

# Purdue Agricultural Economics Newsletter

## Keeping Track

December 2016

### Calendar of Events:

December 10	Classes End
December 12-17	Final Exams
December 17-18	Commencement
December 20	Grades Due
January 9	Spring semester starts
January 16	Martin Luther King Jr Day (no classes)
January 23	Last day to cancel a course without it appearing on record
February 6	Last day to withdraw a course with a grade of W or to add/modify a course
March 6	Second eight week courses begin
March 13-18	Spring Break
April 29	Classes end
May 1-6	Final exams
May 9	Grades due
May 12-14	Commencement

### Photo of the Month Will Masters and Fulgence Mishili – Kariakoo market, Tanzania





**Thomas Hertel** hosted by **Shi Zheng**, Vice Dean, School of Agricultural Economics, Renmin University, China

## Congratulations

**Wally Tyner** has been elected as a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. The fellow designation will be conferred at a ceremony as part of the AAAS meetings in Boston in February 2017.

Professor Emeritus and Executive Center Director **Dave Downey** received the Jack Eberspacher Lifetime Achievement Award from the Agricultural Retailers Association on Nov. 30 at the ARA Conference and Expo in Orlando. The award is the association's highest individual honor and is designed to recognize career-spanning achievements in and contributions to the agricultural retail industry. It is awarded based on talent that has fundamentally advanced ag retail; steadfast contributions to ARA, acknowledged by professional colleagues and the local community; and work that has withstood the test of time. Congratulations, Dr. Downey!

## Thought You Would Like to Know:

The following AGECE ShaPE group presented at the **North American Regional Science Conference (NARSC)** in Minneapolis in November.

**Raymond Florax** gave a Plenary Lecture titled "Does Piketty Live in the US? Economic Mobility Across Generations and Space" on November 9<sup>th</sup>

**Shanxia Sun** presented a paper titled "Spatial Spillovers and Temporal Dynamics: Heterogeneous Impacts of Agricultural Land Use on Water Quality" based on work by Shanxia Sun, Michael Delgado, and Juan Sesmero on November 10<sup>th</sup>

**Brigitte Waldorf** presented "Borrowing from the Demographer's Toolbox: Longitudinal Methods in Regional Science", based on work by Verena Mecklenbrauck and Brigitte Waldorf on November 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Brigitte Waldorf** organized a group of four special sessions on the topic of "Poverty: People, Places, and Policy" on November 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Tim Smith** presented "Childhood poverty exposure and income mobility: a generalized propensity score approach" on November 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Huan Li** presented “New Evidence on Intergenerational Income Mobility in the United States” on November 11<sup>th</sup>, based on work with **Tim Smith, Michael Delgado, Raymond Florax, Brigitte Waldorf,** and Indraneel Kumar

**Ayoung Kim** presented “U.S. Immigration Policy and Brain Waste” on November 11<sup>th</sup>, based on work by **Ayoung Kim, Brigitte Waldorf, Natasha Duncan.**

**Tim Smith** presented “County Poverty in the US: Persistence, Migration, and Space” on November 11<sup>th</sup>, based on work by **Tim Smith, Brigitte Waldorf, and Raymond Florax.**

**Ayoung Kim** presented “A Quasi-Experimental Approach to Measuring Industrial Agglomeration in U.S. Metropolitan Areas” based on work by **Ayoung Kim, Michael Delgado, and Raymond Florax.**

Eleni Bardaka presented “Causal Identification of Gentrification and Displacement Effects of Urban Rail Infrastructure” on November 10<sup>th</sup>, based on work by Eleni Bardaka, **Michael Delgado, and Raymond Florax**

Indraneel Kumar presented “A Spatially Harmonized Small-Area Based Socioeconomic Database for the United States, 1970-2010” on November 11<sup>th</sup>, based on work by Indraneel Kumar, **Yong Jee Kim,** Andrey Zhalnin, **Huan Li, Michael Wilcox, and Lionel Beaulieu**

### Departmental Seminars

Date	Speaker	Affiliation	Field
28-Oct	Marin Bocic	UofMinnesota	Food/Nutrition
11-Nov	Pierre Merel	UC Davis	IO/agricultural supply
18-Nov	Roberto Protil	U of Vicosa, Brazil	Modelling of Ag Systems
2-Dec	Tim Richards	ASU	IO
9-Dec	Scott Swinton	MSU	Water pollution
16-Dec	Ed Balistreri	Colorado School of mines	Trade
3-Feb	Brian Roe	OSU	Food Economics
17-Feb	Ariel Ortiz Bobea	Cornell	Climate change and agriculture
24-Feb	Travis Lybbert	UC Davis	Development Economics
10-Mar	David Just	Cornell	Food/Nutrition
24-Mar	Rodolfo Nayga	UofArkansas	Food Policy
7-Apr	Snyder	TBD	TBD
14-Apr	Madhu Khanna	UIUC	Energy Economics
28-Apr	Marc Bellemare	UofMinnesota	Development Economics
5-May	Dan Chavas	Purdue - EAPS	Climate change and agriculture

### News from Graduate Students:

Alma Cortes Selva will travel to Nicaragua.

### News from AGEC Undergraduates:

See the success stories of our undergraduates at:

<https://ag.purdue.edu/agecon/Pages/Undergraduate-Success-Stories.aspx>

### News from the Center for Commercial Agriculture:

#### Farm Bill Webinar

The center hosted a Farm Bill Discussion webinar on Nov. 18, featuring Michael Langemeier, David Widmar and Jim Mintert. The archived version of the webinar is available on the CCA Archived Webinars page here.

### **Thinking about the Next Farm Bill**

Indiana Farm Bureau hosted a farm bill listening session on Nov. 28 at the Beck Agricultural Center. Michael Langemeier and Jim Mintert were the featured speakers, presenting "Thinking about the Next Farm Bill."

### **Indiana Corn Soybean Forum**

Michael Langemeier and David Widmar both spoke on Nov. 29 at the Indiana Corn and Soybean Forum, *Looking at Risk in Your Farm Business*, held at the Hamilton County Extension Center. Langemeier led a risk management discussion, while Widmar presented on the Purdue/CME Group Ag Economy Barometer.

#### *Reducing Corn and Soybean Production Costs*

Michael Langemeier spoke at a series of *Reducing Corn and Soybean Production Costs* workshops in southern Indiana in mid-November.

### **Income Tax Workshop and Webinar**

The Department of Agricultural Economics sponsored the 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Purdue Income Tax School and the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Agricultural Tax Workshop Webinar with the participation of the Internal Revenue Service and the Indiana Department of Revenue. The school was led by Michael Langemeier and designed to provide up-to-date training on current tax law and regulations for tax professionals. It stressed practical information to facilitate filing of individual and small business returns along with coverage of recent changes and agricultural tax issues. The specialized five-hour Agricultural Tax Workshop Webinar provided more in-depth coverage of the tax treatment of farms.

## **News from the Center for Food and Agricultural Business:**

### **Land O'Lakes Executive Agribusiness Program (LEAP)**

Allan Gray, April Sauer and Danielle Quirk recently traveled to Brazil alongside members of the current LEAP cohort for the program's international residency. While there, the group toured orange and sugar cane farms, cooperatives and food and agribusinesses. They also studied global agribusiness and Brazil's role.



### **National Conference for Food and Agribusiness**

The center hosted the National Conference for Food and Agribusiness: Driving Data to Insights, Nov. 16-17 in Indianapolis. Scott Downey and Justin Funk (Agri Studies, Canada) led discussions around the Multi-Generational Farm Study research, Tom Hertel gave participants a look at the future of agriculture, and Jim Mintert and David Widmar talked about the current state of the industry based on the Purdue/CME Group Ag Economy Barometer.

The 2017 National Conference for Food and Agribusiness is Nov. 7-8 and will focus on the Large Commercial Producer Survey.

### **Live from the Field**

The center wraps up its first live webinar series, [Live from the Field](#) on Dec. 16. The four-part series has focused on the current agricultural climate and how agricultural input suppliers can bring value to their customers in this season of economic downturn.

## Ag Retailers Association Conference

Allan Gray, Betty Jones-Bliss, Danielle Quirk and Jennifer Stewart-Burton traveled to the ARA Conference and Expo in Orlando, Florida in November to promote center programming, meet with clients and prospects, and conduct marketing interviews. The center partners with the association on two open-enrollment programs: the ARA Management Academy and Strategic Decision Making.

## News from the Center for Global Trade Analysis:

### [2016 GTAP Preferential Trade Agreements Mini-Course](#) “Applied Policy Analysis: Mini-course on Preferential Trade Agreements”

The [Center for Global Trade Analysis](#) recently held the inaugural offering of its [GTAP PTA Course](#) from October 24 – November 20, 2016. GTAP PTA is an online course designed to provide professionals and students with hands-on, applied training in the analysis of preferential trade agreements (PTAs) using the GTAP computable general equilibrium model. During the course, participants:

- reviewed economic theories of tariffs, customs unions, and regulatory policy;
- observed how these theories were operationalized in a CGE model;
- learned about approaches to measuring the trade-distorting effects of non-tariff measures;
- defined model experiments that represented liberalization of tariffs and non-tariff measures in a PTA; and
- selected and interpreted general equilibrium model results that were derived from a theoretical framework.

In total, 21 individuals from 14 different countries representing government agencies, international institutions, the private sector, and academia participated in this course.

For further information on GTAP PTA, please visit: [www.gtap.agecon.purdue.edu/events/GTAPPTA/](http://www.gtap.agecon.purdue.edu/events/GTAPPTA/).

For further information on the Center for Global Trade Analysis or the Global Trade Analysis Project, please visit: [www.gtap.agecon.purdue.edu](http://www.gtap.agecon.purdue.edu).

## Presented papers, seminars and travel:

December 4-8. **Otto Doering** will be a delegate to the International Nitrogen Initiative in Melbourne and delivering a paper.

**BM Gramig**, X He, M Zischke, B Wilkinson and C Roswell. “Least-cost Travel Cost Estimation Using a Multi-site User Intercept Survey of Southern Lake Michigan Anglers.” Selected poster, Heartland Environmental and Resource Economics workshop, University of Illinois, Nov. 12-13, 2016.

**Hertel, T.W. and U.L.C. Baldos.** (2016) “Attaining Food and Environmental Security in an Era of Globalization”, [Global Environmental Change](#), 41:195-205.

**Hertel, T.W.**, based on work with **Uris L.C. Baldos**, “Global Change and the Challenges of Sustainably Feeding a Growing Planet”, National Conference on Food and Agri-business, Indianapolis, November 16, 2016.

**Hertel, T.W.**, based on work with **Jing Liu**, **U.L.C. Baldos** and others, “Water Scarcity and Climate Change”, OCP side meeting on Water and Climate Change, COP-22 meetings, Marrakech, Morocco, November 10, 2016.

**Hertel, T.W.**, based on work with **Jing Liu**, **U.L.C. Baldos** and others, “Sustainable Irrigation in the Global Food System”, plenary paper, UCL Conference on Water Sustainability, University College London, November 8, 2016.

**Sesmero, Juan; Sun, Shanxia;** Schoengold, Karina. “Institutions and strategic groundwater pumping”. Paper presented at the Heartland Environmental and Natural Resource Economics Workshop.

## Publications:

**John M. Connor.** Canada’s International Cartel Enforcement: Keeping Score. *World Competition: Law and Economics Review* Vol. 39, No. 4 (October 2016): 524-. [<http://ssrn.com/abstract=2869430>]

**Connor, John M.**, International Cartel Stats: A Look at the Last 26 Years. *Law360 online* (August 12, 2016). Available at SSRN: <https://ssrn.com/abstract=2862135>

## **Positions, Career and Job Sites on the Internet:**

Arizona State University: Assistant Professor of Agribusiness  
University of Kentucky: Assistant Professor of Food System Development  
Nebraska: Three extension educators  
University of Florida: Assistant Professor – Fisheries and Aquaculture

Purdue Extension Service: see website listed below

Career and Job Sites on the Internet

Purdue	<a href="http://www.purdue.edu/jobs">http://www.purdue.edu/jobs</a>
AAEA Job posting	<a href="http://www.aaea.org/employment.html">http://www.aaea.org/employment.html</a>
Academic Employment Network	<a href="http://www.academploy.com/">http://www.academploy.com/</a>
Agriculture Career Connection	<a href="http://www.ag-biz.com">http://www.ag-biz.com</a>
Ag Careers	<a href="http://www.agcareers.com">http://www.agcareers.com</a>
Academic Position Network	<a href="http://www.apnjobs.com/">http://www.apnjobs.com/</a>
Academic Keys	<a href="http://www.academickeys.com">http://www.academickeys.com</a>
Community Colleges, misc	<a href="http://www.aacc.nche.edu/">http://www.aacc.nche.edu/</a>
ConAgra	<a href="http://jobs.conagrafoods.com/">(http://jobs.conagrafoods.com/</a>
Chronicle of Higher Education	<a href="http://chronicle.merit.edu/jobs/">http://chronicle.merit.edu/jobs/</a>
Education Jobs Page	<a href="http://www.nationajob.com/education">http://www.nationajob.com/education</a>
Employment/Resume posting	<a href="http://galaxy.einet.net/GJ/employment.html">http://galaxy.einet.net/GJ/employment.html</a>
EPA	<a href="http://jobs.quickhire.com/scripts/epa.exe">http://jobs.quickhire.com/scripts/epa.exe</a>
Foreign Ag Service	<a href="http://www.fao.org/VA/vac_en.htm">http://www.fao.org/VA/vac_en.htm</a>
Government Career	<a href="http://www.jobsearch.usajobs.opm.gov/">http://www.jobsearch.usajobs.opm.gov/</a>
National Job Bank	<a href="http://www.jobs.joe.org">http://www.jobs.joe.org</a>
USDA, Ag Research Service	<a href="http://ars.usda.gov">http://ars.usda.gov</a>
	<a href="http://www.ams.usda.gov/lsg/hr/lsgjobs.htm">http://www.ams.usda.gov/lsg/hr/lsgjobs.htm</a>
U.S. International Trade Commission	<a href="http://usitc.gov">http://usitc.gov</a>

<http://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/323686300>

[http://www.federalreserve.gov/careers/intern\\_research.htm](http://www.federalreserve.gov/careers/intern_research.htm)

<http://www.fsdinternational.org/intlopps/programs/internships1>

<http://www.fcni.org/young/intern.htm>

<http://www.uschamber.com/careers/internships/default>

<http://www.unausa.org/site/pp.asp?c=fvKRI8MPJpF&b=317257>

<http://web.worldbank.org/WBSITE/EXTERNAL/EXTHRJOBS/0,,contentMDK:20515785~menuPK:1477648~pagePK:64262408~piPK:64262191~theSitePK:1058433,00.html>

For further information, see the Job Posting File in Room 651  
Contact Lou Ann Baugh concerning information to be included in future issues of KT

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