Purdue Agricultural Economics Newsletter

Keeping Track

April 2016

Calendar of Events:

April 15   42nd Snyder Lecture
April 22   Final Exam Deadline for May Candidates
April 27   Thesis/Dissertation Deposit Deadline for May Candidates
April 30   Classes end
May 2-7    Final Exams
May 10     Deadline for grades to be submitted via Blackboard/Banner
May 13-15  Commencement
June 13    8 week Summer Module begins
July 30-August 2   AAEA Conference – Boston, MA
August 6   Commencement
Congratulations

Juan Sesmero has been named Fellow of the Daugherty Water for Food Institute at the University of Nebraska, Lincoln

News from AGEC Graduate Students
Xin Zhao presented a study “Stochastic techno-economic evaluation of cellulosic biofuel pathways” at Advanced Bioenergy Seminar Series, Integrated Bioprocessing Research Laboratory, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign on Feb 29th, 2016.

Xin Zhao won the first place at Sigma Xi Poster Competition in behavioral and social sciences section, Mar 2nd, 2016.

Marieke Fenton has been accepted for an internship with the USDA FAS in Bogota, Colombia this summer. She will be studying the Colombian cacao supply chain as part of the USAID-USDA project Cacao for Peace.

News from AGEC Undergraduates

See the success stories of our undergraduates at:

https://ag.purdue.edu/agecon/Pages/Undergraduate-Success-Stories.aspx

News from GTAP

2016-1 GTAP 101 Course
“Introduction to Computable General Equilibrium Modeling”

The Center for Global Trade Analysis recently held the first 2016 offering of its GTAP 101 Course from January 25 – March 6, 2016. GTAP 101 is an online course aimed to engage participants in an active, team-based process of learning about the GTAP computable general equilibrium (CGE) model and its use in applied economic policy analysis. During the course, participants:

- reviewed core economic theories from macro, micro, trade and public finance and observe how they are operationalized in an applied general equilibrium model;
- learned to recognize, control and interpret the theoretically consistent behavior of consumers and producers in the model;
- observed the aggregated, macroeconomic impacts of microeconomic behaviors;
- defined model experiments that represent real-world issues and problems; and
- learned to interpret general equilibrium model results by calling on and integrating their knowledge of multiple fields of economic study.

In total, 17 individuals from 13 different countries representing government agencies, international institutions, the private sector and academia participated in this course.

For further information on GTAP 101, please visit: https://www.gtap.agecon.purdue.edu/events/GTAP101/.

For further information on the Center for Global Trade Analysis or the Global Trade Analysis Project, please visit:
http://www.gtap.agecon.purdue.edu/.

News from the Center for Food and Agricultural Business

The Center for Food and Agricultural Business has recently launched a new digital course for sales professionals. “The Value of Evidence-Based Sales Decisions,” is taught by Scott Downey. It focuses on effective use of data to drive sales and marketing decisions. Learn more at http://agribusiness.purdue.edu/eLearning.

Jennifer Stewart-Burton, content marketing and social media manager for the Center for Food and Agricultural Business, recently traveled to Panama and Colombia as part of Indiana AgrInstitute’s Ag Leadership Program Class 16 capstone. During the two-week seminar, the class studied transportation infrastructure, agriculture, trade and culture. Read more on the class blog: http://www.agriinstitute.org/class-activity/class-blog/.
Presented papers, seminars and travel


Juan Sesmero and Marshall Martin attended a conference of the Multistate proposal/project NC_TEMP1034, “Impact Analyses and Decision Strategies for Agricultural Research (NC1034)”, where they presented results of my research on "Long-Term tradeoffs between private and social objectives in the High Plains aquifer". The conference was 02/26-02/27 in Tampa, Florida.

Jacob Ricker-Gilbert co-authored two papers that were presented at the World Bank Conference on Land and Poverty in Washington DC. March 14-18 2016

“Estimating the Factors Driving Farm Land Rental Prices in sub-Saharan Africa: Evidence from Malawi.” (with Nicole Mason, and Jordan Chamberlin)

“Transactions Costs in Land Rental Markets and Their Impact on Youth Access to Agriculture in Tanzania.” (with Jordan Chamberlin)


Dominique van der Mensbrugghe participated in the third meeting of the Steering Committee of the joint INRA/CIRAD Agrimonde study of scenarios of the future of agriculture, Paris, 16-17 February.

Dominique van der Mensbrugghe participated at a workshop held by the Global Perspectives Studies Team of the FAO focused on assessing appropriate tools for long-term projections for food and agriculture, Rome, 19 February.

Dominique van der Mensbrugghe was hosted by the Asian Development Bank to discuss projects of mutual interest between the ADB and GTAP, Manila, 21 March. During his visit, he gave a talk in the ADB’s Asia Development Policy Lecture Series on “Shared Socio-economic Pathways: Implications for Asia”.

Dominique van der Mensbrugghe participated at a workshop held by the Korean Environmental Institute on modeling strategies for Top-Down and Bottom-Up Integration, Seoul, 23-23 March.

Publications


**Internships**

http://crs.org/about/careers/fellowships/

Dow AgroSciences

**Career and Job Sites on the Internet:**

Purdue Extension Service: see website listed below

Career and Job Sites on the Internet

Purdue http://www.purdue.edu/jobs
AAEA Job posting http://www.aaea.org/employment.html
Academic Employment Network http://www.academemploy.com/
Agriculture Career Connection http://www.ag-biz.com
Ag Careers http://www.agcareers.com
Academic Position Network http://www.apnjobs.com/
Academic Keys http://www.academickeys.com
Community Colleges, misc http://www.aacc.nche.edu/
ConAgra (http://jobs.conagraftoods.com/
Chronicle of Higher Education http://chronicle.merit.edu/jobs/
Education Jobs Page http://www.nationajob.com/education
Employment/Resume posting http://galaxy.einet.net/GJ/employment.html
EPA http://jobs.quickhire.com/scripts/epa.exe
Foreign Ag Service http://www.fao.org/VA/vac_en.htm
Government Career http://www.jobsearch.usajobs.opm.gov/
National Job Bank http://www.jobs.joe.org
USDA, Ag Research Service http://ars.usda.gov

http://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/323686300

http://www.federalreserve.gov/careers/intern_research.htm

http://www.fsdinternational.org/intlopps/programs/internships1

http://www.fcnl.org/young/intern.htm

http://www.uschamber.com/careers/internships/default

http://www.unausa.org/site/pp.asp?c=fvKRI8MPJpF&b=317257


For further information, see the Job Posting File in Room 651

Contact Lou Ann Baugh concerning information to be included in future issues of KT