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AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS

Keeping Track

March 2014

Calendar

March 7	Distinguished Ag Alumni
March 10	Second Eight-Week courses Begin
March 17-22	Spring Break
March 24	Last day to withdraw from a course with a W or WF grade
March 24	Last day to add/modify a course with instructor, advisor and dept head signatures
March 24 – April 11	College of Ag, Food Finders Challenge
April 11	Snyder Lecture – J.B. Penn – guest speaker
April 12	Spring Fest
May 3	Classes end
May 5-10	Final Exams
May 13	Grades Due
May 13-18	Commencement
June 9	PhD Econ prelim
July 27-29	AAEA Annual Conference, Minneapolis, MN
August 25	Fall classes begin

March 2014 Photo of the Month:



Submitted by Paul Preckel.

Yegezu Yegezu, Jordanian farmer, Paul Preckel, David Boussios, colleagues from the International Center for Agricultural Research in Dry Areas (ICARDA) in Irak, Jordan, December 2013. In the background is the Dead Sea.

Thought you would like to know:

Four Visiting Scholars from Hebei Finance University in Hebei, China, arrived in February and will stay until August 2014. They are working with Prof. Holly Wang on a project about financial support for agricultural science and technology innovation, and the effects of that support on agricultural science, technology innovation, and rural economic development.

Ms. Niya Liu, Lecturer

Ms. Lei Yang, Associate Professor

Ms. Weikun Yang, Professor

Ms. Xin Xiu, Associate Professor

News from our Graduate Students:

April 4-6, 2014, the Departments of Agricultural and Consumer Economics, Economics, and Urban and Regional Planning at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign will be hosting **The 7th Graduate Midwest Conference in Applied Economic, Regional and Urban Studies**. The SHaPE group hosted this graduate student summit in 2008, 2010, and 2012. All interested individuals are encouraged to attend. See <http://www.aerus.illinois.edu/> for more information.

Congratulations to:

2013 Outstanding MS thesis: **Aaron Cook** Advisors: **Jacob Ricker-Gilbert and Juan Sesmero**
"Climate Change in Malawi: Household Level Impacts and Adaptations"

2013 Honorable Mention MS thesis: **Zhihua Hu** Advisor: **Tim Baker**
"Are the U.S. Crop Insurance Premiums Fair Across Regions and Crops?"

2013 Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation: **Azza Mohamed** Advisor: **Philip Paarlberg**
"Welfare Impacts of False Codling Moth Threatening California Oranges"

Patrick Hatzenbuehler has been awarded a U.S. Borlaug Fellowship in Global Food Security for Fall 2013, so congratulations. Pat is currently working with Purdue Ag Econ alumnus Abdoulaye Tahirou at IITA Headquarters in Ibadan, Nigeria. (<http://www.purdue.edu/discoverypark/food/borlaugfellows/Fellows/index.php>)

News from the Center for Food and Agricultural Business:

Center Hosts 7th Annual ARA Management Academy

In early February, the center hosted 50 agribusiness retailers representing 23 states for the 7th Annual ARA Management Academy. The academy, a joint effort between the center and the Agricultural Retailers Association (ARA), was created to assist managers in developing their management, leadership and decision-making skills.

Using a blend of lectures, breakout sessions and group discussion, the program was structured to encourage networking and idea sharing. Program faculty included Mike Boehlje, Scott Downey, Allan Gray, Mike Gunderson and Beth Yeager, as well as Rodney Vandever from Purdue's College of Technology and Bob Grimm from Indiana University. The academy also included a panel discussion featuring growers Don Lamb and Terry Stephens.

Center Continues Corn States Premier Solutions Business Excellence Fellowship

In mid-February, nearly 20 members of the sales force and marketing team from Monsanto Corn States visited Purdue with their customers for the fifth session of the Corn States Premier Solutions Business Excellence Fellowship, a program designed to help Corn States become a trusted partner to their customers.

Faculty members Allan Gray, Mike Gunderson and Beth Yeager led the program. The program as a whole brings Corn States' customers (independent seed companies) to campus to work on a strategic business plan and build relationships with their strategic account manager. Licensees leave campus with a draft of a strategic plan for their business.

Mike Gunderson Speaking at TEDxPurdueU

On March 7, Mike Gunderson, associate director of research for the Center for Food and Agricultural Business, will speak at TEDxPurdueU about the challenge of feeding the growing global population.

TEDxPurdueU, an independently organized TED event (Technology, Entertainment, Design), strives to nurture a culture of innovation by sharing groundbreaking ideas from Purdue University's preeminent students, faculty and alumni with the worldwide TED community. Throughout the course of the day, speakers, performers and artists from diverse fields and schools of thought will combine with recorded TED talks to spark deep discussion and inspired reflection in the Purdue/Greater Lafayette community and beyond. Visit www.TEDxPurdueU.com/events for the speaker lineup and complete event details.

Presented papers, seminars, travel:

BM Gramig and NJO Widmar. Estimating Farmers' Willingness to Change Tillage Practices to Supply Carbon Emissions Offsets. Benefits and Costs of Natural Resources Policies Affecting Ecosystem Services on Public and Private Lands, W3133 Annual Meeting in Orange Beach, AL. February 19-21, 2014.

Marshall, M.I. and W.O. Peake, "Women's Management Strategies and Growth in Rural Female-Owned Family Businesses." Presented at the Agricultural and Applied Economics Association Conference, ASSA, Philadelphia, PA, January, 2014.

Otto Doering moderated a session on sustainability in the use of inputs on February 20th at the USDA Agricultural Outlook Conference in DC.

Publications:

John M. Connor and Toni Kalliokoski. Finnish Asphalt Cartel Court Decision on Damages: An Important EU Precedent and Victory for Plaintiffs. *Competition Policy International: Antitrust Chronicle* (February 2014 (2)): 1-18.

John M. Connor. *PRICE-FIXING OVERCHARGES: REVISED 3RD EDITION: SSRN Working Paper No. 2400780.* (February 24, 2014). [available at <http://ssrn.com/abstract=2400780>]

Marshall, M.I. and **H. Schrank.** 2014 "Small Business Disaster Recovery-A Research Framework." *Natural Hazards*. DOI: 10.1007/s11069-013-1025-z.

Tyner, Wallace E. "US and EU biofuel programs in flux." *Biofuels* (2014) 5(1), pp. 13-15.

Thompson, Jena, and **Tyner, Wallace E.** "Corn stover for bioenergy production: Cost estimates and farmer supply response." *Biomass and Bioenergy*, 62 (21014), pp. 166-173.

Liu, Xiaohui, Eric G. O'Rear, Wallace E. Tyner, and Joseph F. Pekny. "Purchasing vs. Leasing: A Benefit-Cost Analysis of Residential Solar PV Panel Use in California." *Renewable Energy*, forthcoming 2014.

Suttles, Shellye A., Wallace E. Tyner, Gerald Shively, Ronald D. Sands, and Brent Sohngren. "Economic effects of bioenergy policy in the United States and Europe: A general equilibrium approach focusing on forest biomass." *Renewable Energy*, forthcoming 2014.

Petter, Ryan, and Wallace E. Tyner. Technoeconomic and Policy Analysis for Corn Stover Biofuels." *ISRN Economics*, forthcoming 2014, <http://dx.doi.org/10.1155/2014/515898>.

Bezu, S., G. Tesfahun., B. Shiferaw, and **J. Ricker-Gilbert.** 2014. "Impact of Improved Maize Adoption on Welfare of Farm Households in Malawi: A Panel Data Analysis." *World Development* (Forthcoming).

Jobs:

Economist Position at ERS: Apply at: <https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/358504700>.

Global Footprinting Network: jobs@footprintnetwork.org;

Tennessee State University: Associate Prof: Marketing Assoc Prof: Finance

Internships:

<http://crs.org/about/careers/fellowships/>

Career and Job Sites on the Internet:

Purdue Extension Service: see website listed below

Career and Job Sites on the Internet

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

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

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

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