Iowa State University
Department of Economics

Friday, August 4, 2017

**Announcement**

Canvas LMS is ready for instructor preview

Implementation of Iowa State’s new learning management system (LMS) is underway, with instructor access now available. In June, Canvas was chosen to replace the current Blackboard LMS. Blackboard still is available for use during the fall semester; Canvas will be fully implemented for spring courses.

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**Department Highlights**

**AAEA meeting recognitions**

The 2017 Agricultural & Applied Economics Association (AAEA) Annual Meeting in Chicago, July 30-Aug. 1 resulted in honors bestowed upon several Economics Department alumni.

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**Undergrads win competitions at AAEA meeting**

Nine department students traveled to the AAEA meetings in Chicago to participate in the undergraduate competitions.

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**AEI hosts ag professionals from Brazil**

The Agricultural Entrepreneurship Initiative hosted a group of 25 farm and
agricultural business professionals from Brazil from July 24 to 28 in its first Business Beyond Borders event.

**Track farm income to analyze land prices: Zhang**
Wendong Zhang, assistant professor, was interviewed by Katy Keiffer for a story in *The New Food Economy* titled "Who really owns American Farmland?"

**Swenson on trucking industry, business start-ups**
David Swenson, associate scientist, was a guest on KASI Radio's *The Trent Rice Show*, talking about business start-ups and how Iowa compares to the nation.

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**Calls for Papers EGSC**
Washington University in St. Louis
Economics Graduate Student Conference, October 28, 2017
Submission deadline: **Aug. 14, 2017**

**Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)**
The Co-operative Research Programme (CRP)'s Call for Applications for funding international conferences (such as workshops, congresses and symposia) and research fellowship grants for funding in 2018 is now open.
Application submission deadline: **Sep. 10, 2017**

**Winter 2018 Conference of the Multinational Finance Society**
San Juan, Puerto Rico
Jan. 12-14, 2018
Submission deadline: **Sep. 15, 2017**

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**International Conference of Engineering, Science and Mathematics Education**
The conference will bring together engineers, scientists and mathematicians in the domain of interest from around the world. Zagreb on Oct. 16–18, 2017
Abstract submission deadline: **Sept. 22, 2017**

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**Upcoming Events**

**Tuition Task Force Public Meeting**
Wednesday, August 9, 2017
10:30am to 1:00pm
Room 240, Scheman Building

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**Welcome Reception**
Monday, August 21, 2017
7:00pm to 8:30pm
Brunnier Art Museum