAM

THURSDAY, APRIL 4

9 AM–12 PM
NE-1049 MULTI-STATE PROJECT MEETING
(invitation only)
(Washington Room)
Session Organizer: Todd Gabe

3 PM-5 PM

T1.1: SPATIAL ECONOMETRICS I
(Georgetown Salon A)
Chair: Donald Lacombe

A Semiparametric Analysis of the Spatial Structure of Farmland Values
Haoying Wang

Using Bayesian Posterior Model Probabilities to Identify the Spatial Weight Matrix in the Spatial Lag of X (SLX) Model
Donald Lacombe

Using Bayesian Posterior Model Probabilities to Identify Omitted Variables in Spatial Regression Models
Donald J. Lacombe & James P. LeSage

Discussants:
James P. Lesage
Mark L. Burkey
Olivier Parent

T1.2: STATE ECONOMIC CONDITIONS
(Georgetown Salon B)
Chair: John E. Connaughton

Downside Threats and Upside Potential: The 2013 South Carolina Economic Outlook
Joseph Von Nessen

Four Decades of Regional Data: What Do We Know?
John E Connaughton & Carol Swartz

New Jersey: Will the Economy Continue to Grow Slowly?
Nancy H Mantell

Measuring Trends in Entrepreneurship with the BLS Business Employment Dynamics
Carol Leming

Discussants:
Warren Kriesel
Santiago Pinto
Stephan Goetz
Matthew Fannin

T1.3: FISCAL & REGULATORY POLICY
(Georgetown Salon C)
Chair: Anthony Yezer

Dynamic Fiscal, Economic, and Demographic Impact of Medicaid Expansion in North Carolina
Scott Nystrom

Spatial Allocation Policy of Public Investment in Japan
Mitsuhiko Kataoka

How Complex Is the Competition in Regulated Pharmaceutical Markets?
Berna Colak, Aysegul Timur, & Andrei Barbos

Discussants:
María Teresa Álvarez-Martínez
Shaoming Cheng
Scott Nystrom

THURSDAY APRIL 4, 6:30-9:00 PM
SRSA Council Meeting (invitation only)
(Capital View Salon 3)
FRIDAY, APRIL 5

8:30-9:30 AM
KEYNOTE ADDRESS
(Potomac A&B)

"THE NATIONAL CLIMATE ASSESSMENT: PREPARING FOR A CHANGE"

Kathy Jacobs, U.S. Whitehouse Assistant Director for Climate Assessment and Adaptation

9:45 -11:15 AM

F1.1: COMMUNITY RESILIENCE
(Georgetown Salon A)
Track Director & Session Organizer: Todd Gabe (NE1049)
Chair: Warren Kreisel

An Analysis of Resilience Behaviors in Response to Water Utility Disruptions
Sara Alva-Lizarraga, Thomas G Johnson, & Colleen M Heflin

A Hedonic Price Model for Hurricane Damage Reduction
Warren Kriesel & Ajita Atreya

Tax Base Erosion and Inequity from Michigan’s Assessment Growth Limit: The Case of Detroit
Timothy R. Hodge, Mark Skidmore, Gary Sands, & Daniel McMillen

Discussants:
Todd Gabe
Clifford Lipscomb
Michael J. Hicks

F1.2: REGIONAL GROWTH: DIVERSITY & SPILLOVERS
(Georgetown Salon B)
Session Organizer: Todd Gabe
Chair: Richard Cebula

Recession Skills
Amanda L Weinstein

Per Capita Regional Real Economic Growth: Preliminary Study of Causal Factors
Richard J. Cebula

Metaphors of Regional Policy: Global City Engines of Growth versus a Place-based Garden of Prosperity
Timothy R. Wojan
Discussants:
David McGranahan
Carol Robbins
Charlotta Mellander

F1.3: MIGRATION/LABOR MARKETS I –
CURRENT TOPICS IN INTERNAL
MIGRATION RESEARCH
(Georgetown Salon C)
Session Organizer & Chair: Brian Cushing

Residential Mobility, Family Relationships, and Spatial Distance
Olivier Parent & Nicolas Williams

The Impact of Origin Location on the Economic Returns to Migration
Thomas A. Knapp, Nancy E. White, & Amy M. Wolaver

Attracting Quality Elderly Migrants
Christiadi & Brian Cushing

Discussants:
John J. Hisnanick
Mark J. Kutzbach
Robert Dunn

F1.4: INNOVATION, DIVERSITY, &
DIFFUSION
(Francis Scott Key Salon A)
Chair: Edward Feser

Positive and Negative Externalities in Innovation, Trade, and Regional Economic Growth
Amitrajeet A. Batabyal

Characterizing Local Economic Diversity in Appalachia: Linking Industry, Workforce Skills, Function and Location
Edward Feser, Geoffrey Hewings, & Troy Mix

Technological Innovation and Diffusion in the Renewable Energy Industries in U.S. Metropolitan Areas
Chang-Shik Song, Sunjoo Park, & Eunkyu Lee

Discussants:
Peter Nijkamp
Randy Jackson
Stratford Douglas

F1.5: ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS AND
INPUT-OUTPUT MODELING I
(Francis Scott Key Salon B)
Chair: Frank Hefner

Clemson University’s Economic Impact in South Carolina
Robert T. Carey
Tortoise and the Hare Revisited? A CGE Analysis of Gaming and State Tax Revenues:
Maria Teresa Álvarez-Martínez & Michael L Lahr
Cruise Ship Impact on Hotel Accommodations: An Event Study in Charleston, SC
Frank Hefner, Brumby Mcleod, & John Crotts

Discussants:
William A. Schaffer
Peter McGregor
David Hughes

F1.6. CRIME & PUNISHMENT
(Potomac Salon C)
Chair: Amanda Ross
Determinants of Urban Crime in Bogota, Colombia
Juan Tomas Sayago Gomez & Gianfranco Piras
Crime and the Stand Your Ground Law: The Case of Florida
Abdul Munasib, Mouhcine Guettabi, & Harounan Kazianga
Crime and Private Investment in Mexico: A Spatial Perspective
Víctor Hugo Torres-Preciado, Mayrén Polanco-Gaytán, & Miguel A. Tinoco-Zermeño

Discussants:
James P. LeSage
Stephan Goetz
Donald Lecombe

F1.7. SPATIAL AGGLOMERATIONS I
(Jefferson Room)
Chair: Özge Öner
Cluster Policy and Practice at the State Level - Waxing or Waning?
John Lombard
The Geodemography of Diabetes in the United States
Tony H Grubesic, Fangwu Wei, Jennifer A Miller, & Alan T Murray

Discussants:
Todd Gabe
Mallory L Rahe

11:30 AM-1:00 PM
F2.1: LOCAL FOODS
(Georgetown Salon A)
Session organizer: Todd Gabe (NE1049)
Chair: Stephan Goetz
The Impact of a Buy Local Agriculture Campaign on the South Carolina Economy  
David W. Hughes & Olga Isengildina-Massa

Toward a Typology of Economic Impact and Welfare Analysis for Local and Regional Food Systems  
Dawn Thilmany, Allie Gunter, & Eyosiyas Tegegne

Optimal Wholesale Hub Locations for Fresh Vegetables  
Hamideh Etemadnia, Stephan J. Goetz, & Patrick Canning

**Discussants:**  
Sarah Low  
Todd Gabe  
David Hughes

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**F2.2: ENVIRONMENTAL SPILLOVERS**  
*(Georgetown Salon B)*  
**Chair: Peter McGregor**

Club Convergence and Clustering of U.S. State-Level CO₂ Emissions  
*Wesley Burnett*

The Economic and Environmental Impact of A Carbon Tax for Scotland: A CGE Analysis  
*Peter McGregor*

A Dynamic Mixed Integer Linear Programming Model of Carbon Capture, Utilization and Storage  
*Marc Mulkey, Jerry Fletcher, & Richard Middleton*

**Discussants:**  
Mark L. Burkey  
Michael L. Lahr  
Chali Nondo

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**F2.3: ENERGY SUPPLY & ECONOMIC GROWTH**  
*(Georgetown Salon C)*  
**Chair: David A. Penn**

Forecasting Coal Production and Volatility in China’s Producing Regions  
*Nyakundi Michieka & Jerald Fletcher*

The Response of State Employment to Oil Price Volatility  
*Wei Kang, David A Penn, & Joachim Zietz*

Renewable Portfolio Standards' Effects on the Fuel Mix in Electricity Generation  
*Eric Bowen & Stratford Douglas*
F2.4: REGIONAL POLICY
(Francis Scott Key Salon A)
Chair: David Swenson

Collective Action and Urban Bias: Evidence from Panel Data
Sidney Turner

Community Motive: The Untapped Identity Factor for Regional Development
Thomas J. Christoffel

Misadventures in Regionalism: Reaffirming the Importance of Central Place in Regional Economic Development Assistance
David Swenson & Liesl Eathington

The Development of an Objective Methodology to Delineate and Classify Functional Economic Regions for Regional Planning and Development: A Case Study of the Atlantic Provinces in Canada.
Alvin Simms, Jamie Ward, & David Freshwater

F2.5: MIGRATION/LABOR MARKETS II—CAUSES & EFFECTS OF INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION I
(Francis Scott Key Salon B)
Session Organizer: Brian Cushing
Chair: Robert Dunn

The Role of Immigration in Regional Economic Growth and Development
Xiaochu Hu

Latino Entrepreneurship in Three New Settlement Communities in the Midwest: A Comparative Study
Corinne B. Valdivia, Maria Figueroa-Armijos, & Katherine F. Higgins

Impacts of Remittances from Canada’s Seasonal Workers Program
Lidia Elena Carvajal & Veronica Angeles

Discussants:
Thomas A. Knapp
Marina Gindelsky
Pamela Kelrick
F2.6: RURAL ECONOMIES & ENERGY DEVELOPMENT I
(Potomac Salon C)
Chair: Anne Walker

Too Many Heads and Not Enough Beds: Will Shale Development Cause a Housing Shortage?
Michael Farren

An Empirical Analysis of Resource Curse and the Educational Attainment Channel in the Appalachian Region
Anne Walker

Energy Access and Security Challenges and its Implications to Economic Transformation in Eastern Africa
Yohannes G Hailu & Mulugeta Saare Kahsai

Discussants:
Amanada Weinsten
Qingshu Xie
Julie Silva

F2.7: REGIONAL PRODUCTIVITY
(Jefferson Room)
Session Organizer & Chair: James A. Kurre

What Determines Labor Productivity Differences for Manufacturing Industries across U.S. Metro Areas?
James A. Kurre & Patrick J. St. Andrews

Higher Education Spending and Productivity
David M. Mitchell

The Sub-Sector Sources of U.S. Productivity Growth in Information Technology
Jon D. Samuels

Discussants:
Edward Feser, University of Illinois
Robert M. Gibbs, USDA-ERS
James Kurre, Penn State Erie

1:00-2:30 PM

AWARDS LUNCHEON
(Potomac A&B)
SRSA Fellows Address by Mark Partridge
"America's Job Crisis and the Role of Regional Development Policy"

2:45-4:15 PM

F3.1: RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(Georgetown Salon A)
Chair: John Pender

Attracting Retirees as a Rural Development
Strategy: Identifying and Mapping the Potential
*John L. Pender & Robert Dinterman*

The Economic Vulnerability of Rural Farmers to Rainfall Variability and Extremes: Regional Implications for Coping and Adaptation in Mozambique
*Julie Silva*

Trends and Patterns in Rural Philanthropy
*John L. Pender*

**Discussants:**
Sonya R. Waddell
Cletus Coughlin
Judith Stallmann

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**F3.2: REGIONAL ANALYSIS**

(Georgetown Salon B)

**Chair: Margret Rose Olfert**

A Model of Commuting using Aggregate Measures of the Economic Milieu
*Michael Olsson*

What Exactly Do County-level Social Capital Variables Measure?
*Mallory L Rahe*

Cultural Impact on Perceptions of Hotel Services: A Comparison of Japanese and Korean Tourists on Guam
*Ning Li*

**Discussants:**
Alvin Simms
Margret Rose Olfert
Thomas J Christoffel

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**F3.3: ENERGY USAGE & ECONOMIC PERFORMANCE**

(Georgetown Salon C)

**Chair: Randall W. Jackson**

Energy Utilization and Economic Performance: A Data Envelopment Analysis and Panel Data Analysis
*Chali Nondo & Juan Jaramillo*

Population Dynamics, Economic Growth and Energy Consumption in Kenya
*Nyakundi Michieka & Jerald Fletcher*

The Impacts of Energy Policy on Regional Economic Development: Taiwan
*Cheng-Chang Lin*

**Discussants:**
Geoffrey J.D. Hewings
Ed Feser
F3.4: ENVIRONMENT & VALUATION
(Francis Scott Key Salon A)
Track Director & Chair: John Carruthers
The Value of Environmental Quality: Estimates from Space-Time Analysis
John I. Carruthers & David Clark
Convergence in Results between Contingent Valuation and Hedonics Methods
Clifford Lipscomb
Economic Impacts of Invasive Species: A Survey of the Literature
John M. Halstead
Discussants:
Clifford Lipscomb
David Clark
Warren Krieseld

F3.5: SKILLS, INNOVATION, & GROWTH
(Francis Scott Key Salon B)
Chair: Peter Nijkamp
Human Capital, Knowledge Spillovers, and One Kind of Semi-Endogenous Regional Economic Growth
Amitrajeet A. Batabyal
Creative Professions and Cultural Ambiance
Peter Nijkamp
The Urban-Rural Earnings Gap: Influence of Skills, Education and Urbanization
Todd Gabe, Kevin Stolarick, & Jaison Abel
The Probability of Entry into Self-employment – An Exploration of Individual, Industry and Regional Factors
Johan Klaesson & Johan P Larsson
Discussants:
Todd Gabe
Timothy Wojan
Susane Leguizamon
Kingsley Haynes

F3.6: MIGRATION/LABOR MARKETS III—CURRENT TOPICS IN INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION
(Potomac C)
Session Organizer: Brian Cushing
Chair: John Hisnanick
A Quasi-Experimental Approach to the Effects of Improvements in Women's Rights on Female Brain Drain
Maryam Naghsh Nejad
The Role of Governance Stability in International Migration
Pamela Kelrick & Thomas Johnson

Estimating the Migration-Tourism Nexus: The Case of Italian Outbound Tourism Flows. Ivan Etzo, Carla Massidda, & Romano Piras

Discussants: Nancy E. White Anthony Yezer Leslie Dunn

F3.7: INTRODUCING THE U.S. CONSUMER EXPENDITURE SURVEY: A TOOL FOR REGIONAL & URBAN ANALYSIS (Jefferson Room)
Session Organizer & Chair: Geoffrey Paulin

The Consumer Expenditure Survey (CES): Mission, Survey Methods, and Data Collected Geoffrey Paulin
Navigating the CE Website: Obtaining Tables, Microdata, and Published Articles William Hawk
Expenditures of Urban and Rural Households in 2011: An Example of Research Using CE Tabular Data William Hawk
Performing Regression and Other Analyses: An Overview of the CES Microdata Files Geoffrey Paulin

4:30-6:00 PM

F4.1: REAL ESTATE & HOUSING MARKETS (Georgetown Salon A)
Chair: Cristina Miller

Rural Hospitals in Illinois: Valuation of the Local Hospital as an Amenity Using a Hedonic Regression Cristina Miller

The Effects of Commercial and Residential Land Use Regulation Perry Burnett

The Role of Residential Real Estate Investment in the Economic Development of Minority Groups in the Northeast Region of the United States Praveena Rajam Jayaraman & Tesfa Gebremedhin

Race, Education, and Sexual Prejudice:
Evidence from the Housing Market  
*David Christafore, Susane Leguizamon, & Sebastian Leguizamon*

**Discussants:**  
John Halstead  
John I. Carruthers  
Joseph Von Nessen  
Cristina Miller

**F4.2: TRANSPORTATION POLICY & ITS EFFECTS**  
(Georgetown Salon B)  
*Chair: Cletus Coughlin*

Ought a Green Citizen to Bicycle or Take Public Transport to Work?  
*Amitrajeet A. Batabyal*

Estimation of Airport Infrastructure Capitalization for Land Value Capture Purposes: An Analysis of Denver  
*Cletus C Coughlin, Jeffrey Cohen, David Lopez, & John Clapp*

Agriculture Sector Impacts of Regional Transportation Policy Change in Western Canada  
*Margaret Rose Olfert*

**Discussants:**  
Cletus Coughlin  
Siew Lim  
John Pender

**F4.3: REGIONAL ECONOMIC CONDITIONS**  
(Georgetown Salon C)  
*Chair: Nancy Mantell*

Household Leverage and Regional Economic Outcomes in the 2007-09 Recession and Post-Recessionary Period  
*Sonya R. Waddell & Robert A. Bauer*

The Economic and Fiscal Impacts of Hurricane Sandy in New Jersey: A Macroeconomic Analysis  
*Nancy H Mantell, Joseph Seneca, Michael L. Lahr, & Will Irving*

Experimental Personal Consumption Expenditures by State  
*Christian Awuku-Budu, Ledia Guci, Christopher Lucas, & Carol A Robbins*

**Discussants:**  
John Connaughton  
Mark J. Kutzbach  
Richard Cebula
F4.4: GOVERNANCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
(Francis Scott Key Salon A)
Chair: Shaoming Cheng
Jurisdictional Spillovers and Decentralized Local Governments: Insights from Public Economics
Judith I Stallmann & Eunice Patron
Rural Migrant Workers’ Permanent Migration and China’s Policy Choices for Investment in Urban Areas
Yinan Zou
Local Officials and Due Diligence: Ethics and Law in Local Economic Development Policy
Cynthia L Rogers & Stephen E Ellis
Discussants:
Cynthia Rogers
Maryam Naghsh Nejad
Amanda Ross

F4.5: SPATIAL AGGLOMERATIONS II
(Francis Scott Key Salon B)
Chair: Paul Gottlieb
Agricultural Industry Clusters: The Cases of Wine and Horses
Paul D. Gottlieb & Anil Hira
Night-time Light Data: A Proxy Measure for Economic Activity
Charlotta Mellander, Jose Lobo, Kevin Stolarick, & Zara Matheson
Spatial Determinants of Leisure Service Clusters in Sweden
Özge Öner & Johan Klaesson
Discussants:
Özge Öner
Jim Kurre
Ivan Etzo

F4.6: ADVANCES IN REGIONAL MODELLING
(Potomac Salon C)
Chair: Michael L Lahr
Elasticity of Factor Substitution in a CGE Model: A Spatial Econometric Estimation
Zhenhua Chen & Kingsley Haynes
Testing the Role of Intermediate Demand in Determining Industrial Agglomeration with Spatial Econometrics and the Input-Output Model
Zheng Tian
Advances in Econometric Input-Output Modeling
Randall Jackson, Mulugeta Kahsai, & Christa Dean Court

**Discussants**
Donald Lecombe  
James P. LeSage  
Peter McGregor

**F4.7: ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS AND INPUT-OUTPUT MODELING II**  
(Jefferson Room)  
*Session Chair: Dan Rickman*

Economic Implications of the Canada-U.S. Border Bridges: Applying a Binational Economic Model for Canada and the U.S.  
JiYoung Park

Interregional Models of Canada  
*William A Schaffer & John Jozsa*

**Discussants:**  
Frank Hefner  
Bruce Weber

**6:30-8:30 PM**

**SRSA RECEPTION**  
(Capital View Ballroom Salon 1)
8:45-10:15 AM

S1.1: BROADBAND & REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT I
(Georgetown Salon A)
Chair: Tony H Grubesic
Spatial Analysis of Broadband Provision and New Firm Formation
Jitendra Parajuli & Kingsley E. Haynes
Adoption and Use of the Internet in Rural and Minority Households
Peter Stenberg
The Broadband Provision Tensor
Tony H Grubesic
Broadband’s Contribution to Economic Health in Rural Areas: Spatial and First-differenced Regressions
Roberto Gallardo & Brian Whitacre

Discussants:
Brian Whitacre
Kingsley Haynes
Amanda L Weinstein
Tony Grubesic

S1.2: LOCATION ANALYSIS
(Georgetown Salon B)
Chair: Sarah A. Low
What Do Million Dollar Facilities Really Do?
Carlianne Patrick
Do Regional Conditions Affect Rural Manufacturing Plant Resilience? A Hazard Function Analysis
Sarah A. Low & Jason P. Brown

Preliminary Study on Abortion Accessibility: Preparing for a Spatial Panel Analysis
Mark L. Burkey

Discussants:
Shaoming Cheng
Cletus Coughlin
Carlianne Patrick

S1.3: REAL ESTATE MARKET IMPACTS
(Georgetown Salon C)
Chair: Jay Mittal
The Impact of the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit on Migration
Brian Cushing & Amanda Ross

Spatial Analysis of Neighborhood Characteristics Associated with Foreclosure
Ellen Zapata
Private Land Conservation and Its Impact using Huff Model Inspired CEVI Index in Impact Measurement
Jay Mittal

Discussants:
John Lombard
Olivier Parent
Paul Gottlieb

S1.4: COMMUNITY RESILIENCE & LOCAL FOODS
(Potomac Salon A)
Session Organizer: Todd Gabe (NE1049)
Chair: Stephan Goetz

The Economic Impacts of a Tsunami Inside and Outside the Inundation Zone: A Spatially Explicit, Multiregional Input-Output Model of a Coastal County
Yong Chen, Yunguang Chen, & Bruce Weber

Do Local Food Systems Promote Regional Economic Growth?
Trey Malone & Dave Shideler

Predicting Economic Resilience of U.S. Counties from Industry Input-Output Accounts
Yicheol Han & Stephan J. Goetz

Discussants:
Michael L. Lahr
Dawn Thilmany
Geoffrey J.D. Hewings

S1.5: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN CHINA
(Potomac Salon B)
Chair: Wesley Burnett

Decomposing Chinese Household Energy Use from 1987 to 2007
Haiyan Zhang

Natural Resources and Regional Economic Development in China
Dongliang Yang & Zheng Tian

Spatial Analysis of China Provincial-Level CO2 Emission Intensity
Xueting Zhao, Wesley Burnett, & Jerald Fletcher

Discussants:
Randall Jackson
Xiaochu Hu
Haiyan Zhang
10:30 AM-12:00 PM

S2.1: FISCAL POLICY
(Georgetown Salon A)
Chair: Cynthia L. Rogers

The Effect of Local Taxes on Employment: Evidence from Florida Counties
Hai (David) Guo & Shaoming Cheng

An Empirical Test of State Tax Incentives: Evidence from Indiana
Michael J. Hicks & Dagney G. Faulk

Tax Revenue and Same-Sex Marriage
J. Sebastian Leguizamon, Susane Leguizamon, & James Alm

Discussants:
Liesl Eathington
J. Sebastian Leguizamon
Cynthia Rogers

S2.2: URBAN AND REGIONAL ECONOMICS
(Georgetown Salon B)
Chair: Santiago Pinto

Intercity Competition and the Urban Transport System
Santiago M Pinto

Bankruptcy Law and Entrepreneurship: Evidence from a Border Analysis
Amanda Ross & Shawn Rohlin

Two Modes of Spatial Economy Models: Thünen and Krugman
Tamas Dusek

Discussants:
Mark Partridge
Santiago Pinto
Michael L Lahr

S2.3: RURAL ECONOMIES & ENERGY DEVELOPMENT II
(Georgetown Salon C)
Chair: Nancy White

Applying a Comprehensive Wealth Accounting Framework to the Bakken Shale Region
Thomas G. Johnson & Neus Raines

Rural Wealth Creation and Emerging Energy Industries: Lease and Royalty Payments to Farms
Jeremy Weber, Jason P. Brown, & John Pender

Labor Market Restructuring in the Shale Boom
Amanda L Weinstein

Discussants:
Bruce Weber
Thomas Johnson
Nancy White

S2.4: EDUCATION & RESEARCH
(Potomac Salon A)
Chair: Robert Gibbs

Are States Catching Up in Educational Performance? An Exploration of Interstate Disparity in NAEP Performance in the United States
Qingshu Xie

R&D Networks in Public Universities in Mexico
Mayren Polonco Gaytan, Victor Hugo Torres Preciado, & José Ernesto Rangel Delga

Merit Aid and Post-College Retention in the State
John V. Winters

Discussants:
Judith I Stallman
John V. Winters
Robert Gibbs

S2.5: MIGRATION/LABOR MARKETS IV—URBAN AND REGIONAL LABOR MARKETS
(Potomac Salon B)
Session Organizer: Brian Cushing
Chair: Maryam Naghsh Nejad

Storms and Jobs: The Effect of Hurricanes on Individuals' Employment and Earnings over the Long Term
Mark J Kutzbach, Jeffrey A Groen, & Anne E Polivka

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Daniel Broxtermann & Anthony Yezer

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The Regional Research Institute at West Virginia University conducts and promotes interdisciplinary research on the economic and social development of lagging regions. As a center of regional research excellence for nearly five decades, the RRI is an internationally recognized center for the advancement of regional science.

Our research focuses on theories and history of regional development, methods for studying regions, and policies for stimulating their development. We seek to advance our understanding of socioeconomic processes and our ability to explain regional differences in rates of growth and levels of development. RRI activities are both national and international in scope. Our research interests span the globe, with a special focus on our own Appalachian region.

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**Keynote Address:** "The National Climate Assessment: Preparing for a Change" by Kathy Jacobs, U.S. Whittenburg Assistant Director of Climate Assessment and Adaptation, Pacific Region AAB

**Refreshment Break**

**NE-1009 Business Meeting (by invitation only)**

**Lobby Registration and Breaks**

**SRSA Members Meeting & Presidential Address:** Dan Richman, Oklahoma State University "Should Oklahoma Be More Like Texas? A Tasting Decision"