

**2021 URPE AT THE ASSAS  
SUNDAY, JANUARY 3<sup>RD</sup> – TUESDAY, JANUARY 5<sup>TH</sup>**

**Sunday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>**

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 4<sup>th</sup>**

*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: Shaienne 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 5<sup>th</sup>**

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

13. Political-Economic Conditions for Social Ecological Transformation: Reflections on EuroMemorandum 2020

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

14. Women and Work: Macro Policies, Shocks and the Gendered Nature of Work

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 Aydinler-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