

URPE at EEA Schedule, 2013

May 9-11, Sheraton New York Hotel & Towers, NYC, NY

(Program updated on May 2, 2013)

Please note that there will be an URPE membership meeting on Friday, at 6:30 p.m. to be followed by an URPE reception at 7:30 p.m. in Conference Room D

THURSDAY, MAY 9

8:00 - 9:20 am <Conference Room D>

**[A18] TEACHING ECONOMICS FROM A POLITICAL ECONOMY PERSPECTIVE
(JEL Code A)**

Session Organizer and Chair: **Lane Vanderslice**, World Hunger Education Service

- *Introductory Economics*
Brent Kramer, Borough of Manhattan Community College
- *Political Economy*
Jared Ragusett, Central Connecticut State University
- *Economics of Discrimination*
Marie Duggan, Keene State College
- *Harmful Economic Systems*
Lane Vanderslice, World Hunger Education Service
- *Income Distribution in Radical Political Economy*
Scott Carter, The University of Tulsa

Discussion Among Participants

9:30 - 10:50 am <Conference Room D>
[B18] Gender, Poverty and Policy (JEL Code J)

Session Organizer and Chair: **Thomas Masterson**, Levy Economics Institute of Bard College

- *It's About Time: Time and Income Poverty in Argentina, Chile and Mexico*
Ajit Zacharias, Levy Economics Institute of Bard College; **Rania Antonopoulous**, Levy Economics Institute of Bard College; **Thomas Masterson**, Levy Economics Institute of Bard College
- *Employment is Not Enough: A Look at Low-wage, Low-income Single Mothers, 1979-2011*
Randy Albelda, University of Massachusetts Boston; **Michael Carr**, University of Massachusetts Boston

Discussant: **Papa Seck**, UN Women

11:00 am - 12:20 pm <Conference Room D>
[C18] The Information Economy (JEL Code O)

Session Organizer and Chair: **Zoe Sherman**, University of Massachusetts-Amherst

- *The Concept of Value in Cognitive Capitalism Theory: A Critical Review of Recent Developments*
Hyun Woong Park, UMass-Amherst
- *Advertising and the Creation of Exchange Value*
Zoe Sherman, University of Massachusetts, Amherst
- *The Economics of Sharing Networks*
Anders Fremstad, University of Massachusetts, Amherst
- *On Theories of a Democratically Planned Economy and the Coevolution of "pro Democratic Planning" Preferences*
Leopoldo Gomez Ramirez, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Discussion Among Participants

1:00 - 2:20 pm <Conference Room D>
[D18] Capital Account and Domestic Prudential Regulations as Counter-cyclical Tools (JEL Code E)

Session Organizers: **Bilge Erten**, Columbia University, and **Armagan Gezici**, Keene State College

Session Chair: **Bilge Erten**, Columbia University

- *Capital Account Regulations and Monetary Pressures*
José Antonio Ocampo, Columbia University; **Bilge Erten**, Columbia University
- *Macprudential Regulations and Capital Inflows: the Case of Turkey*
Bilge Erten, Columbia University; **Armagan Gezici**, Keene State College
- *The resurrection and re-normalization of capital controls in an age of crisis*
Ilene Grabel, University of Denver

Discussion Amongst Participants

2:30 - 3:50 <Conference Room D>

[E18] The Political Economy of Global Value Chains (JEL Code O)

Session Organizer: **Xiao Jiang**, The New School for Social Research, NY

Session Chair: **William Milberg**, The New School for Social Research, NY

- *Economic and social upgrading of developing countries in the global apparel sector: Insights from using a parsimonious measurement approach*
Tomas Bernhardt, The New School for Social Research, NY
- *Global Value Chains: Further Gains from Trade or Faster Race to the Bottom*
Mary Borrowman, The New School for Social Research, NY; **William Milberg**, The New School for Social Research, NY
- *Trade and Employment in a Vertically Specialized World: Global Factor-Content Analysis and A Demystification of “Value-added Erosion”*
Xiao Jiang, The New School for Social Research, NY
- *The Value of High Value-Added Output for Trade Gains*
Jose Caraballo Cueto, The New School

Discussion Amongst Participants

4:00 - 5:20 pm <Conference Room D>

[F18] Development and Inequality: Agrarian and Structural Change (JEL Code O, J)

Session Organizer: **Cem Oyvatt**, University of Massachusetts-Amherst

Session Chair: **Riko Rosete**, University of Massachusetts-Amherst

- *Agriculture and Modern Employment Creation in Dual Economies*
Joao Paulo A. de Souza, University of Massachusetts Amherst
- *Wealth-Biased Property Rights Reform: Tenure Insecurity and Investment in Paraguay Revisited*
Heath Henderson, Inter-American Development Bank; **Leonardo Corral**, Inter-American Development Bank; **Eric Simning**, Inter-American Development Bank; **Paul Winters**, Inter-American Development Bank

- *Micro and Macro Level Determinants of Women's Employment in Turkey*
Yasemin Dildar, University of Massachusetts Amherst
- *The Roots of Ginis: A comparative analysis of Turkey, Korea and Brazil*
Cem Oyvatt, University of Massachusetts Amherst

Discussion Among Participants

5:30 - 6:50 pm <Liberty 4>

[F17a] Technological Change and Accumulation (JEL Code R)

Session Organizers: **Armagan Gezici**, Keene State College; **Scott Carter**, University of Tulsa
Session Chair: **David Laibman**, Science and Society

- *An Evolutionary Marxian Model of Competition, Technical Change, and Accumulation*
Tomas N. Rotta, University of Massachusetts-Amherst
- *R&D, Technological Change and Economic Growth: Class vs. Non-class Analysis*
Mohammad R Moeini-Feizabadi, Bard College at Simon's Rock
- *The negative utility of desire and its implications for patterns of innovation*
Mihnea Tudoreanu, University of Massachusetts-Amherst

Discussion Among Participants

5:30 - 6:50 pm <Conference Room D>

[F18a] Financialization and crisis (JEL Code G)

Session Organizer and Chair: **Cem Oyvatt**, University of Massachusetts-Amherst

- *The ongoing crisis: Questions for Keynesian theory*
Davide Gualerzi, University of Padua, Italy
- *Power Asymmetries and the European Crisis*
Nina Eichacker, University of Massachusetts Amherst
- *After the crisis: An investigation of the state of the U.S. economy*
Mathieu Dufour, John Jay College of Criminal Justice; **Özgür Orhangazi**, Kadir Has University
- *Managerial Capitalism, finance and the contradictions of the neoliberal phase of capitalism*
Ramaa Vasudevan, Colorado State University

Discussion Among Participants

FRIDAY, MAY 10

8:00 - 9:20 am <Liberty 4>

[G17] Macroeconomic Analysis of the US (JEL Code E)

Session Organizers: **Armagan Gezici**, Keene State College; **Scott Carter**, University of Tulsa

Session Chair: **Mona Ali**, SUNY New Paltz

- *Real Time Filtering and Prediction of US Business Cycles with a Stochastic Goodwin Model*
Tai Young-Taft, Gulf University for Science and Technology
- *The housing bubble: a case of disproportion in the current U.S. crisis*
Julio Goicoechea, Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana
- *"Efficiency" in macroeconomic theory*
Susan K. Schroeder, University of Sydney

Discussion Among Participants

8:00 - 9:20 am <Conference Room D>

[G18] The Political Economy of Credit and Finance (JEL Code G)

Session Organizer & Chair: **J. W. Mason**, University of Massachusetts Amherst

- *The 'financialization' of the nonfinancial corporation: an empirical investigation of NFC balance sheets*
Leila Davis, University of Massachusetts Amherst
- *Consumer Debt as Redistribution: Measuring Financial Expropriation*
Sara M Bernardo, University of Massachusetts, Boston
- *Loose Money, High Rates: Interest Rate Spreads in Historical Perspective*
J. W. Mason, University of Massachusetts Amherst; **Arjun Jayadev**, University of Massachusetts Boston
- *The Dynamic Process of Financial Innovation and its Implications: A Case Study Approach*
Hasan Cömert, METU; **Gerald Epstein**, University of Massachusetts Amherst

Discussion Among Participants

9:30 - 10:50 am <Liberty 4>
[H17] Distributional Issues (JEL Code J)

Session Organizers: **Armagan Gezici**, Keene State College; **Scott Carter**, University of Tulsa
Session Chair: **Mona Ali**, SUNY New Paltz

- *Pecuniary emulation in a Kaldorian model of income distribution*
Soon Ryoo, Adelphi University
- *Incorporating Consumer Finance into the Circuits of Capital: New Mechanisms for the Realization of Value*
Conrad M. Herold, Hofstra University
- *The impact of minimum wage laws on the wage structure: An updated analysis of the ripple effects*
Jeannette Wicks-Lim, Political Economy Research Institute, UMass-Amherst

Discussion among participants

9:30 - 10:50 am <Conference Room D>
[H18] Explorations in Economic Methodology (JEL Code B)

Session Organizer & Chair: **Armagan Gezici**, Keene State College

- *The Use of Mixed Methods in Economics: A Distinct Methodology?*
Armagan Gezici, Keene State College
- *Diversity of Diversity: A transdisciplinary consideration of a pivotal concept*
Hardy Hanappi, University of Technology of Vienna; **Edeltraud Hanappi-Egger**, University of Economics of Vienna
- *Development Economics, Gender, and the Cultural Turn: A Post-Structuralist Perspective*
Natalia Bracarense, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Discussion Among Participants

11:00 am - 12:20 pm <Liberty 4>
[I17] Issues of Welfare: Migrants, Farmers, Vulnerability (JEL Code I, R)

Session Organizers: **Armagan Gezici**, Keene State College; **Scott Carter**, University of Tulsa
Session Chair: **Jeannette Wicks-Lim**, Political Economy Research Institute, UMass-Amherst

- *Invisibility of labour mobility and misery*
Alex Julca, UN Development Policy and Analysis Division

- *Capitalism in (Green) Disguise: The Political Economy of Organic Farming in the European Union*
Charalampos Konstantinidis, University of Massachusetts Boston, Charalampos
- *Operationalizing The Capabilities Approach*
Laurence O'Connell, New School for Social Research

Discussion among participants

11:00 am - 12:20 pm <Conference Room D>

[I18] Global South After the Great Recession I: Asia & Africa & Latin America (JEL Code P)

Session Organizers: **Hasan Cömert**, METU; Rex McKenzie, CSID, University of Witwatersrand

Session Chair: **Anuradha Seth**, Bureau of Development Policy United Nations Development Programme

- *How Colombia has coped with the global financial crisis?*
Daniel Munevar, General Direction of Macroeconomic Policy Ministry of Finance and Public Credit of Colombia
- *Developing Countries since the Crisis: The Case of Turkey*
Hasan Cömert, METU; **Selman Çolak**, METU
- *Developing Countries since the Crisis: The Case of South Africa*
Seeraj Mohamed, CSID, University of Witwatersrand

Discussants: **Andrés Blancas**, Institute of Economic Research at National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM); **Mamadou Bobo Diallo**, Economic Empowerment Section at UN Women; **Seeraj Mohamed**, CSID, University of Witwatersrand

2:00 - 3:20 pm <Liberty 4>

[J17] Development Economics (JEL Code O)

Session Organizer: **Armagan Gezici**, Keene State College; **Scott Carter**, University of Tulsa
Session Chair: **Armagan Gezici**, Keene State College

- *Does Informal Economy Foster Income Inequality? Evidence from Causality and Cointegration Analysis for Turkey, 1963-2008*
Adem Y. Elveren, Sutcu Imam University, Turkey; **Gökçer Özgür**, Hacettepe University, Turkey
- *Putting Chile's Commodity Dependence in Perspective*
Laura Ebert, State University of New York, New Paltz; **Tania La Menza**, State University of New York

Discussion among participants

2:00 - 3:20 pm <Conference Room D>

[J18] Global South After the Great Recession II: Latin America & the Caribbean (JEL Code P)

Session Organizer: **Hasan Cömert**, METU; **Rex McKenzie**, CSID, University of Witwatersrand
Session Chair: **Hasan Cömert**, METU

- *Eclectic policy as a surviving approach to socioeconomic development*
Luis Brunstein, Hiram College, Hiram, OH; **Mariana De Maio**, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL
- *Mexico's Resistance: Avoiding world crisis by building local infernos*
David Barkin, Universidad Autonoma Metropolitana, Mexico City
- *The Brazilian economy after the crisis: challenges and opportunities*
Marcos Reis, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro
- *In Ponzi's Image; Ponzi Finance In Jamaica*
Rex A McKenzie, CSID, University of Witwatersrand

Discussants: **Ruth Felder**, University of Buenos Aires, Argentina; **Andrés Blancas**, Institute of Economic Research at National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM); **Marcos Reis**, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro

3:30 - 4:50 pm <Liberty 4>

[K17] Barry Commoner: Paul Revere of Ecology 1970 & Prophet of Political Economy 2012 – A Roundtable Discussion

Co-Sponsored by URPE & Capitalism, Socialism & Nature

Participants:

Michael Egan, McMaster University, Canada

Robert E. Scott, Economic Policy Institute

Vernice Miller-Travis, Miller-Travis & Associates

Discussion among participants

3:30 - 4:50 pm <Conference Room D>

[K18] Global South After the Great Recession III: Latin America & Asia (JEL Code P)

Session Organizer: **Hasan Cömert**, METU; **Rex McKenzie**, CSID, University of Witwatersrand
Session Chair: **Rex McKenzie**, CSID, University of Witwatersrand

- *Argentina in the global crisis: external effects and domestic tensions*
Viviana Patroni, York University, Canada; **Ruth Felder**, University of Buenos Aires, Argentina
- *Effects of FDI on Growth in Southeast Asian Countries: A Nonlinear Time Series Perspective*
Tai Young-Taft, Gulf University for Science and Technology; **Salah Nusair**, Gulf University for Science and Technology
- *Export-Led or Tradable-Led Growth Strategies in Latin America: a Non-Negligible Aspect in the Aftermath of the Great Recession*
Gonzalo Hernandez, UMass-Amherst; **Arslan Razmi**, UMass-Amherst
- *China and the US since the crisis: How does rising inequality affect prospects for international rebalancing?*
Adam Hersh, Center for American Progress, Washington, DC

Discussants: **Luis Brunstein**, Hiram College, Hiram, OH; **Gonzalo Hernandez**, UMass-Amherst; **Anuradha Seth**, Bureau of Development Policy United Nations Development Programme; **Daniel Munevar**, General Direction of Macroeconomic Policy Ministry of Finance and Public Credit of Colombia

SATURDAY, MAY 11

8:00 - 9:20 am <Liberty 4>

[L17] **The Political Economy of the Working Class I: Analytical and Practical Issues (JEL Code J)**

Session Organizer and Chair: **Scott Carter**, University of Tulsa

- *Introductory remarks: Radical Political Economy in Working Class Perspective*
Scott Carter, University of Tulsa
- *Class and Contemporary Social Movements in the US*
Penny Lewis, Murphy Institute for Worker Education and Labor Studies, CUNY
- *Why do Millionaires run the country?*
Nicholas Carnes, Duke University
- *Understanding class differentiation in India: An overview of major issues*
Ajit Zacharias, Levy Institute of Bard College

Discussion among participants

8:00-9:20 am <Conference Room D>

[L18] Global South After the Great Recession IV: Monetary Policy (JEL Code E)

Session Organizers: **Hasan Cömert**, METU; **Rex McKenzie**, CSID, University of Witwatersrand

Session Chair: **Gonzalo Hernandez**, UMass-Amherst

- *Financial Fragility and Neoliberal Monetary Policy in Developing Countries: The Case of Mexico*
Andrés Blancas, Institute of Economic Research at National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM)
- *A Comparative analysis of the Turkish Central Bank's Discourse and Practices before and after the crisis*
Hasan Cömert, METU; **Cendel Karaman**, METU
- *Monetary Policy as a Seal of Approval: The Curious Case of Democratic South Africa*
Rex A McKenzie, CSID, University of Witwatersrand

Discussants: **Marcos Reis**, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro; **Tai Young-Taft**, Gulf University for Science and Technology; **Seeraj Mohamed**, CSID, University of Witwatersrand; **Adam Hersh**, Center for American Progress Washington, DC

9:30 am - 10:50 am <Liberty 4>

[M17] The Role of Money and Interest in the Surplus Approach (JEL Code G)

Session Organizer: **Andy Felkerson**, University of Missouri – Kansas City

Session Chair: **Scott Carter**, University of Tulsa

- *Introductory remarks*
Scott Carter, The University of Tulsa
- *Sraffa Prices and Townshend Prices*
Jan Kregel, Levy Economics Institute
- *Reading Sraffa's writings of the period 1925 to 1931*
Ajit Sinha, Indira Gandhi Institute
- *Rate of Interest Revisited: The Importance of Sraffa's Critique of Hayek for The General Theory and Production of Commodities by Means of Commodities*
James Andrew Felkerson, University of Missouri-Kansas City
- *The rate of interest and the conception of competition in the surplus approach and other heterodox traditions*
Andres Lazzarini, Centro de Investigación en Epistemología de las Ciencias Económicas de la Universidad de Buenos Aires

Discussant: **Scott Carter**, The University of Tulsa

9:30 am - 10:50 pm <Conference Room D>

[M18] Global South After the Great Recession V: Developing Countries in General (JEL Code O)

Session Organizers: **Hasan Cömert**, METU; **Rex McKenzie**, CSID, University of Witwatersrand

Session Chair: **Seeraj Mohamed**, CSID, University of Witwatersrand

- *Macroeconomic Vulnerability in Developing Countries: Approaches and Issues*
Anuradha Seth, Bureau of Development Policy United Nations Development Programme; **Amr Ragab**, Bureau of Development Policy United Nations Development Programme
- *Post crisis fiscal response from selected sub-saharan african countries, and building a framework for long term sustainable growth*
Mamadou Bobo Diallo, Economic Empowerment Section at UN Women
- *The "Great Recession" and labour: The faltering relations of Growth and Jobs in Turkey*
Erinc Yeldan

Discussants: **Gonzalo Hernandez**, UMass-Amherst; **Mamadou Bobo Diallo**, Economic Empowerment Section at UN Women

11:00 am - 12:20 pm <Conference Room D>

[N17] The Political Economy of the Working Class II: Workers Organizing

Session Organizer and Chair: **Scott Carter**, University of Tulsa

- *Introductory remarks: "We are not organizing workers, we are workers organizing": Reflections on working class consciousness in the 21st century*
Scott Carter, University of Tulsa,
- *The Oklahoma Experiment: A Case Study in Twenty-first Century Capitalism or, Corporatism in Oklahoma: Progressive or Reactionary?*
J.D. Thompson, Labor Policy Institute of Oklahoma
- *Title TBA*
Penny Lewis, Murphy Institute for Worker Education and Labor Studies, CUNY,
- *Title TBA*
Wing Lam, Executive Director, Chinese Staff and Workers Association

Discussion Among Participants

11:00 am - 12:20 pm <Conference Room D>

[N18] Studies of Neoliberalism (JEL Code B)

Session Organizers: **Armagan Gezici**, Keene State College; **Scott Carter**, University of Tulsa
Session Chair: **Michael Meeropol**, John Jay College of Criminal Justice of the City University
of New York

- *Fiscal Policy and Accumulation*
Fletcher Baragar, University of Manitoba; **Robert Chernomas**, University of Manitoba
- *The End of Neoliberalism?*
Melih Yeşilbağ, SUNY Binghamton
- *The New Normal: Persistent Austerity, Declining Democracy and the Globalization of Resistance*
Henry Kelly, Trinity College, Dublin

Discussion Among Participants