2021 URPE AT THE ASSAS
SUNDAY, JANUARY 3RD – TUESDAY, JANUARY 5TH

Sunday, January 3rd

1. Decolonizing Economics: A Guide to Theory and Practice
Paper Session
Sunday, Jan. 3, 2021  10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (EST)
Hosted By: UNION FOR RADICAL POLITICAL ECONOMICS
Chair: Ingrid Kvangraven, University of York

JEL Classifications
A2 - Economic Education and Teaching of Economics
B5 - Current Heterodox Approaches

The Decolonization and Diversity Agenda
Devika Dutt, University of Massachusetts-Amherst

The Colonization of Economics
Carolina Alves, University of Cambridge

What Gets Lost in a Eurocentric Understanding of Economics? Insights from a Decolonized Economics
Surbhi Kesar, Azim Premji University

Decolonizing Research and Pedagogy: A Practical Proposal
Ingrid Kvangraven, University of York

2. Labor Policy & Visions for the Green New Deal
Paper Session
Sunday, Jan. 3, 2021  10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (EST)
Hosted By: UNION FOR RADICAL POLITICAL ECONOMICS
Chair: Fadhel Kaboub, Denison University

JEL Classifications
J2 - Demand and Supply of Labor
B5 - Current Heterodox Approaches
Transitioning into Employment: Sectoral and Relative Wage Changes since the Great Recession  
Kyle Mohr, University of Missouri-Kansas City  
Tyler Feaver, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Labor Policy within the Green New Deal: Addressing Persistent Intergroup Inequality  
Jordan Ayala, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Connecting Economic Policy with Disparities-Focused Quality Improvement to Promote Health Equity  
Natalie Kane, Children's Mercy Research Institute

Evaluating the Real Resource Affordability of the GND  
Yeva Nersisyan, Franklin & Marshall College  
L. Randall Wray, Levy Economics Institute of Bard College

3. 23rd Annual David Gordon Memorial Lecture  
Panel Session  
Sunday, Jan. 3, 2021  12:15 PM - 2:15 PM (EST)  
Hosted By: UNION FOR RADICAL POLITICAL ECONOMICS  
Chair: Zoe Sherman, Merrimack College

JEL Classifications  
P1 - Capitalist Systems  
B5 - Current Heterodox Approaches

Panelist: Michael Hudson, University of Missouri-Kansas City  
Topic: Has Finance Capitalism Destroyed Industrial Capitalism?  
Discussant: Josh Mason, John Jay College of Criminal Justice

4. Racialized and Gendered Impacts of COVID-19  
Paper Session  
Sunday, Jan. 3, 2021  3:45 PM - 5:45 PM (EST)  
Hosted By: UNION FOR RADICAL POLITICAL ECONOMICS  
Chair: Jennifer Cohen, Miami University

JEL Classifications  
J1 - Demographic Economics  
B5 - Current Heterodox Approaches
COVID's Early Impact on Joblessness Among African American Women  
Michelle Holder, John Jay College of Criminal Justice  
Thomas Masterson, Levy Economics Institute of Bard College

COVID-19 and Employment Losses for the Disabled: An Intersectional Approach  
Yana van der Meulen Rodgers, Rutgers University  
Douglas Kruse, Rutgers University  
Lisa Schur, Rutgers University

The Crisis in The Crisis: Women Healthcare Workers' Mental Health  
Jennifer Cohen, Miami University

A Racially Inclusive Recovery to the COVID-19 Pandemic  
Darrick Hamilton, Ohio State University

5. The Political Economy of China: Institutions, Policies, and Role in the Global Economy  
Paper Session  
Sunday, Jan. 3, 2021  3:45 PM - 5:45 PM (EST)  
Hosted By: UNION FOR RADICAL POLITICAL ECONOMICS  
Chair: Zhongjin Li, University of Missouri-Kansas City

JEL Classifications  
F5 - International Relations, National Security, and International Political Economy  
B5 - Current Heterodox Approaches

China’s Neoliberal Reform: An Ongoing Process of Privatization  
Yang Zhan, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University  
Ying Chen, The New School

China: Imperialism or Semi-Periphery?  
Minqi Li, University of Utah

Is China Imperialist? Economy, State and Insertion in the Global System  
Zhongjin Li, University of Missouri-Kansas City  
David Kotz, University of Massachusetts-Amherst

How China Escaped Shock Therapy: The Market Reform Debate  
Isabella Weber, University of Massachusetts-Amherst
Discussants:
Steve Cohen, Knox College
Chiara Piovani, University of Denver

Monday, January 4th

6. Profits, Class, and Income Distribution
Paper Session
Monday, Jan. 4, 2021  10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (EST)
Hosted By: UNION FOR RADICAL POLITICAL ECONOMICS
Chair: Gilbert Skillman, Wesleyan University

JEL Classifications
D3 - Distribution
B5 - Current Heterodox Approaches

The Empirical Relevance of Okishio's Theorem
Bangxi Li, Tsinghua University
Shan Gu, Tsinghua University
Junshang Liang, University of Massachusetts-Amherst

Production of Commodities by Means of Commodities and Labor
Gilbert Skillman, Wesleyan University

Hypothetically Decoupling the Chinese Economy from the United States: A Marxian Analysis Based on the World Input-Output Database
Lijun Su, Nankai University
Junshang Liang, University of Massachusetts-Amherst

How Does Globalization Affect Equilibriums in Labor-Capital Game? An Empirical-Historical Analysis
Tetsuya Tamura, Ritsumeikan University
Natsuka Tokumaru, Ritsumeikan University

7. Reimagining a Sustainable Economy
Paper Session
Monday, Jan. 4, 2021  10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (EST)
Hosted By: UNION FOR RADICAL POLITICAL ECONOMICS
Chair: Gabriel Mathy, American University
JEL Classifications
Q5 - Environmental Economics
B5 - Current Heterodox Approaches

A Regional Place-Based Strategy for the Green New Deal: Breaking the Trumpist Coalition
Don Goldstein, Allegheny College

Economic Stagnation and the Infrastructure of Care
Christina Jenq, World Bank Africa Poverty and Equity Global Practice

Funding the Green New Deal and Stabilizing an Unstable Economy: Functional Finance Nominal Income Targeting
Gabriel Mathy, American University

Comparing the Ecological Thinking of Marx and Veblen: Who Had the Better Foresight?
Hendrik Van den Berg, University of Massachusetts-Amherst

Discussants:
Gabriel Mathy, American University
Jooyeoun Suh, AARP
Don Goldstein, Allegheny College
Jon Wisman, American University

8. Capitalism, Work and Identity

Paper Session
Monday, Jan. 4, 2021 12:15 PM - 2:15 PM (EST)
Hosted By: UNION FOR RADICAL POLITICAL ECONOMICS & INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR FEMINIST ECONOMICS
Chair: Shaianne Osterreich, Ithaca College

JEL Classifications
J3 - Wages, Compensation, and Labor Costs
B5 - Current Heterodox Approaches

The Oppressive Nexus of Socioeconomic Status and Gender in Egyptian Society: A Marxist Exposition
Stephanie Attar, University of Massachusetts-Amherst
Unpaid Work in Non-Capitalist Spaces in India: Contesting the Gendered Understandings
Surbhi Kesar, Azim Premji University
Rosa Abraham, Azim Premji University
Amit Basole, Azim Premji University

Norms and Specialization in Household Production: Evidence from a Danish Parental Leave Reform
Anne Sophie Lassen, Copenhagen Business School

The Impact of a Donald Trump Election: How a Change in Perceived Discrimination Affects Substance Use
Teresa Perry, Colorado State University

Space, Time, and Religious Identity: Women’s Mobility in India and Pakistan
Abhilasha Srivastava, Bridgewater State University
Zehra Aftab, American University
Fareena Malhi, American University

9. Topics in Macroeconomics
Paper Session
Monday, Jan. 4, 2021  12:15 PM - 2:15 PM (EST)
Hosted By: UNION FOR RADICAL POLITICAL ECONOMICS
Chair: Matías Vernengo, Bucknell University

JEL Classifications
E6 - Macroeconomic Policy, Macroeconomic Aspects of Public Finance, and General Outlook
B5 - Current Heterodox Approaches

Debt-Led Growth and Its Financial Fragility
Joana Avritzer, Connecticut College

Fiscal Policy Rules, Tax Incidence, Conflicting Claims over Distribution and the Sraffian Supermultiplier
Gabriel Aidar, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro

How Do You Feel about Going Green?
Marwil Dávila, Bucknell University

Public Debt after the Great Shutdown
Matías Vernengo, Bucknell University
10. Diversity in Heterodox Economics: Radical Solutions for an Old Problem
Panel Session
Monday, Jan. 4, 2021  3:45 PM - 5:45 PM (EST)
Hosted By: UNION FOR RADICAL POLITICAL ECONOMICS
Chair: Hanna Szymborska, Birmingham City University

JEL Classifications
A2 - Economic Education and Teaching of Economics
B5 - Current Heterodox Approaches

Panelist(s):
Lee Badgett, University of Massachusetts-Amherst
Nina Elizabeth Banks, Bucknell University
Lynne Chester, University of Sydney
Jayati Ghosh, Jawaharlal Nehru University
Sabelo J Ndlovu-Gatsheni, University of South Africa
Linwood Tauheed, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Moderators:
Ariane Agunsoye, Goldsmiths University of London
Surbhi Kesar, Azim Premji University
Ingrid Kvangraven, University of York
Hanna Szymborska, Birmingham City University

URPE Membership Meeting
Event
Monday, Jan. 4, 2021  6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (EST)
Hosted By: UNION FOR RADICAL POLITICAL ECONOMICS

URPE Caucus of Women and Non-binary people
Event
Monday, Jan. 4, 2021  7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (EST)
Hosted By: UNION FOR RADICAL POLITICAL ECONOMICS

Tuesday, January 5th

11. Capitalism Post Coronavirus
Paper Session
Tuesday, Jan. 5, 2021  10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (EST)
Hosted By: UNION FOR RADICAL POLITICAL ECONOMICS
Chair: Ron Baiman, Benedictine University

JEL Classifications
I1 - Health
B5 - Current Heterodox Approaches

*Emergency Comprehensive Testing Could Have Mitigated United States COVID-19 Pandemic Catastrophe: Emergency Solar Radiation Management May Be Our Only Hope to Mitigate Future Global Climate Crisis Disaster*
Ron Baiman, Benedictine University

*A Marxian Analysis of the Cyclical, Structural, and Systemic Dimensions of the COVID19 Crisis*
Sergio Cámara Izquierdo, Autonomous Metropolitan University-Azcapotzalco

*COVID-19s: The Alternative Future to Implementing the Green New Deal (and more)*
Robert B. Williams, Guilford College

*Building Equity through Green New Deal Programs Focused on Eliminating Lead Poisoning*
Neal Wilson, University of Missouri-Kansas City

12. **Information and Financial Strategies by Capitalist Enterprises**

Paper Session
Tuesday, Jan. 5, 2021  10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (EST)
Hosted By: UNION FOR RADICAL POLITICAL ECONOMICS
Chair: Leila Davis, University of Massachusetts-Boston

JEL Classifications
L1 - Market Structure, Firm Strategy, and Market Performance
B5 - Current Heterodox Approaches

*Long-Term Stock Returns and Market Inefficiency: Insights from Information Theory*
Emanuele Citera, The New School

*Churning and Profitability in the United States Corporate Sector*
Leila Davis, University of Massachusetts-Boston
Joao de Souza, University of Massachusetts-Boston
Direct Mail Marketing, Data Mining, and the United States Information Economy, 1900-1920
Zoe Sherman, Merrimack College

Revisiting the External Financial Dependence Index in Light of the Rise of Corporate Net Lending: What Do We Really Measure?
Davide Villani, The Open University

Paper Session
Tuesday, Jan. 5, 2021  12:15 PM - 2:15 PM (EST)
Hosted By: UNION FOR RADICAL POLITICAL ECONOMICS
Chair: Magnus Ryner, King's College London

JEL Classifications
F5 - International Relations, National Security, and International Political Economy
B5 - Current Heterodox Approaches

Towards a Feminist Green New Deal
Marcella Corsi, Sapienza University of Rome
Giulia Zacchia, Sapienza University of Rome

The Macroeconomics of a European Green New Deal and the German Question
Magnus Ryner, King's College London

Eastern Constraints – A European Green New Deal and the EU’s Relation with Russia
Gonzalo Pozo Martin, Stockholm University

Geoeconomics of the Crisis
Alan Cafruny, Hamilton College

Paper Session
Tuesday, Jan. 5, 2021  12:15 PM - 2:15 PM (EST)
Hosted By: UNION FOR RADICAL POLITICAL ECONOMICS & INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR FEMINIST ECONOMICS
Chair: Yana van der Meulen Rodgers, Rutgers University
JEL Classifications
E6 - Macroeconomic Policy, Macroeconomic Aspects of Public Finance, and General Outlook
B5 - Current Heterodox Approaches

Essential, Exposed and Still Unequal: Women, Work and COVID-19 in the United States
Randy Albelda, University of Massachusetts-Boston

Industrial Policy and Gender Inclusivity
Stephanie Seguino, University of Vermont

The Macroeconomics of Women’s Economic Empowerment: A Macro-Micro Analysis of Gender Segregation and Job Quality in Developing Countries
Elissa Braunstein, Colorado State University
Diksha Arora, Colorado State University
Stephanie Seguino, University of Vermont

The COVID-19 Lockdown in India: Gender and Caste Dimensions of the First Job Losses
Ashwini Deshpande, Ashoka University

Work Time Matters for Mental Health: A Gender Analysis of Paid and Unpaid Labor
Chiara Piovani, University of Denver
Nursel Aydiner-Avsar, Akdeniz University

Discussant: James Heintz, University of Massachusetts – Amherst

15. Informalization

Paper Session
Tuesday, Jan. 5, 2021 3:45 PM - 5:45 PM (EST)
Hosted By: UNION FOR RADICAL POLITICAL ECONOMICS
Chair: Thomas Masterson, Levy Economics Institute of Bard College

JEL Classifications
P1 - Capitalist Systems
B5 - Current Heterodox Approaches

The Hindutva Rate of Growth: Austerity, Crises and Informalization
Aman Bardia, The New School

Is Informality a Barrier to Sustainable Development?
Gökçer Özgür, Gettysburg College
Adem Yavuz Elveren, Fitchburg State University
Ceyhun Elgin, Columbia University and Bogazici University

The Impact of Redistributing the Responsibility for Household Work on Time and Consumption Poverty: Simulations for Four Countries in Sub-Saharan Africa
Thomas Masterson, Levy Economics Institute of Bard College
Ajit Zacharias, Levy Economics Institute of Bard College
Fernando Rios-Avila, Levy Economics Institute of Bard College
Luiza Nassif-Pires, Levy Economics Institute of Bard College

Need or Accumulation? Agrarian Change in Southern Haryana: A Field-Based Study
Srishti Yadav, The New School

16. Post Capitalist Futures
Paper Session
Tuesday, Jan. 5, 2021  3:45 PM - 5:45 PM (EST)
Hosted By: UNION FOR RADICAL POLITICAL ECONOMICS
Chair: Ann Davis, Marist College

JEL Classifications
C6 - Mathematical Methods; Programming Models; Mathematical and Simulation Modeling
B5 - Current Heterodox Approaches

An Evolutionary Theory of Capabilities and Sustainability
Jacob Assa, United Nations Development Programme

The Anthropocene: Implications for Scientific (and/or Capitalist) Revolution
Ann Davis, Marist College

Computer Simulation Experiments of Participatory Annual Planning
Robin Hahnel, Portland State University
Mitchell Szczepanczyk, OpenMarkets
Michael Weisdorf, Portland State University

Morishima’s Optimum Values: A Moore-Penrose Pseudo-inverse Approach
Bangxi Li, Tsinghua University
Yihan Zhao, Tsinghua University