



Iowa State University Department of Economics

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Announcements

[Canvas training opportunities](#)

Economics Faculty:

If you will be using the new Learning Management System, Canvas, for your courses this semester or would like to learn more about it in advance of the transition next semester there are some opportunities for training coming up.

[Carver award nominations now open](#)

The George Washington Carver Spirit of Innovation and Service Award

Purpose of the Award: To honor undergraduate students showing evidence of traits embodied by Dr. Carver, including creativity, courage, dedication, etc., whose early lives and achievements in their educational development inspire and motivate other young people/students.

Department Highlights

[Department welcomes new faculty Aug. 16](#)

Gary Lyn, assistant professor, earned his B.Sc. in economics and business from the University of the West Indies, Mona, Kingston, Jamaica, in 2004, his M.Sc. in economics from there in 2006, and his Ph.D. from the Pennsylvania State University, University Park, Pennsylvania, in 2012...

Huffman presents papers

Wallace Huffman, professor, presented the following papers this summer:

W.E. Huffman and J. McFadden. “Consumers’ Acceptance of Food Safety Achieved using Biotechnology: Evidence from New Potato Products.” Presented at the American Association of Wine Economists Meeting, Padova, Italy, July 1-3, 2017...

Two Plastina Midwest ag presentations

Alejandro Plastina, assistant professor, made the following presentations:

“Economics of Cover Crops in Midwest Agriculture.” Invited presentation, Conservation Infrastructure Initiative, Cover Crops Working Group, West Des Moines, Iowa, Aug. 4, 2017...

Effect of US Policies on Illegal Immigration

An already bad situation will no doubt get worse, according to Dr. Stephen Devadoss (Ph.D. '85 economics) of the Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics at Texas Tech University University...

Jobs not a major benefit of wind farms

According to David Swenson, associate scientist, in a recent *In These Times* article on wind farms: “...non-landowning folks in the region of wind farm projects don’t wind up seeing a whole lot of that money.”



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Job Opportunity Congressional Research Service

Agriculture and Food Supply Section in the Resources, Science and Industry Division

Analyst in Agricultural Policy

Washington, DC

Application deadline: **Aug. 31, 2017**

Upcoming Event

Economics Department Convocation

Tuesday, August 22, 2017

Begins: 3:15 pm

Remarks: 3:40 pm

368A Heady Hall

Refreshments will be available.
