Iowa State University  
Department of Economics

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Department Highlights

Jensen named to Science Breakthroughs 2030 committee
Helen Jensen, professor, is one of 13 renowned thinkers the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine has named to the executive committee of Science Breakthroughs 2030.

Plastina elected NCFME committee secretary
Alejandro Plastina, assistant professor, was elected Secretary of the North Central Farm Management Extension Committee during its Spring meeting at Kansas State University.

Farm decision tool updated
The decision tool “Iowa Cash Rents by Land Quality” on the Center for Agricultural and Rural Development's (CARD) website has been updated with 2017 data.
Lawrence, Zhang make presentation

John Lawrence, interim V.P., extension and outreach, and Wendong Zhang, assistant professor, presented to a delegation from the Chinese Ministry of Agriculture, Agricultural Trade Promotion Center on U.S. Farm Bill May 30.

Department Media Contacts

David Swenson, associate scientist, spoke with Trent Rice, KASI, about the tight labor supply in Iowa and the consequences economic growth.

Keri Jacobs, assistant professor, was interviewed by Donnelle Eller, the Des Moines Register, regarding her article on consolidation in ag and cooperatives that appeared in AgriMarketing last month.

Job Opportunities

CARD and Center for China-US Ag Economics & Policy, ISU
Postdoctoral Research Associate
Chinese Agricultural Policy and Market Analysis
Application deadline: July 15, 2017
Interviews will be conducted at AAEA meetings July 31-Aug. 1, 2017.

World Bank Group
Agribusiness research intern
Development Economics Network, The Global Indicators Group
Washington, D.C.
Application deadline: **June 26, 2017**