



## Iowa State University Department of Economics

Friday, October 26, 2018

### **Announcement**

#### **New decision tool available**

This decision tool is intended to help farmers who do not currently use cover crops evaluate the expected annual net returns to cover crop adoption under alternative scenarios, and to serve as a benchmark for farmers who are already using cover crops and want to improve the return on their investment.

#### **New AEA journal - Call for Papers**

American Economic Review: *Insights*

This journal is designed to be a top-tier, general-interest economics journal publishing papers of the same quality and importance as those in the AER, but devoted to publishing papers with important insights that can be conveyed succinctly.

### **Department Highlights**

#### **Hart, Schulz, Zhang to speak at seminar**

Chad Hart, associate professor, Lee Schulz, associate professor, and Wendong Zhang, assistant professor, will speak at the Pro-Ag Outlook and Management Seminar on Dec. 5, 2018.

#### **Jacobs hosts co-op field trip**

Keri Jacobs, associate professor, traveled with 20 students to visit co-ops in Wisconsin and Minnesota Oct. 17-20, 2018.

#### **Tesfatsion honored**

Leigh Tesfatsion, research professor, has been elevated to the grade of Senior Member in the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE). IEEE Senior Membership is an honor bestowed only to those who have made significant contributions to the profession.

#### **Jacobs gives presentation**

Keri Jacobs, associate professor, gave a presentation Oct. 9 at the Iowa Institute for Cooperatives CFO/Controller Conference on how Sec 199A of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act impact agricultural cooperatives and producers.

#### **Hart comment in *Successful Farming***

Chad Hart, associate professor, was quoted in an Oct. 23rd story on ethanol in *Successful Farming*.

#### **Underwood receives alumni medal**

Roger Underwood ('80 agricultural business) has been selected to receive the 2018 Alumni Medal Award.

### **McPhail named outstanding alum**

Joseph McPhail ('08 M.S. economics) was named the 2018 Iowa State University Economics Department Outstanding Young Alumni.

### **Asad presents paper at conference**

Sher Afghan Asad, Ph.D. student, presented a paper at the Advances with Field Experiments Conference, Oct. 5-6 at the Boston University Questrom School of Business, Boston, Massachusetts.

### **Riensch wins prestigious internship award**

Hans Riensch, ag bus sophomore, was presented the 2018 John Chrystal Award by the World Food Prize Foundation at the World Food Prize Laureate Award Ceremony in Des Moines Oct. 18. Pouliot on MPR news.

### **Funding Opportunities**

#### **Center for Retirement Research at Boston College**

Steven H. Sandell Grant Program  
Dissertation Fellowship Program

### **Job Opportunity**

#### **Wageningen University & Research**

Assistant Professor (Tenure Track)  
Dept. of Social Sciences - Marketing and Consumer Behavior Group  
Netherlands  
Application deadline: **Nov. 9, 2018**

### **Upcoming Events**

#### **Ebonya Washington (Yale University)**

Thursday, November 1, 2018  
3:40 - 5:00 pm  
368A Heady Hall

#### **Jing Cai (University of Maryland)**

Friday, November 2, 2018  
3:40 - 5:00 pm  
368A Heady Hall

#### **Faculty Workshop: Negotiating for Success**

Monday, November 5, 2018  
2:00 pm to 3:30 pm  
Cardinal Room, Memorial Union

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