



# URPE at EEA Program

New York City, February 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> 2017

## Friday

[A18] Friday 8:00 – 9:20 URPE Panel 1.

### China at the Present Conjuncture

Session Organizer and Session Chair: Ramaa Vasudevan ([ramaa.vasudevan@colostate.edu](mailto:ramaa.vasudevan@colostate.edu), Colorado State University)

1. **“How Capitalist is the Chinese Agriculture Now?”** Zhun Xu ([xuzhunjune@gmail.com](mailto:xuzhunjune@gmail.com), Howard University)
2. **“Renewable Energy Investment and Employment in China,”** Ying Chen ([yingc@newschool.edu](mailto:yingc@newschool.edu), New School for Social Research)
3. **“The Internationalization of the Renminbi and the Evolution of China’s Monetary Policy,”** Ramaa Vasudevan ([ramaa.vasudevan@colostate.edu](mailto:ramaa.vasudevan@colostate.edu), Colorado State University)

Discussion among the panelists

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[A19] Friday 8:00 – 9:20 URPE Panel 15.

### Finance

Session Organizer: Al Campbell ([al@economics.utah.edu](mailto:al@economics.utah.edu))

Session Chair: Ann Davis ([ann.davis@marist.edu](mailto:ann.davis@marist.edu), Marist College)

1. **“Fetishism and Financialisation,”** Ann Davis ([ann.davis@marist.edu](mailto:ann.davis@marist.edu), Marist College)
2. **“An Unwitting Trojan Horse for International Financial Fragility: The IMF's 'New' Institutional View,”** Devin Rafferty ([Devin.T.Rafferty@gmail.com](mailto:Devin.T.Rafferty@gmail.com), St. Peter's University)

Discussion among the panelists

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[B18] Friday 9:30 – 10:50 URPE Panel 2.

### Roundtable on Radical Institutionalism: Finding the Synergies Between Institutional Economics and Radical Political Economy

Session Organizer and Session Chair: Geoffrey Schneider ([gschnedr@bucknell.edu](mailto:gschnedr@bucknell.edu), Bucknell University)



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Ann Davis ([adavisa@gmail.com](mailto:adavisa@gmail.com), Marist College)

Discussion among members of roundtable

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**[C18] Friday 11:00 – 12:20 URPE Panel 3.**

## **Women Economists and Women in Economics (I)**

Session Organizer and Session Chair: Thomas Scheiding ([tscheidi@hawaii.edu](mailto:tscheidi@hawaii.edu), University of Hawai'i)

1. **“Gendering Left Economics: How Richard Ely and Progressive-era Economists Made Economics a Male Profession, and Social Reform a Male Concern,”** Gerald Friedman ([gfriedma@econs.umass.edu](mailto:gfriedma@econs.umass.edu), University of Massachusetts, Amherst)
2. **“Early Women Economists at Columbia University Contributions in the Struggle for Labor Protection in the Lochner Era,”** Clara Mattei ([cm3448@columbia.edu](mailto:cm3448@columbia.edu), Columbia University)
3. **“The Influence and Legacy of Anna Schwartz,”** Thomas Scheiding ([tscheidi@hawaii.edu](mailto:tscheidi@hawaii.edu), University of Hawai'i)
4. **“Class and...: Eleanor Marx, Rosa Luxemburg, and Raya Dunayevskaya on Gender, Race, and Nationality,”** Zoe Sherman ([shermanz@merrimack.edu](mailto:shermanz@merrimack.edu), Merrimack College)

Discussion among panelists of both sessions

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**[D18] Friday 1:00 – 2:20 URPE Panel 4.**

## **Women Economists and Women in Economics (II)**

Session Organizer and Session Chair: Thomas Scheiding ([tscheidi@hawaii.edu](mailto:tscheidi@hawaii.edu), University of Hawai'i)

1. **“The Two Faces of Economic Forecasting in Italy: Vera Cao Pinna and Almerina Ipsevich,”** Marcella Corsi and Giulia Zacchia ([marcella.corsi@uniroma1.it](mailto:marcella.corsi@uniroma1.it) and [giulia.zacchia@gmail.com](mailto:giulia.zacchia@gmail.com), University of Rome)
2. **“French Women Economists on Morality, Desires, Liberty, Independence, and Power in the Early Economic Discourse,”** Edith Kuiper ([kuipere@newpaltz.edu](mailto:kuipere@newpaltz.edu), State University of New York, New Paltz)



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3. **“Introductory Observations to Routledge Handbook of the History of Women’s Economic Thought,”** Kirsten Madden ([kirsten.madden@millersville.edu](mailto:kirsten.madden@millersville.edu), Millersville University)

4. **“Women Economists in Modern China,”** Yue Xiao ([yxiao31@uic.edu](mailto:yxiao31@uic.edu), University of Illinois – Chicago)

Discussion among panelists of both sessions

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**[D19] Friday 1:00 – 2:20 URPE Panel 16.**

## Designing a Heterodox Curriculum

Session Organizer and Session Chair: Ron Baiman ([baiman@sbcglobal.net](mailto:baiman@sbcglobal.net), Benedictine University)

1. **“The Profound Implications of Continuing to Teach 'Supply and Demand' Instead of 'Demand and Cost' in Intro Economics Courses - an Unequal Exchange Application,”** Ron Baiman ([baiman@sbcglobal.net](mailto:baiman@sbcglobal.net), Benedictine University)

2. **“Developing Heterodox Economics Curriculum,”** Geert Dhondt ([geertleodhondt@gmail.com](mailto:geertleodhondt@gmail.com), John Jay College of Criminal Justice)

3. **“Can We Teach an Alternative Introduction to Microeconomics?”** Gerald Friedman ([gfriedma@econs.umass.edu](mailto:gfriedma@econs.umass.edu), University of Massachusetts, Amherst)

4. **“A Classical Political Economy Curriculum,”** Anwar Shaikh ([shaikh@newschool.edu](mailto:shaikh@newschool.edu), New School for Social Research)

Discussants: Scott Cater ([scott-carter@utulsa.edu](mailto:scott-carter@utulsa.edu), University of Tulsa), Fatma Gul Unal ([unalgul@gmail.com](mailto:unalgul@gmail.com), Hobart and William Smith Colleges) Zoe Sherman ([shermanz@merrimack.edu](mailto:shermanz@merrimack.edu), Merrimack College)

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**[E18] Friday 2:30 – 3:50 URPE Panel 5.**

## Undergraduate Research in Political Economy

Session Organizer: Xiao Jiang ([jiangx@denison.edu](mailto:jiangx@denison.edu), Denison University)

Session Chair: Geoffrey Schneider ([gschnedr@bucknell.edu](mailto:gschnedr@bucknell.edu), Bucknell University)

1. **“The Job Guarantee: The Solution to Growing Income Inequality in the United States?”** Katie Scott ([scott\\_k2@denison.edu](mailto:scott_k2@denison.edu), Denison University)

2. **“Prohibition Model: Analyzing Illicit Markets Through Agent-Based Modeling,”** Ansel Schiavone ([schiav\\_a1@denison.edu](mailto:schiav_a1@denison.edu), Denison University)



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3. **“Supplementing Incomes: The Effects of the Affordable Care Act on Reducing Inequality,”** Twisha Asher ([asher\\_t1@denison.edu](mailto:asher_t1@denison.edu), Denison University)

Discussion among the panelists

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[F18] Friday 4:00 – 5:20 URPE Panel 6.

## Transformations in Capitalism

Session Organizer: Al Campbell ([al@economics.utah.edu](mailto:al@economics.utah.edu))

Session Chair: Julio Huato ([juliohuato@gmail.com](mailto:juliohuato@gmail.com), St. Francis College, Brooklyn)

1. **“The Artisan Economy and the New Spirit of Capitalism,”** Kirstin Munro ([munro@pdx.edu](mailto:munro@pdx.edu), Portland State University)

2. **“Self-help and the Economics of Austerity,”** Clara Mattei ([matteic@newschool.edu](mailto:matteic@newschool.edu), New School for Social Research), David Maddy ([madd855@newschool.edu](mailto:madd855@newschool.edu), New School for Social Research)

3. **“Neoliberalism, Crisis and the Far-Right in the Current Stage of Global Capitalism,”** David Fields ([david.mathew.fields@gmail.com](mailto:david.mathew.fields@gmail.com), University of Utah)

4. **“The Deep History of Postwar Global Capitalism,”** Julio Huato ([juliohuato@gmail.com](mailto:juliohuato@gmail.com), St. Francis College, Brooklyn)

Discussants: The panelists and Michael Meeropol ([mameerop@gmail.com](mailto:mameerop@gmail.com), Western New England University)

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**SOIREE FOR RADICAL ECONOMISTS**

*Date:* **Friday, February 24, 2017**

*Place:* **Gossip Restaurant  
733 9th Avenue (between 49th & 50th Streets)**

*Time:* **7:30 pm** *Food and soft-drinks provided!*

*Co-sponsored with:* **URPE** Union for Radical Political Economics & **AESA**



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## Saturday

[G18] Saturday 8:30 – 9:50 URPE Panel 7.

### Trade Theory, Capital Theory, and Classical Economics

Session Organizer: Scott Carter ([scott-carter@utulsa.edu](mailto:scott-carter@utulsa.edu), University of Tulsa)

Session Chair: Katherine Moos ([kmoos@newschool.edu](mailto:kmoos@newschool.edu), New School for Social Research)

1. **“Unequal Exchange or Absolute Cost Advantage? Evidence from the Trade Between Greece and Germany,”** Persefoni Tsaliki ([ptsaliki@econ.auth.gr](mailto:ptsaliki@econ.auth.gr), Aristotle University of Thessaloniki), Lefteris Tsoulfidis ([Lint@uom.edu.gr](mailto:Lint@uom.edu.gr), University of Macedonia)
2. **“Pasinetti on Economic Growth and Structural Change,”** Gary Mongiovi ([mongiovg@stjohns.edu](mailto:mongiovg@stjohns.edu), St John’s University) and Davide Gualerzi ([davide.gualerzi@unipd.it](mailto:davide.gualerzi@unipd.it), Università di Padova)
3. **“Capital Theory: Less is More,”** Lefteris Tsoulfidis ([Lint@uom.edu.gr](mailto:Lint@uom.edu.gr), University of Macedonia)
4. **“Sraffa and the Configuration of Exchange in subsistence and surplus production: New Evidence from the Sraffa Archive,”** Scott Carter ([scott-carter@utulsa.edu](mailto:scott-carter@utulsa.edu), U of Tulsa)

*Discussants:* John Sarich ([john.sarich@gmail.com](mailto:john.sarich@gmail.com), New York City Department of Finance), Anwar Shaikh ([shaikh@newschool.edu](mailto:shaikh@newschool.edu), New School for Social Research), Scott Carter ([scott-carter@utulsa.edu](mailto:scott-carter@utulsa.edu), University of Tulsa), Gary Mongiovi ([mongiovg@stjohns.edu](mailto:mongiovg@stjohns.edu), St John’s University)

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[G19] Saturday 8:30 – 9:50 URPE Panel 17.

### Capitalism: Roots, Productivity, Food Insecurity, Time Deficits and Poverty

Session Organizer: Al Campbell ([al@economics.utah.edu](mailto:al@economics.utah.edu))

Session Chair: Ajit Zacharias ([zacharia@levy.org](mailto:zacharia@levy.org), Levy Economics Institute of Bard College)

1. **“Paradigms in Conflict: A Comparison of the Economic Organization of Pre-Columbian America and Europe.”** Sergia Coffey ([sergiatom@yahoo.com](mailto:sergiatom@yahoo.com), SUNY Empire State College)
2. **“Does Higher Productivity Pay Off? A firm-level Analysis of Earnings Inequalities in Egypt,”** Amr Ragab ([amragab@gmail.com](mailto:amragab@gmail.com), Doha Institute)
3. **“An Examination of the Determinants of Food Insecurity in Greece,”** Charalampos Konstantinidis ([Konstantinidis@umb.edu](mailto:Konstantinidis@umb.edu), University of Massachusetts, Boston)



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4. **“Time Deficits and Poverty in Ghana and Tanzania: A New Perspective,”** Ajit Zacharias ([zacharia@levy.org](mailto:zacharia@levy.org), Levy Economics Institute of Bard College)

Discussion among the panelists

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**[H18] Saturday 10:00 – 11:20 URPE Panel 8.**

## Political Economy of Racism

Session Organizer: Scott Carter ([scott-carter@utulsa.edu](mailto:scott-carter@utulsa.edu), University of Tulsa)

Session Chair: Tazewell Hurst ([thurst@iamaw.org](mailto:thurst@iamaw.org), International Association of Machinists)

1. **"Wherein Lies the Fertile Ground for Racial Equality? An Analysis of the Spatial Relationship between Inequality, Segregation, and Racial Wealth Disparities,"** Johan Andres Uribe ([uribej@denison.edu](mailto:uribej@denison.edu), Denison University)

2. **"Revisiting Bergmann's Occupational Crowding Model,"** Michelle Holder ([mholder@jjay.cuny.edu](mailto:mholder@jjay.cuny.edu), John Jay College of Criminal Justice)

Discussant: Nancy Breen ([breenn@mail.nih.gov](mailto:breenn@mail.nih.gov), National Institute of Health)

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**[I18] Saturday 1:00 – 2:20 URPE Panel 9.**

## The Effects of Gender and Race on Economic Outcomes

Session Organizer: Al Campbell ([al@economics.utah.edu](mailto:al@economics.utah.edu))

Session Chair: Paddy Quick ([paddyquick8@gmail.com](mailto:paddyquick8@gmail.com), St. Francis College, Brooklyn)

1. **“What’s wealth got to do with it? A two-tiered model of racialized wealth accumulation,”** Johan Uribe ([uribej@denison.edu](mailto:uribej@denison.edu), Denison University)

2. **“Women’s Tertiary Education Masks the Gender Wage Gap in Turkey,”** S. Deger Eryar ([deger.eryar@gmail.com](mailto:deger.eryar@gmail.com), Izmir University of Economics, Turkey)

3. **“Does an Increase in Women's Labor Force Participation Constitute a Reduction in the Oppression of Women?”** Paddy Quick ([paddyquick8@gmail.com](mailto:paddyquick8@gmail.com), St. Francis College, Brooklyn)

Discussion among the panelists

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**[J18] Saturday 2:30 – 3:50 URPE Panel 10.**

## The Effects of Power, Class and Community of Economic Outcomes

Session Organizer: Al Campbell ([al@economics.utah.edu](mailto:al@economics.utah.edu))

Session Chair: Jessica Carrick-Hagenbarth ([jess.caren@gmail.com](mailto:jess.caren@gmail.com), SUNY, Cortland)



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- 1. **“Power and Environment - Political Economy of Environment Revisited,”** An Li ([anli.chinapr@gmail.com](mailto:anli.chinapr@gmail.com), University of Massachusetts, Amherst)
- 2. **“Social class and disaster exposure,”** Lopamudra Banerjee ([lbannerjee@bennington.edu](mailto:lbannerjee@bennington.edu), Bennington College)
- 3. **“Community-Driven Development in Brazil's Northeast: Sources of Subproject Failure,”** Jessica Carrick-Hagenbarth ([jess.caren@gmail.com](mailto:jess.caren@gmail.com), SUNY, Cortland)

Discussion among the panelists

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**[K18] Saturday 4:00 – 5:20 URPE Panel 11.**

## Marx and Money

Session Organizer: Al Campbell ([al@economics.utah.edu](mailto:al@economics.utah.edu))

Session Chair: TBA

- 1. **“Analytical Foundations of a Marxian Circuit of Capital Model and Its Applications to Regime Analysis,”** Takashi Satoh ([satoh@oita-u.ac.jp](mailto:satoh@oita-u.ac.jp), Oita University, Japan)
- 2. **“Marx on the 19th Century Gold Standard,”** Laurence Krause ([krausel@oldwestbury.edu](mailto:krausel@oldwestbury.edu), SUNY, The College at Old Westbury)

Discussion among the panelists

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## URPE Cocktail Reception in Central Park Ballroom 7pm-9pm (all conference attendees welcome!)

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## Sunday

**[L18] Sunday 8:30 – 9:50 URPE Panel 12.**

## Profit Studies

Session Organizer: Al Campbell ([al@economics.utah.edu](mailto:al@economics.utah.edu))

Session Chair: Armagan Gezici ([agezici@keene.edu](mailto:agezici@keene.edu), Keene State College)

- 1. **“Technical Change and the Rate of Profit When Production is Driven by Price--Value Deviation,”** Hyun Woong Park ([ppphw@gmail.com](mailto:ppphw@gmail.com), Allegheny College)





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2. **“DuPont Formula Profit Rate Equalization Model,”** Neil Boyle ([neilboyle007@gmail.com](mailto:neilboyle007@gmail.com), NSSR)

3. **“Profits of the U.S. Nonfinancial Corporations,”** Armagan Gezici ([agezici@keene.edu](mailto:agezici@keene.edu), Keene State College)

4. **“The Profit Doctrine: The Economists of the Neoliberal Era,”** Robert Chernomas ([chernoma@cc.umanitoba.ca](mailto:chernoma@cc.umanitoba.ca), University of Manitoba)

Discussion among the panelists

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**[M18] Sunday 10:00 – 11:20 URPE Panel 13.**

## **Keynes and Post-Keynesian Analyses**

Session Organizer: Al Campbell ([al@economics.utah.edu](mailto:al@economics.utah.edu))

Session Chair: Mona Ali ([alim@newpaltz.edu](mailto:alim@newpaltz.edu), State University of New York, New Paltz)

1. **“Keynes: New Vs Old,”** Rohit Azad ([rohitf@newschool.edu](mailto:rohitf@newschool.edu), New School of Social Research)

2. **“A Supermultiplier Stock-Flow Consistent Model: the "return" of the paradoxes of thrift and costs in the long run?”** Lídia Brochier ([lidiabrochier@gmail.com](mailto:lidiabrochier@gmail.com), University of Campinas, Brazil)

3. **“A Post-Keynesian Model of Rent Seeking,”** Kurt von Seekamm ([kvonseekamm@salemstate.edu](mailto:kvonseekamm@salemstate.edu), Salem State University)

Discussion among the panelists

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**[M19] Sunday 10:00 – 11:20 URPE Panel 18.**

## **Social and Economic Development in the Caribbean: Current Issues and Perspectives**

Session Organizer: Orlando Justo ([orlandojusto@gmail.com](mailto:orlandojusto@gmail.com), CUNY, BMCC)

Session Chair: Rex McKenzie ([rexmck@gmail.com](mailto:rexmck@gmail.com), Kingston University, UK)

1. **“Cuba-U.S. New Relations: Economic Consequences for the Caribbean Area,”** Orlando Justo ([orlandojusto@gmail.com](mailto:orlandojusto@gmail.com), CUNY, BMCC)

2. **“BREXIT: Economic Consequences for the Caribbean Community (CARICOM),”** Paul Clement ([paul\\_clement@fitnyc.edu](mailto:paul_clement@fitnyc.edu), SUNY, FIT)





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3. **“Financial Dependency in Costa Rica,”** Alejandro Alonso Quirós ([K1551609@kingston.ac.uk](mailto:K1551609@kingston.ac.uk), Kingston University, UK)

4. **“Social & Economic Sources of Homicide/Murder in Latin America and the Caribbean – Three Country Case Studies,”** Rex McKenzie ([rexmck@gmail.com](mailto:rexmck@gmail.com), Kingston University, UK)

Discussion among the panelists

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**[N18] Sunday 11:30 – 12:50 URPE Panel 14.**

## **Trade, Real Exchange Rates and Balance of Payments**

Session Organizer: Al Campbell ([al@economics.utah.edu](mailto:al@economics.utah.edu))

Session Chair: Mona Ali ([alim@newpaltz.edu](mailto:alim@newpaltz.edu), State University of New York, New Paltz)

1. **“Real Exchange Rate and Economic Growth in Semi-industrialized Economies,”** Tanadej Vechnuruck ([tanadejv@gmail.com](mailto:tanadejv@gmail.com), University of Utah)

2. **“The Labor Costs of Globalization,”** Aman Bardia ([abardia@gm.slc.edu](mailto:abardia@gm.slc.edu), Sarah Lawrence College)

3. **“The Consigliere: Monetary Power and the British Balance of Payments,”** Mona Ali ([alim@newpaltz.edu](mailto:alim@newpaltz.edu), State University of New York, New Paltz)

Discussion among the panelists

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## **2017-18 URPE Dissertation Fellowship**

The Union for Radical Political Economics invites doctoral candidates in any discipline with an approved dissertation proposal in the area of radical political economics to apply for the URPE Dissertation Fellowship.

The URPE dissertation fellow will receive \$5,000 to support their dissertation writing during the 2017-18 academic year. Applicants are asked to submit:

- 1) A cover letter describing their background in radical political economics and explaining how the fellowship would contribute to the completion of their dissertation;
- 2) Curriculum Vitae;
- 3) Their approved dissertation proposal;
- 4) Two letters of reference (one of which should be from the dissertation committee chair).

Questions and application material should be submitted by email to [urpe@urpe.org](mailto:urpe@urpe.org). Letters of reference should be submitted directly by the letter writer. Deadline for submissions is May 31, 2017. The recipient will be announced by July 1, 2017.



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**Call for Papers - URPE @ ASSA**

**Philadelphia, January 5-7, 2018**

URPE invites proposals for complete sessions and individual papers for the URPE at ASSA annual meeting. URPE welcomes proposals on radical political economic theory and applied analysis from a wide variety of theoretical perspectives. The deadline for proposed papers and sessions is **May 1, 2017**.

Proposals for complete sessions are encouraged and should include the session title, a brief description of each paper, and the names, institutional affiliations, and email addresses of the chair, discussants, and presenters. Proposals for sessions should contain four papers. If you are proposing a complete session, please try to arrange to have discussants for your papers and a chair for your session. As the organizer of this session, you are responsible for conveying administrative information to session members, including confirmation that the session has been accepted, the time and location, and the deadlines for distributing papers.

Proposals for individual papers should include the title, the abstract, and the author's name, institutional affiliation, and email. Individual papers that are accepted will be assigned to sessions and each session will have an assigned organizer. Individuals whose papers are accepted may also be asked to serve as a discussant in a different session at the meetings.

We regret that high quality individual papers may be turned down due to the inability to place them in a session with papers with similar themes. The number of sessions we can have is limited by ASSA, and we regret that high quality session proposals may also have to be turned down.

You should receive word from URPE about the decision on your session or paper by late June. The date and time of sessions are assigned by the AEA at the end of August.

Please note that anyone who presents a paper (but not the chairs or discussants) must be a current member of URPE at the time of submission of the paper or panel proposal. Submissions are checked, anyone not current with their dues is notified, and then proposals are deleted if membership is not made current.

Details, including submission links and membership information are available at [www.urpe.org](http://www.urpe.org).

Proposals submitted after the May 1 deadline will not be considered.

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## URPE @ Left Forum 2017 (URPE sessions at the Left Forum)

June 2 – 4, 2017 John Jay College of Criminal Justice, The City University of New York

The Left Forum is the largest conference in the US that in a major way spans, or bridges, the common activist/academic/intellectual divide. The call for this year’s Left Forum has gone out. If you Google “Left Forum” or go to [www.leftforum.org](http://www.leftforum.org), you will see information concerning the upcoming conference.

The basics for this year are that it will be June 2 – 4, at John Jay College (CUNY) in NYC. Every year URPE members participate in the Left Forum. We organize an URPE @ Left Forum set of URPE sponsored and co-sponsored panels, and in addition URPE members participate in other panels. Provided there are enough participants (which there have always been in past years), people presenting in the URPE @ Left Forum panels (like all organized groups) receive a large registration discount. There is a discount for anyone registering individually early by April 7 to \$65 for the 3 days (the onsite registration price is not yet published but is significantly more). Participants registering though us for the URPE @ Left Forum panels there, again by April 7, pay only \$35. (Note any student with an ID can register for \$20, and any member of the John Jay community for \$15.) Those who think they might go should start to talk now about forming a panel to others with similar interests who might go and present. We have two different (simple!) online submission forms. For those of you that have a group of 3 or more that want to present a session, use the session submission form. For those of you that have an individual presentation to present, use the individual presentation submission form, and we will work to match your presentation with other related individually submitted presentations.

NOTE: if you submit on-line to URPE @ Left Forum, you do not need submit to the Left Forum directly as well – we make panels out of presentation submissions to us (if at all possible), and then we submit all those panels, along all submissions to us of whole panels, as a group to the Left Forum. More information can be found at [www.urpe.org](http://www.urpe.org).

As every year, members from the URPE Steering Committee are happy to work with anyone building a panel, to discuss any ideas or answer any questions about the conference. This year please contact Al Campbell ([al@economics.utah.edu](mailto:al@economics.utah.edu)) or Paul Cooney ([pcooney@ufpa.br](mailto:pcooney@ufpa.br)).

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## URPE Brooklyn Conference

### Left-Wing Economics in a Right- Wing Political Climate

April 8, 2017

St. Francis College, Brooklyn NY

The Conference will bring together the theoretical perspectives of radical political economics and the organizational experiences of those engaged in struggle on the many crucial issues confronting us today. It will, we hope, contribute to the development of an agenda that can guide all of us in the difficult years ahead.



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The URPE Brooklyn Conference has as its main goal the urgent need to confront the Trump administration. It is not, therefore, a “traditional” academic conference that provides URPE members with an opportunity to present their work to other economists, generally in the form of “academic” papers that are, necessarily, somewhat narrow in content. Instead it should be seen as a working day, to be used for discussion of what needs to be done. Specifically, it is structured to provide ways for those familiar with radical political economic theory to identify how this can contribute to the development of such policies and for those actively involved in political activity to identify the needs that they are facing in building our struggle.

People who register for the conference are therefore asked to name the workshops that they wish to participate in, and whether they would be willing to act as facilitators in these workshops. It is expected that there will be from 2-4 such facilitators for each workshop. The task of facilitators is three-fold:

- To provide an introduction to the topic of the workshop in the form of an overview either of relevant radical political economic theory (such as might be used at the start of a course) or of the work of those actively engaged in struggle on these issues and the challenges they face in confronting the misperceptions of the general public, and mobilizing them for action. (It is expected that each these presentations will take no more than 20 minutes.)
- To organize a discussion among those attending each workshop in which everyone is expected to share their ideas. It should not be assumed that the facilitators have more “expertise” than others. At least one person should be assigned to take notes on the discussion.
- To develop a comprehensive summary of the ideas presented at the workshop (including areas of both agreement and disagreement) that will be presented to the final plenary. While one person will generally be assigned the responsibility for this presentation, its content should be the result of a collective decision (probably in the last 15 minutes of the workshop), and as such be approved by the workshop as a whole.

The final plenary, at which these workshops will be presented will, of course, allow for discussion. It will be followed by an informal “cocktail hour” to allow people to meet together informally and identify ways in which they can work together.

**Workshops** The following is a preliminary listing of possible workshops topics:

***Trump’s fiscal policy (tax policy and infrastructure spending)***

***Income distribution: wages vs. profits***

***The Fight for \$15 and other labor issues***

***Workplace organization – unions today***

***Immigration and global capitalism***

***Community organization and cooperatives***

***Health care after Obamacare***

***Student debt and the state of higher education***

***Households and the care economy***

***Black Lives Matter***

***Climate change and the environment***



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It is assumed that all workshops will recognize the class, gender, and racial/ethnic dimensions of issues. All URPE members, friends of URPE, and those whose work (not limited to that in educational institutions) involves the development and presentation of radical political economic theory, are invited to contribute to the presentation of radical political economic theory. The conference organizers also ask for help in soliciting input to the workshops from the activists whose work provides us with direction for our collective struggle.

Register at [www.urpe.org](http://www.urpe.org)

**Suggested Registration Fee**

Early registration: \$30 per person; \$15 for students.

Late registration (after March 18): \$35 per person, \$20 for students.

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## CALL FOR PAPERS: URPE@SEA Deadline March 31, 2017

URPE is organizing sessions at this year's annual meeting of the Southern Economic Association.

The conference will be held in Tampa, FL at the Marriott Waterside Hotel & Marina, November 17-19, 2017 (Friday to Sunday).

Please submit paper and/or session proposals to Scott Carter through [www.urpe.org](http://www.urpe.org).

Thanks,  
Scott

Scott Carter  
Associate Professor of Economics, The University of Tulsa  
URPE Steering Committee member



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Dear URPE supporter:

If you have not yet become a member of URPE, then this letter is for you. People find their way to URPE through many channels including academic and professional networks, conferences, and our online community.

URPE, which is the sum of its members' activities, has been dedicated for the past 49 years to advancing a humane, critical analysis of real-world economic systems. Radical political economy has fought to be heard within the economics profession. URPE has played an essential role in providing opportunities for publication and discussion of ideas that go against the grain of conventional economic thinking. URPE, to be effective, needs as large a number as possible of active members.

It is important to stress the need for formal membership (which costs \$20 per year at minimum). We are only truly stronger when we are together. We are a small professional association within our discipline and our growth as an organization can only serve to increase our influence within our field. Increasing our influence, which is a primary mission of URPE, has historically been necessary, but perhaps more so now that here in the U.S., and abroad, conservative decision makers are making great gains in their access to power. As a network of radical political economists who are organized, we can offer alternative solutions to social and economic problems. We hope that all who identify with URPE, but are not now members, will decide to join us, both by paying dues and by participating in the activities of the organization.

In Solidarity,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Frances Boyes", is placed above the printed name.

Frances Boyes  
URPE Coordinator

**Membership dues and renewals can be processed securely online at:  
[www.urpe.org/about/join.html](http://www.urpe.org/about/join.html)**