



Iowa State University Department of Economics

Friday, March 30, 2018

Announcements

Reminder: Blackboard access ends June 1

Instructors will want to download the grade center, grade history and course files from their courses prior to June 1 when access to Blackboard ends.

ISU Innovation PRIZE

The ISU Innovation PRIZE is an incentive competition at Iowa State University where developers, designers, marketers, problem-solvers, researchers, creatives and startup enthusiasts share ideas, form teams, and solve one of the three bold challenges!

Department Highlights

Lawrence named vp of ISU Extension and Outreach

John Lawrence, interim vice president of ISU extension and outreach, has been appointed vice president of Iowa State University's extension and outreach programs after a nationwide search.

Zhang paper published in AJAE

Wendong Zhang, assistant professor, had his paper "Do U.S. Anglers Care about

Harmful Algal Blooms? A Discrete Choice Experiment of Lake Erie Recreational Anglers" in the *American Journal of Agricultural Economics*.

[Kimle story in AgriMarketing Digital](#)

Kevin Kimle, senior lecturer, wrote the article "Investors Look to Disrupt Ag" for the March issue of *Agri Marketing* magazine.

[Bartalotti joins IZA](#)

Otavio Bartalotti, assistant professor, joined the Institute of Labor Economics (IZA) in Bonn, Germany as a Research Fellow in March, 2018. See his IZA profile.

[Orazem, Kim on rural broadband access](#)

Peter Orazem, university professor, and Younjun Kim ('15 PhD economics), assistant professor, Southern Connecticut State University, wrote a March 22nd blogpost "You've got internet! - connecting rural areas" for the Oxford University Press's OUPblog.

[Hayes, Hart on US-China trade, organic food](#)

Dermot Hayes, professor, and Chad Hart, associate professor, were quoted in several March, 2018, news stories:

[ISU survey shows drop in custom rates: Plastina](#)

Alejandro Plastina, assistant professor, was interviewed for a March 27th story in *Wallaces Farmer* about the results from the 2018 Iowa Farm Custom Rate Survey.

[Swenson comments on state education](#)

David Swenson, associate scientist, was interviewed by Jason Margolis, The World (Public Radio International), about research on the practice and prevalence of state

educations systems training workers for specific employers (like John Deere or Caterpillar in the Midwest and Mercedes Benz in Alabama).

Ten department undergrads inducted into Cardinal Key

Ten students from the Department of Economics were inducted into the Cardinal Key Honor Society at the induction ceremony held Sunday, March 25, 2018.



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Job Opportunities

Louisiana State University Agricultural Center

Gordon Cain Endowed Chair in Agriculture

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Application deadline: **May 31, 2018**

Resources for the Future

RFF is one of the leading research institutes on environmental and energy economics.

Research Assistants

Washington, DC

Funding Opportunities

Course Hero-Woodrow Wilson Fellowship

The Course Hero-Woodrow Wilson Fellowship for Excellence in Teaching supports rising stars in the academy who demonstrate excellence as educators.

One-year fellowships of \$40,000

Application deadline: **April 30**

Regents Innovation Fund - Call for Proposals

CALS Faculty: We are accepting proposals for the FY19 Regents Innovation Fund that is part of the Proof-of-Concept Initiative here at ISU.

Proposal deadline: **April 30**

Upcoming Events

Listening sessions for CALS dean search

Friday, March 30, 2018

4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

1951 Food Sciences Building – CCUR Auditorium

I.W. Arthur Memorial Seminar: V. Bhaskar

Monday, April 2, 2018

3:40 pm to 5:00 pm

368A Heady Hall

Jay Shimshack (University of Virginia)

Thursday, April 5, 2018

3:40 pm to 5:00 pm

368A Heady Hall
