URPE at ASSA
January 5-8, 2006
(Unless otherwise stated all sessions are sponsored only by URPE; jointly sponsored sessions are so noted.)

Thursday, January 5

8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Place: Simmons College, Boston

Heterodox Pedagogy Workshop:
HETERODOX CONTENT:
IDEAS FOR INTEGRATING, INCLUDING AND INNOVATING
IN THE ECONOMICS CLASSROOM

Sponsored by:  
Association for Evolutionary Economics (AFEE)
International Association for Feminist Economics (IAFFE)
Union for Radical Political Economics (URPE)

Please register for the pedagogy workshop scheduled prior to the ASSA meetings in Boston in January 2006. Several heterodox economics organizations are supporting this initiative designed to focus on course design and content and implementing active learning strategies in economics classrooms. Economics instructors participating in the workshop are sharing ideas to incorporate active learning and critical thinking strategies and to effectively develop and use exercises, games, videos, the internet and readings to complement traditional materials and help students better understand and critique economic theory, policy and actions. The purpose of the workshop is to provide tools and skills that improve economic knowledge and critical thinking skills.

Workshop participants will receive materials that they may adapt for classes, as well as a list of sources and a bibliography of teaching resources. Each participant is asked to bring a current or planned syllabus to adapt during the workshop and will have the opportunity to discuss ideas developed in the workshop, with the workshop staff and other participants.

Workshop Leaders

Julie Matthaei - Wellesley College
Shyamala Raman- Saint Joseph College
Gil Skillman - Wesleyan University
Geoff Schneider & Jean Shackelford - Bucknell University

For more information see: http://l.web.umkc.edu/leefs/htn.htm or http://www.orgs.bucknell.edu/afee.
Cost: $50 For Members of Sponsoring Associations; $35 students; $65 All others (includes a boxed lunch, bagel, cookie and coffee breaks and materials.) Enrolment for the workshop is limited. Please register in advance online or by using the form on page 19 of this Newsletter.

4:00 - 5:30 p.m. Room: Sheraton/Fairfax B

Session Title: In the Commonwealth of Toil: A Roundtable on Massachusetts Labor Movements

Presiding: Randy Albelda, University of Massachusetts Boston

Presenters: Jim Green, University of Massachusetts Boston
Thea Lee, AFL-CIO
Susan Moir, Director, University of Massachusetts Boston Labor Resource Center
Chuck Turner, Boston City Councilor
Friday, January 6

8 a.m. (Session A)  Room: Sheraton/Dalton  
Border Crossings: Gender and Transnational Migration

Sponsored by:  
Union of Radical Political Economics (URPE) and  
International Association for Feminist Economics (IAFFE)

Presiding:  
Radhika Balakrishnan, Marymount Manhattan College (J61)

Presenters:  
Mary King, Leopoldo Rodriguez, and Carrie Cobb, Portland State University, Women's Work: Explaining Mexican Women's Differential Work Strategies in Mexico and in the U.S.  
Candace Howes, Connecticut College, Transnational Homecare Givers: Breaking the Domestica Mold  
Arthur MacEwan, University of Massachusetts Boston, Liberalization, Migration and Gender: Lessons from the Mexican Experience  
Karin Astrid Siegmann, Sustainable Policy Institute, Pakistan and Abu Turab Khan, COMSATS Institute of Information Technology, Pakistan, Transnational Migration and Local Gender Roles in Rural Pakistan

Discussants:  
Radhika Balakrishnan, Marymount Manhattan College  
Ramon Borges-Mendez, University of Massachusetts Boston

8 a.m. (Session B)  Room: Sheraton/Exeter  
Labor in the Age of Neoliberal Globalization

Presiding:  
Tom Michl, Colgate University or Ozlem Onaran, Vienna University of Economics and Business Administration

Presenters:  
Engelbert Stockhammer, Vienna University of Economics and B.A., Still Unemployed ... After All These Wage Cuts. Labor in Europe  
Mark Setterfield, Trinity College, Worker Insecurity and the Anatomy of Contemporary US Macroeconomic Performance  
Ozlem Onaran, Vienna University of Economics and B.A., Who Is Paying the Cost of Adjustment? Labor in Developing Countries  
Robert Pollin, University of Massachusetts Amherst, Inflation Targeting Vs. Employment Targeting in South Africa

Discussants:  
Dean Baker, Center for Economic Policy Research  
Larry Mishel, Economic Policy Institute  
Robert Pollin, University of Massachusetts Amherst  
Tom Michl, Colgate University

10:15 a.m. (Session A)  Room: Sheraton/Exeter  
The Black Worker and Early Black Economic Thought

Presiding:  
Julie Matthaei, Wellesley College

Presenters:  
Curtis Haynes, Buffalo State College, W.E.B. DuBois  
James Stewart, Pennsylvania State College, George Edmund Haynes  
Nina Banks, Bucknell University, Sadie Tanner Mossell Alexander  
Julian Ellison, The Radical Abram L. Harris, Jr.

Discussants:  
Cecilia Conrad, Pomona College  
William Darity Jr., University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
10:15 a.m. (Session B)  Room: Sheraton/Dalton
Economics for Health and Environment

Presiding: Frank Ackerman, Global Development and Environment Institute, Tufts University

Presenters: Frank Ackerman and Rachel Massey, Global Development and Environment Institute, Tufts University, *The Unbearable Lightness of Regulatory Costs: Interpreting the Economic Impacts of REACH*
Marilyn Power, Sarah Lawrence College, *Toward a Feminist Political Economics of the Environment: Applying a Social Provisioning Approach to Environmental Policy*
Kevin P. Gallagher, Boston University, *Free Trade and the Environment: Mexico, NAFTA, and Beyond*
James Boyce, University of Massachusetts Amherst, *From the Right to Know to the Right to Clean Air: The Corporate Toxics Information Project*

Discussants: Fred Curtis, Drew University
Kristen A. Sheeran, St. Mary's College of Maryland

2:30 p.m. (Session A)  Room: Sheraton/Dalton
Questioning Paid Work: Benefits, Turnover, and Mobility of Low-wage Women Workers

Sponsored by: Union of Radical Political Economics (URPE) and International Association for Feminist Economics (IAFFE)

Presiding: Carole Biewener, Simmons College

Presenters: Teresa Ghilarducci, University of Notre Dame, *When I'm 64? Women Workers and Employee Benefits*
Lynn A. Hatch, University of Massachusetts Amherst, *Why is my teacher gone? Exit and Voice: Labor Turnover in Child-care Programs*
Randy Albelda, University of Massachusetts Boston, *Time Out? Paid Time off for Family and Medical Leaves for Low Income Women Workers*

Discussants: Carole Biewener, Simmons College
Chris Tilly, University of Massachusetts Lowell

2:30 p.m. (Session B)  Room: Sheraton/Exeter
Rethinking Economic Theory

Presiding: Frederic Lee, University of Missouri, Kansas City

Presenters: Jonathan M. Harris, Global Development and Environment Institute, Tufts University, *Reconciling Radical and Ecological Perspectives on Macroeconomic Policy*
Frederic Lee, University of Missouri, Kansas City, *Teaching Graduate Neoclassical Microeconomics from a Heterodox Perspective*
James G. Devine, Loyola Marymount, *Class Matters: Microtheory of Aggregate Consumption Function*
Frank Thompson, University of Michigan, *Utilitarianism Demolished*

Discussants: John Willoughby, American University
Tae-Hee Jo, University of Missouri, Kansas City
Saturday, January 7

8 a.m. (Session A)  Room: Sheraton/Dalton
Globalization, Investment, and Inequality

Presiding: Tim Koechlin, Vassar College

Presenters: Maria Floro, American University, and Rania Antonopoulous, New York University and The Levy Institute, *Asset Pawning, Homebased Work and Gender: The Case of Bangkok Low Income Households*
Mehrene Larudee, DePaul University, *The Political Economy of NAFTA: What's oil got to do with it?*
Stephanie Seguino, University of Vermont, *Evidence of Threat Effect of Firm Mobility on Wage Growth and Inequality in Developing Countries: VAR Tests of Causality*

Discussants: Mehrene Larudee, DePaul University
Tim Koechlin, Vassar College

8 a.m. (Session B)  Room: Sheraton/Exeter
When the Market Fails

Presiding: Christopher Gunn, Hobart and William Smith Colleges

Presenters: Ron Baiman, University of Illinois Chicago, *The Estimated Impact of a Chicago "Big Box" Living Wage Ordinance*
Savvina A. Chowdhury, California State University Bakersfield, *Revisiting ROSCAs: Can They Further the Project of Non-Capitalist Centered Ways of Re-conceptualizing the Economy?*
Christopher Gunn, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, *Workers' Cooperatives: Overcoming Problems of Finance*
Robert M. LaJeunesse, University of Newcastle, *Effects of Labor Force Participation on Health in Australia*

Discussants: Robin Hahnel, American University
Richard Vogel, State University of New York Farmingdale

10:15 a.m. (Session A)  Room: Sheraton/Exeter
Gender, Growth and Inequality

Sponsored by: Union of Radical Political Economics (URPE) and International Association for Feminist Economics (IAFFE)

Presiding: Caren Grown, Levy Institute of Economics

Presenters: Stephanie Seguino, University of Vermont, *Inequality, Pressures on Unpaid Labor, and Growth: VAR Tests of Causality*
Arjun Jayadev, University of Massachusetts Boston, *Female Labor Share and Financial Openness*
Günseli Berik, University of Utah, and Yana V. Rodgers, Rutgers University, *International Capital Mobility and Labor Standards: Female Workers in Textiles and Garments in Asia*

Discussants: Martha MacDonald, Saint Mary's University
10:15 a.m. (Session B)  Room: Sheraton/Dalton
Social Security and Employer-Pension Reform

Presiding:  Teresa Ghilarducci, University of Notre Dame

Presenters:  Doug Orr, University of Washington, *Rhetoric of the Social Security Debate*
Ellen Frank, Rhode Island College and Martin H. Wolfson, University of Notre Dame, *Neoliberalism and Social Security*
Christian Weller, Center for American Progress, *Social Security and Labor Market Risk*
Stephanie Kelton and L. Randall Wray, University of Missouri Kansas City, *Brokers, Bubbles and Beggars: The Likely Consequences of Bush’s Privatization Scheme*

Discussants:  Beth Almeida, International Machinists Union
Dean Baker, Center for Economic Policy Research
Teresa Ghilarducci, University of Notre Dame

2:30 p.m. (Session A)  Room: Hynes Convention Center, Room 202
In Celebration of John Kenneth Galbraith: A Roundtable Discussion

Sponsored by:  Union for Radical Political Economics (URPE) and American Economics Association (AEA)

Presiding:  Robin Hahnel, American University

Presenters:  James K. Galbraith, University of Texas Austin
James Ron Stanfield, Colorado State University
Richard Parker, Harvard University
Juliet Schor, Boston College

2:30 p.m. (Session B)  Room: Sheraton/Dalton
Critiques of Neoliberal Globalization

Presiding:  Cyrus Bina, University of Minnesota Morris

Presenters:  Robert Blecker, American University, and Arslan Razmi, University of Massachusetts Amherst, *Does the Fallacy of Composition Inhibit Export-Led Growth? Estimated Effects of Intra-Developing Competition on Output*
Cyrus Bina, University of Minnesota Morris, *The Epoch of Globalization or Corporate Globalism: What is Missing From the Left Analysis?*
Jim Crotty, University of Massachusetts Amherst, *Was the IMF’s Imposition of Economic Regime Change in Korea Justified?*

Discussants:  Reza Fazeli, California State University Fullerton
Stephanie Seguino, University of Vermont

URPE Cocktail Party
Saturday, January 7,  6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Sheraton Boston, room Independence East

URPE Evening Party 8:30 - 11:00 p.m.
[More information on the evening party will be provided on the URPE website and at the Conference]
Sunday, January 8

8:00 a.m. (Session A)  Room: Sheraton/Dalton
China and the Global Economy

Presiding: Phillip Anthony O'Hara, Curtin University

Presenters: Sidney J. Gluck, US-China Society of Friends, China's State Capacity to Intervene in the Economy to Avoid or Cushion the Threat of Recession
Andrew John Brennan, Curtin University, The Index of Sustainable Economic Welfare and Unequal Exchange: A Reconstructed and Fairer Index of Well-Being in the Developed Core
Yan Liang, University of Missouri Kansas City, The Employment Effects of U.S. Foreign Direct Investment on China: A Theoretical and Empirical Analysis
Phillip Anthony O'Hara, Curtin University, A Chinese Social Structure of Accumulation for Capitalist Long Wave Upswing?

Discussants: Jim Crotty, University of Massachusetts Amherst
Paul Zarembka, State University of New York at Buffalo

8:00 a.m. (Session B)  Room: Sheraton/Exeter
False Promises and Recurrent Crises

Presiding: Al Campbell, University of Utah

Presenters: Abelardo Marina Flores, Universidad Autonoma Metropolitana, Mexico, From the Tequila Crises to a New Intoxication?
Claudio Katz, Universidad de Buenos Aires, Argentina, Ruling Classes Confront the FTAA and the Debt
Gerard Dumenil, Universidad de Paris X-Nauterne, France, Latin America in the 1990s: Macroeconomics Out of Control?
Al Campbell, University of Utah, Neoliberalism in Venezuela Before Chavez

Discussants: Robert Blecker, American University
Luis F. Brunstein, Rowan University

10:15 a.m. (Session A)  Room: Sheraton/Dalton
Class, Distribution and Social Policy

Presiding: Diane Elson, Levy Institute of Bard College and University of Essex

William Darity Jr., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Class-Based versus Race-Based Policies
Heather Boushey, Center for Economic Policy Research, U.S. Social Policy: Where is the Social Insurance for Women and Caretakers?
Martin Scott Carter, Borough of Manhattan Community College and Rollins College, The Strength of Organized Labor and Functional Income Distribution In Developed Market Economies

Discussants: TBA
10:15 a.m. (Session B)  Room: Sheraton/Dalton
Macroeconomic Performance

Presiding: David M. Kotz, University of Massachusetts Amherst

Presenters: Rafat Fazeli, University of Redlands and Reza Fazeli, California State University Fullerton, Globalization and U.S. Macroeconomic Performance: The Prospects for Future Growth
Ted P. Schmidt, Buffalo State College, It's the End of the Dollar as We Know It... And I Feel Fine
Erdogan Bakir and Al Campbell, University of Utah, Profit Rate in the Non-Financial Corporate Sector in the U.S. Economy: Further Inquiry Into the Role of Finance Capital in the Neoliberal Era
David M. Kotz, University of Massachusetts Amherst, The U.S. Economic Recovery Since 2001: Contradictions of Profit-Led Growth

Discussants: Dorene Isenberg, University of Redlands
Arslan Razmi, University of Massachusetts Amherst

1:00 p.m.  Room: Sheraton/Dalton
Studies in Capitalist Dynamics

Presiding: John Willoughby, American University

Presenters: John Willoughby, American University, Towards a Comparative Political Economy of World Domination
Paul Zarembka, State University of New York at Buffalo, Late Marx and Luxemburg: Opening a Development Within Political Economy
Riccardo Bellofiore, University of Bergamo, Rosa Luxemburg on Capitalist Dynamics, Distribution, and Effective Demand Crises
Yavuz Yasar, University of Denver, and Mark Lautzenhesier, Earlham College, The 'Technical Monetary Detail' of Effective Demand

Discussants: Michael Perelman, California State University Chico
James G. Devine, Loyola Marymount

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URPE members can see the entire ASSA schedule online and get registration and hotel information at: http://www.vanderbilt.edu/AEA/