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NYSEA Conference 2019
St. John Fisher College
3690 East Ave, Rochester, NY 14618
September 27-28, 2019

Friday Events:  *Friday with the St. Louis Fed*

2-6 pm – Pre-conference FRED workshop – Salerno 104

6 pm – Opening Reception – Cleary Auditorium, St. John Fisher College

7 pm – Dinner and Remarks – Cleary Auditorium, St. John Fisher College

*Economic Information from the House of FRED™*

Dr. Mary Suiter, Assistant Vice President, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis

Saturday Events and Sessions:

7:30 am – Breakfast -- Cleary Auditorium

7:55 am – Welcome & Announcements

8:15 am – Concurrent Sessions Begin – Wegman’s School of Nursing

**BLOCK A  Saturday  8:15 – 9:35am**

Session A1 – **UG Paper Competition** -- *sponsored by Lumen Learning* -- Della Sue, Chair

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**Gold Prices: The Movement, Source of Change, and Relation to The Gold Standard**

Author: Emily Weinert, Sienna College,  er11wein@siena.edu

Discussants: Jeff Wagner, Rochester Institute of Technology, jeffrey.wagner@rit.edu

Robert Culp, Dalton State College, rculp@daltonstate.edu

and Rick Weber, Farmingdale State College, weberr@farmingdale.edu

**School District Wealth Redistribution in New York State**

Author: Jacob Bayer, SUNY New Paltz, jacobbenjaminbayer@gmail.com
Session A2 – Bring FRED Data into the Classroom – Diego Mendez-Carabajo, St. Louis Federal Reserve
WSON 207

In this hands-on session we will demonstrate how to use FRED (Federal Reserve Economic Data) in active learning, face-to-face, data-focused instruction. Participants will complete think-pair-share activities focused on labor markets and monetary policy.

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Session A3 – Public Economics – Ben Niu, chair bniu@sjfc.edu
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Human and Automation: A Cost-Benefit Analysis Regarding the Protection of Working Class Jobs
Joseph Herrera, The University of Oklahoma, Josephherrera3200@ou.edu
Discussant: James Booker, jbooker@siena.edu

Implications of Growing Water Scarcity: Productivity and Farm Labor
James Booker, Siena College, jbooker@siena.edu
Coauthor: Scott Trees, Siena College, trees@siena.edu
Discussant: Ben Niu, bniu@sjfc.edu

The Effect of Carbon Taxation on Cross Border Competition and Energy Efficiency
Ben Niu, St. John Fisher College, bniu@sjfc.edu
Discussant:

Session A4 – Consumer Demand – Philip Sirianni, chair philip.sirianni@oneonta.edu
WSON 100

Consumer Response to Increased Variety in Demand and Inverse demand Systems with Increased Variety
William Kolberg, Ithaca College, kolberg@ithaca.edu
Discussant: Philip Sirianni, philip.sirianni@oneonta.edu
Compensating and Equivalent Variation: The Case of Amazon Prime Memberships
Philip Sirianni, SUNY Oneonta, philip.sirianni@oneonta.edu
Discussant: Hoang Dao, hoangxua@buffalo.edu

The invisible costs of competition in the airline industry: insights from demand estimation
Hoang Dao, SUNY University at Buffalo, hoangxua@buffalo.edu
Discussant: William Kolberg, kolberg@ithaca.edu

It Takes a Village: Restoring Justice through Community Accountability Boards
Ashley Provencher, Siena College, aprovencher@siena.edu
Discussant: Shuhua He, shuhuahe@buffalo.edu

BLOCK B   Saturday  9:50 – 11:10 am

Session B1 – Flip the Classroom with Econlowdown.org -- Diego Mendez-Carbajo, St. Louis Federal Reserve
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In this hands-on session we will demonstrate how to set up and run a hybrid classroom. Online instructional materials from Econlowdown.org will be complemented with active learning, face-to-face, data-focused activities.
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Session B2 – Economics Education I: Innovative Techniques – Lauren Calimeris, chair lcalimeris@sjfc.edu
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The Economics of Cupcakes: A Class Activity on the Law of Diminishing Marginal Productivity
Christine Storrie, SUNY Oneonta, Christine.Storrie@oneonta.edu
Discussant: Lauren Calimeris, lcalimeris@sjfc.edu
The Impact of Immediate Feedback Assessment Technique (IF-AT) Quizzes on Student Performance in Microeconomic Principles Courses
Lauren Calimeris, St. John Fisher College, lcalimeris@sjfc.edu
Discussant: Jadrian Wooten, jjw27@psu.edu
Economics is a Kahoot! Workshop
Jadrian Wooten, The Pennsylvania State University, jjw27@psu.edu

Session B3 – New York State Policy Analysis – Frederick Floss, chair FLOSSFG@buffalostate.edu

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Economic Impacts on New York State of Environmental Tarriffs
Nicole Hunter, Buffalo State University, HUNTERNL@BUFFALOSTATE.EDU
Discussant: Xingwang Qian, Xqianx@buffalostate.edu

The Economics of Rust Belt Cities and New York State Policy
Bruce Fisher, Buffalo State University, FISHERBL@BUFFALOSTATE.EDU
Discussant: Frederick Floss, FLOSSFG@buffalostate.edu

Economic Indicators, Forecasting, and New York State Policy
Theodore Byrley, Buffalo State University, BYRLEYTF@BUFFALOSTATE.EDU
Discussant: Ted Schmidt SCHMIDTP@BUFFALOSTATE.EDU

Analysis of the Changes in Minimum Wage in New York
Frederick Floss, Buffalo State University, FLOSSFG@buffalostate.edu
Discussant: Curtis Haynes HAYNESG@BUFFALOSTATE.EDU

Session B4 – Stocks and Finance – Alka Bramhandkar, chair abramhandkar@ithaca.edu

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Financing Sustainability: Innovations, Impact and Prospects
Alka Bramhandkar, Ithaca College, abramhandkar@ithaca.edu
Discussant: John Heim, jheim@albany.edu

Why Doesn’t Accommodating Monetary Policy Accommodate?
John Heim, SUNY Albany, jheim@albany.edu
Discussant: Alka Bramhandkar, abramhandkar@ithaca.edu

The Stock Market and Wealth Inequality
Joanne Guo, University of Bridgeport, jguo@bridgeport.edu
Discussant: Ben Niu, bniu@sjfc.edu
Lunch and Keynote 11:25 – 12:50 pm  Cleary Auditorium

"Social Networks and Vaccination Decisions"  Dr. Neel Rao

Neel Rao is an associate professor of economics at the University at Buffalo. He conducts research and teaches courses in several areas of applied and theoretical microeconomics. Particular interests of his include labor markets and informational economics. He received BA, MA, and PhD degrees in economics from Harvard University. He has published in and refereed for a number of academic journals and is an associate editor of the Journal of Human Capital.

BLOCK C  Saturday 1:00 – 2:20 pm

Session C1 – Economics Education II: Enhancing Learning – Douglas McKee, chair
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Total Recall? Short- and Long-Term Retention of Statistics and Econometrics Skills
Douglas McKee, Cornell University, douglas.mckee@cornell.edu
Discussant: Jadrian Wooten, jjw27@psu.edu

The Effect of Time Management on the Relationship between Academic Performance and Sports Participation
Della Sue, Marist College, della.lee.sue@marist.edu
Discussant: Douglas McKee, douglas.mckee@cornell.edu

Biting the Bullet: Simple Tricks to Enhancing PowerPoint Slides
Jadrian Wooten, The Pennsylvania State University, jjw27@psu.edu

Session C2 – Health Economics – Jeffrey Wagner, chair jeffrey.wagner@rit.edu

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Estimating the Value to Households of the Wealth Preserving and Service Providing Functions of Health Insurance
Robert Culp, Dalton State College, rculp@daltonstate.edu
Discussant: Monica Litzenberger, mmitzenberger@sjfc.edu

Does Paternalism Justify Involuntary Commitment of those Suffering from Mental Illness?
Randall Krieg, St. John Fisher College, rkrieg@sjfc.edu
Discussant: Robert Culp, rculp@daltonstate.edu

Malpractice reform and the sorting of new physicians by physician human capital
Gerald Marschke, University at Albany, marschke@albany.edu
Discussant: Jeffrey Wagner, jeffrey.wagner@rit.edu
Culpability, Liability, and Chameleon Care
Jeffrey Wagner, RIT, jeffrey.wagner@rit.edu
Discussant: Randall Krieg, rkrieg@sjfc.edu

Session C3 – Labor Economics – Arindam Mandal, chair amandal@siena.edu

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Industrial Concentration of Occupations and Wage Suppression in Low and Middle-Wage American Labor Markets
Justine Herve, Fordham University, jherve@fordham.edu
Discussant: Anne Bynoe, abynoe@pace.edu

Does an employment protection law lead to lower labor productivity? A panel data analysis of OECD countries
Arindam Mandal, Siena College, amandal@siena.edu
Coauthor: Alex Perry, Sienna College, ac03perr@siena.edu
Discussant: Aniruddha Mitra, amitra@bard.edu

Are Labor Rights Essential for Human Rights? An Empirical Analysis
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Coauthor: Arindam Mandal, Siena College, amandal@siena.edu
Discussant: Justin Herve, jherve@fordham.edu

How Racial and Wealth Inequality Lead to Uneven Outcomes for Student Loan Holders
Anne Bynoe, Pace University, abynoe@pace.edu
Discussant: Arindam Mandal, amandal@siena.edu

Session C4 – State & Local – Rick Weber, chair weberr@farmingdale.edu

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Is White Flight Anecdotal?
Shuhua He, SUNY at Buffalo, shuhuahe@buffalo.edu
Discussant: Rick Weber, weberr@farmingdale.edu

Economic Complexity at the County Level
Rick Weber, Farmingdale State College, weberr@farmingdale.edu
Discussant: Paul Bauer, paul.bauer@oneonta.edu

The Long-Run Determinants of State Income Growth Revisited
Paul Bauer, SUNY Oneonta, paul.bauer@oneonta.edu
Discussant: John Heim, jheim@albany.edu
Session C5 – **International Issues** – Kpoti Kitissou, chair kpoti.kitissou@oneonta.edu

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**Impact of Withdrawn Preferential Treatment under European Union’s Generalized System of Preferences Reform**
Mitali Pradhan, Fordham University, mpradhan@fordham.edu
Discussant: David Vitt, vittd@farmingdale.edu

**Growth Potential of US-Africa Trade Under AFCFTA**
Chukwudi Ikwueze, Queensborough CC/CUNY, chuikwueze@aol.com
Discussant: Kpoti Kitissou, kpoti.kitissou@oneonta.edu

**Condom, Promiscuity, and HIV Infection: Evidence from Southern Africa**
Kpoti Kitissou, SUNY Oneonta, kpoti.kitissou@oneonta.edu
Discussant: Kenneth Liao, liaok@farmingdale.edu

**The Social Costs of Trade: Death and Declining Distance**
David Vitt, Farmingdale State College, vittd@farmingdale.edu
Discussant: Chukwudi Ikwueze, chuikwueze@aol.com

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**BLOCK D  Saturday 2:35 – 3:55**

Session D1 – **Sponsored Session: Online Resources for your Economics Classroom**

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**Waymaker and the Continuous Improvement of OER: Affordable, Effective Courseware for Principles of Economics**
sponsored by Lumen Learning
https://lumenlearning.com/

In this hands-on session, you will see how Waymaker courseware makes OER easy to implement as well as effective for instructors and students. Dr. John Kane, Professor, Department of Economics and Director of the Center for Excellence in Learning and Teaching at SUNY Oswego will share his initial impressions in teaching with Waymaker this fall term. Attendees who bring a device will be invited to explore the courses and content for Principles of Macroeconomics and Microeconomics right in the session.

Further, we will present how Waymaker makes it possible to use learning data to identify where content improvements are needed. You will then learn how Lumen works collaboratively with faculty to develop and test improvements aimed at strengthening learning, all while reducing costs to students. Finally, we will outline Lumen’s partnership with the SUNY system to make these courses available at no cost to all SUNY students.
Common Sense Economics: A curriculum for economics and personal finance
sponsored by Common Sense Economics
https://commonsenseeconomics.com/

To effectively engage today’s young people, the Common Sense Economics author team pays very close attention to their revealed preferences for multimedia learning spaces. Therefore, we offer all adopters a course shell comprised of 17 core modules. Each module includes a list of key topics, short video clips, podcasts, interactive exercises, “social media” discussion topics, PowerPoint slides, and engaging assignments. The course shell helps seasoned and new course instructors bring students to a place where they can learn by reading, watching, listening, and doing. The overall design of the course provides the proper incentives to advance students along their economics and personal financial learning curves, finish the course, and offer positive reviews. The CSE course shell makes economics come alive for students.

Session D2 – Policy Analysis – Lauren Calimeris, chair lcalimeris@sjfc.edu
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Analyzing Intra-African Trade Under AFCTA
Chukwudi Ikwueze, Queensborough CC/CUNY, chuikwueze@aol.com
Discussant: Richard Kyung nycrick@gmail.com

Study on the Labor Force, Automation, and the Economic Growth of a Developing Country
Richard Kyung, RISE-CRG NJ nycrick@gmail.com
Discussant: Yutian Yang, yy364@economics.rutgers.edu

Quantity Promotes Quality? “Impact of Sibship Size on Students” Academic Performance in China
Yutian Yang, Rutgers University, yy364@economics.rutgers.edu
Discussant: Lauren Calimeris, lcalimeris@sjfc.edu

Session D3 – Firms – Michael McAvoy, chair Michael.McAvoy@oneonta.edu
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Managerial Performance of a Female-Owned and Home-based Firm
Katarzyna Platt, SUNY College at Old Westbury, plattk@oldwestbury.edu
Discussant: Joan Nix, joan.nix@qc.cuny.edu

Net Neutrality and Its Repeal: Small Firm Shareholders Shrug and Large Firm Shareholders Turn
Joan Nix, Queens College (CUNY), joan.nix@qc.cuny.edu
Discussant: Kai Chen, chenk@oneonta.edu

The Roles of Marketing in Commercial Banks—Evidence from US Bank Holding Companies
Kai Chen, SUNY Oneonta, chenk@oneonta.edu
Discussant: Katarzyna Platt, SUNY College at Old Westbury, plattk@oldwestbury.edu
Richard A Posner: An Antitrust Judicial Entrepreneur
Sean Shannon, SUNY Oneonta, Sean.Shannon@oneonta.edu
Discussant: Michael McAvoy, Michael.McAvoy@oneonta.edu

Session D4 – Applied Micro – Brid G. Hanna, chair bxggse@rit.edu

What is Behind of the Hourly earnings of Hispanic Immigrant Workers in the U.S.? Clustering for Quantile Regression Analysis
Aleida Cobas-Valdés, University of the Basque Country, aleida.cobas@ehu.eus
Discussant: Brid G. Hanna, bxggse@rit.edu

New data for estimating the relationship between guns and crime
Brid G. Hanna, Rochester Institute of Technology, bxggse@rit.edu
Discussant: Manimoy Paul, mpaul@siena.edu

Investigating the factors that affect Risk of Car Crash fatality in the USA
Manimoy Paul, Siena College, mpaul@siena.edu
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Discussant: Dave Pate, dpate@sjfc.edu

4:00 – 5:15 pm NYSEA Business Meeting
WSON 102
All are welcome.