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48TH SRSA ANNUAL MEETING: PROGRAM OVERVIEW

THURSDAY, APRIL 2

2:00 P.M.—6:00 P.M.

Registration: Conference Center D

2:15 P.M.—4:00 P.M.

Session 1A: Labor

Conference Center C

Session 1B: Regional Development I

Conference Center F

4:15 P.M.—6:00 P.M.

Session 2A: Regional Development II

Conference Center C

Session 2B: Student Paper Competition

Conference Center F

7:00 P.M.—9:00 P.M.

SRSA Executive Council Meeting (by invitation): Diaz House

FRIDAY, APRIL 3

8:00 A.M.—6:00 P.M.

Registration: Conference Center D

8:30 A.M.—10:15 A.M.

Session 3A: Hurricane Katrina Cavalier

Session 3B: Spatial Analysis I

Conference Center C

Session 3C: Entrepreneurship I

Conference Center B

Session 3D: Environment I

Conference Center F

Session 3E: New Results on the Determinants of Migration

Conference Center G

10:15 A.M.—10:30 A.M.

Coffee Break: Conference Center D

10:30 A.M.—12:15 P.M.

Session 4A: Migration Outcomes Cavalier

Session 4B: Entrepreneurship II

Conference Center C

Session 4C: Rural Issues

Conference Center B

Session 4D: Economic and Social Impacts of Natural
Disasters I
Conference Center F
Session 4E: The Housing Crisis
Conference Center G

12:30 P.M.—2:00 P.M.

Awards Luncheon: Upper Courtyard

Award of SRSA Fellow Plaque to John R. Kort, ERS
SRSA Fellow's Address by John R. Kort, SRSA Fellow:
*Regional Economic Policy Thus Far in the Obama Era:
Viewpoint of an Acting Administrator*

2:00 P.M.—3:45 P.M.

Session 5A: Regional Issues
Cavalier
Session 5B: Modeling
Conference Center C
Session 5C: Economic and Social Impacts of Natural
Disasters II
Conference Center B
Session 5D: Regional Analysis I
Conference Center F
Session 5E: Regional Econometric Modeling
Conference Center G

3:45 P.M.—4:00 P.M.

Coffee Break: Conference Center D

4:00 P.M.—6:00 P.M.

Session 6A: Public Policy I
Cavalier
Session 6B: Regional Housing Market Analysis I
Conference Center C
Session 6C: Public Goods
Conference Center B
Session 6D: Economic Development Incentives
Conference Center F
Session 6E: Migration and Population Distribution
Conference Center G

6:30 P.M.—8:30 P.M.

Reception: Upper Courtyard

SATURDAY, APRIL 4

8:00 A.M.—10:30 P.M.

Registration: Conference Center D

8:30 A.M.—10:15 A.M.

Session 7A: Public Policy II
Cavalier
Session 7B: Regional Housing Market II
Conference Center C
Session 7C: Energy

Conference Center B
Session 7D: Transportation
Conference Center F
Session 7E: Urban Issues
Conference Center G

10:15 A.M.—10:30 A.M.

Coffee Break: Conference Center C

10:30 A.M.—12:15 P.M.

Session 8A: Regional Analysis II
Cavalier
Session 8B: Regional Housing Market Analysis III
Conference Center C
Session 8C: Spatial Analysis II
Conference Center B
Session 8D: Public Finance
Conference Center F
Session 8E: Regional Analysis III
Conference Center G

12:30 P.M.—1:45 P.M.

**Presidential Luncheon and SRSA Business Meeting:
Hidalgo A**

Peter Schaeffer, West Virginia University, SRSA
President's Address: *Imperfection as the Norm*

2:00 P.M.

48th SRSA Annual Meeting Ends

SRSA Program

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Registration:
Location TBA

2:15 P.M.—4:00 P.M.

Session 1A: Labor
Conference Center C
Chair: Henry Renski, University of Massachusetts
Amherst

Decomposing Inter-Industry Wage Differentials: The
Effect of Social Capital on Efficiency Wages
Jeffrey Chen and Pierre Vilain, Halcrow Inc.
Discussant: Juan Leguizamon, West Virginia University

The Effect of Merit-Based Aid on the West Virginia
Workforce: Promising?
Juan Leguizamon, West Virginia University
Discussant: Henry Renski, University of Massachusetts
Amherst

Tracking Labor Flows Using Matched Employer-
Employee Data
Henry Renski, University of Massachusetts Amherst
Discussant: Jeffrey Chen, Halcrow Inc.

Session 1B: Regional Development I:
Conference Center F
Chair: Leslie Dunn, Washington & Jefferson College

The Impact of Political Dependence on Small Island
Economies
Leslie Dunn, Washington & Jefferson College
Discussant: Rafael, Garduño-Rivera, University of
Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

The Effects of Trade on Regional Distribution in
Mexico
Rafael Garduño-Rivera, University of Illinois at Urbana-
Champaign
Discussant: Jesus A. Trevino, Universidad Autónoma de
Nuevo León

Spatial Analysis of Industrial Growth in Mexico, 1993-
2006
Jesus A. Trevino, Universidad Autónoma de Nuevo León
Discussant: Mark L. Burkey, NCA&T State University

Generalized Voronoi Diagrams and Commuting Patterns:
Finding the Best Fit
Mark L. Burkey, NCA&T State University
Joyendu Bhadury, University of North Carolina at
Greensboro, and H.A. Eiselt, University of New
Brunswick
Discussant: Leslie Dunn, Washington & Jefferson
College

4:15 P.M.—6:00 P.M.

**Session 2A: Regional Development II:
Conference Center C**

Chair: Uma Kekekar, George Mason University

Influence of Culture on Women Entrepreneurship in India
Uma Kekekar, George Mason University
Discussant: Saleh Ahmed, University of Rome

The Road from Marginalization To Empowerment: An
Empirical Analysis on the Impacts of Small Enterprise
Development Among Extremely Poor Women in
Southwestern Bangladesh
Saleh Ahmed, University of Rome
Discussant: Fungisai Nota, Wartburg College

Dealing with the Highest Inflation in Africa: The Case of
Stagflation in Zimbabwe
Fungisai Nota, Wartburg College
Discussant: Uma Kekekar, George Mason University

**Session 2B: Student Paper Competition:
Conference Center F**

Chair: Cynthia L. Rogers, University of Oklahoma

Effect of international technology diffusion on the
demand of skilled labor in low and medium technology
(LMT) sectors.
Juan Julio Gutierrez, George Mason University and
Roger Stough, George Mason University
Discussant: Cynthia L. Rogers, University of Oklahoma

Rural-Urban Migration and the Intergenerational
Transmission of Wealth
Ayesha Enver, Ohio State University and Mark Partridge,
Ohio State University
Discussant: James LeSage, Texas State University-San
Marcos

The Housing Transition in Mexico
Paavo Monkkonen, University of California, Berkeley
Discussant: John Connaughton, University of North
Carolina at Charlotte

Arc_Mat: A Matlab-based Spatial Data Analysis Toolbox
Xingjian Liu, Texas State University-San Marcos and
James LeSage, Texas State University-San Marcos
Discussant: Mark L. Burkey, NCA&T State University

FRIDAY, APRIL 3

8:00 A.M.—5:00 P.M.

Registration:
Conference Center D

8:30 A.M.—10:15 A.M.

Session 3A: Hurricane Katrina
Cavalier

Chair: James P. LeSage, Texas State University-San
Macros

An Assessment of Regional Economic Development
Strategies for Greater New Orleans
Mukesh Kumar, Jackson State University
Discussant: James P. LeSage, Texas State University-San
Macros

Business Return in New Orleans in the Aftermath of
Katrina
James P. LeSage, Texas State University-San Macros and
Kelly Pace, Louisiana State University
Discussant: Dave Swenson, Iowa State University

The Effect of Hurricane Katrina on Intertemporal Spatial
Agglomeration of Location Quotients in Northern Gulf
States
Garen Evans, Mississippi State University
Discussant: James Henderson, Mississippi State
University

Session 3B: Spatial Analysis I
Conference Center C

Chair: Paulo Guimaraes, University of South Carolina

Spatial Clustering of U.S. Immigrants
Paulo Guimaraes, Joilson Dias, and Douglas Woodward,
University of South Carolina
Discussant: M. Rose Olfert, University of Saskatchewan

Spatial Growth Dynamics in Wages and Housing Costs:
The Role of Distances from Urban Production
Externalities and Consumer Amenities
Mark D. Partridge, Ohio State University, M. Rose Olfert
and Kamar Ali, University of Saskatchewan, and Dan
Rickman, Oklahoma State University
Discussant: Haifeng Qian, George Mason University

The Geography of Talent in China
Haifeng Qian, George Mason University
Discussant: Paulo Guimaraes, University of South
Carolina

Session 3C: Entrepreneurship I

Conference Center B

Chair: Brian J. Osoba, Central Connecticut State
University

Does Social Capital Matter? Impact of Social Capital on
Innovation in the Knowledge Economy at the
International Level

Soogwan Doh, George Mason University at Fairfax
Discussant: Brian J. Osoba, Central Connecticut State
University

Religion's Influence on Entrepreneurship: An Empirical
Analysis of Counties in the U.S.

Brian J. Osoba, Central Connecticut State University
Discussant: Songpyo Kim, Maxine Goodman Levin
College of Urban Affairs

Inventive Minds in Cancer Cure

Songpyo Kim, Maxine Goodman Levin College of Urban
Affairs

Discussant: Soogwan Doh, George Mason University at
Fairfax

Session 3D: Environment I

Conference Center F

Chair: Christa Jensen, West Virginia University

A Regional Analysis of US Hazardous Waste Shipments

Christa Jensen, West Virginia University

Discussant: Charlotte A. Whitehead, The University of
Texas at Austin

Americans' Travel Choices and Their Relative
Contributions to Climate Change: What Near-Term
Behavioral Shifts Will Buy Us, and Opportunities for
Meeting Carbon Targets

Kara M. Kockelman, Melissa R. Thompson, and
Charlotte A. Whitehead, The University of Texas at
Austin

Discussant: Jose G. Vargas-Hernández, Centro
Universitario de Ciencias Económico Administrativas U
de G

Environmental and Economic Development Shrinkage of
Atenquique Declinaciòn del Desarrollo Ambiental Y
Económico De Atenquique
Jose G. Vargas-Hernández, Centro Universitario de
Ciencias Económico Administrativas U de G
Discussant: Melissa R. Thompson, The University of
Texas at Austin

**Session 3E: New Results on the Determinants of
Migration**

Conference Center G

Chair: Mulugeta Kahsai, West Virginia University

Do Low Income Families Act on the Migration Incentives
Created by the Devolution in U.S. Welfare Policy?
Hal Snarr and Mark Burkey, North Carolina A&T State
University, and Melanie Guldi, Mt Holyoke College
Discussant: Thomas A. Knapp, Pennsylvania State
University

A Role for Air Pollution in Domestic Mobility
Robert Dunn, Washington and Jefferson College
Discussant: David McGranahan, Economic Research
Service, USDA

10:15 A.M.—10:30 A.M.

Coffee Break:

Conference Center D

10:30 A.M.—12:15 P.M.

Session 4A: Migration Outcomes

Cavalier

Chair: Robert Dunn, Washington and Jefferson College

Returns to Return Migration
Nancy White and Amy Wolaver, Bucknell University,
and Thomas Knapp, Pennsylvania State University
Discussant: Mark Burkey, North Carolina A&T State
University

Migrant Workers, Human Capital Development, and
Productive Investment: An Analysis of Productive
Investment in Agriculture by Migrant Workers in China
Daniel Monchuk, Southern Mississippi University, and
Georgianne Artz, University of Missouri-Columbia
Discussant: Brian Cushing, West Virginia University

Evaluating the H-1B Visa Program: Theoretical Issues
Peter Schaeffer and Mulugeta Kahsai, West Virginia
University
Discussant: Hal Snarr, North Carolina A&T State
University

Session 4B: Entrepreneurship II

Conference Center C

Chair: Kenneth Robinson, Clemson University

A County-Level Assessment of Entrepreneurship and
Economic Development in Appalachia Using
Simultaneous Equations

Maribel Mojica, Testa Gebremedhin, and Peter Schaeffer,
West Virginia University

Discussant: Lori Dickes, Clemson University

The New Wave of Economic Development: Rhetoric or
Reality; What Do Entrepreneurship Efforts Look Like
Across South Carolina Communities?

Kenneth Robinson and Lori Dickes, Clemson University

Discussant: David W. Hughes, Clemson University

Testable Hypotheses Concerning Entrepreneurship
Development in South Carolina

Devin Swindall and David W. Hughes, Clemson
University

Discussant: Maribel Mojica, West Virginia University

Session 4C: Rural Issues

Conference Center B

Chair: Mark D. Partridge, Ohio State University

Linking Retired Individual's Skills at the End of
Broadband with Employer Needs: A Potential for
Increased Rural Employment in New England?

Douglas E. Morris and Lyndon E. Goodridge, University
of New Hampshire

Discussant: Mark D. Partridge, Ohio State University

Rural Residential Location Choices vs. Loss of Rural
Employment in Rural-to-Urban Commuting

Mark D. Partridge, Ohio State University, M. Rose Olfert
and Kamar Ali, University of Saskatchewan

Discussant: Arzu Sen, West Virginia University

Resource Curse: Evidence from Coal Counties in U.S.

Arzu Sen, West Virginia University

Discussant: Douglas E. Morris, University of New
Hampshire

Session 4D: Economic and Social Impacts of Natural Disasters I

Conference Center F

Chair: J. Matthew Fannin, Louisiana State University

Exploring Industry-Level Changes in Establishment Counts, Employment, and Wages in Mississippi Counties
Experiencing the Greatest Net In-Migration Following Hurricane Katrina

Brooklynn J. Anderson, Mississippi State University

Discussant: J. Matthew Fannin, Louisiana State University

Understanding Local Government Fiscal Change Following a Natural Disaster: An Application of Modern Shift Share Methodologies

J. Matthew Fannin and Arun Adhikari, Louisiana State University

Discussant: Ersan Koc, Middle East Technical University

Sustaining Disaster Policy: A Commitment Based Mitigation Model

Ersan Koc, Middle East Technical University

Discussant: Brooklynn J. Anderson, Mississippi State University

Session 4E: The Housing Crisis

Conference Center F

Chair: Brian W. Sloboda, US Postal Service

The Neighborhood Effects of Foreclosure

Tammy Leonard and Jim Murdoch, University of Texas at Dallas

Discussant: Brian W. Sloboda, US Postal Service

The Effects of the Housing Crisis on the Real Economy: A Regional Analysis Abstract

Brian W. Sloboda, US Postal Service, and Wenxiong Vincent Yao, Fannie Mae

Discussant: Tammy Leonard, University of Texas at Dallas

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Awards Luncheon:

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SRSA Fellow's Address by John R. Kort, SRSA Fellow:

Regional Economic Policy Thus Far in the Obama Era: Viewpoint of an Acting Administrator

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Session 5A: Regional Issues

Cavalier

Chair: Diane Hite, Auburn University

Deriving Benefit Estimates for Environmental Improvement using Intra-City Hedonic Estimates
John Carruthers, Department of Housing and Urban Development, and David Clark, Marquette University
Discussant: Sreedhar Upendram, Missouri Economic Research and Information Center

The Effects of Environmental Health Risks on House Values in the US: A Spatial Generalized Three-Stage Least Squares Model
Chau-Sa Ho, Ohio State University and Diane Hite, Auburn University
Discussant: John Carruthers, Department of Housing and Urban Development

A Spatial Econometric Analysis of Retail Trade and Commuting Patterns in Rural Counties of Missouri
Sreedhar Upendram, Missouri Economic Research and Information Center
Discussant: Diane Hite, Auburn University

Session 5B: Modeling

Conference Center C

Chair: David W. Hughes, Clemson University

The Effects of High-Tech Agglomerations on Female Wages—A Bivariate Selectivity Approach
Elsie Echeverri-Carroll and Sofia G. Ayala, University of Texas at Austin
Discussant: David B. Willis, Clemson University

Input-Output Models as a Planning Tool: The South Carolina National Guard Project
David W. Hughes, David B. Willis, and Karol Hughes, Clemson University
Discussant: Sofia G. Ayala, University of Texas at Austin

Forecasting Land Use & Transport Through 2030 Using UrbanSim: A Case Study of Austin, Texas
Siva Kakaraparthi and Kara Kockelman, University of Texas at Austin
Discussant: David W. Hughes, Clemson University

Session 5C: Economic and Social Impacts of Natural Disasters II

Conference Center B

Chair: Garen Evans, Mississippi State University

After the Storm – Spatial and Temporal Aspects of Business Resiliency

James Henderson and Garen Evans, Mississippi State University

Discussant: Brian Richard, University of Southern Mississippi

Responding to Disasters: Ridiculous Claims, Rampant Rent-Seeking, and Mitigating Roles for Regional Scientists

Dave Swenson and Liesl Eathington, Iowa State University

Discussant: Mukesh Kumar, Jackson State University

Disparate Impacts of Natural Disasters

Brian Richard, University of Southern Mississippi

Discussant: Garen Evans, Mississippi State University

Session 5D: Regional Analysis I

Conference Center F

Chair: Xin Zhou, George Mason University

Regional Determinants Affecting the ITS Deployment and Integration

Xin Zhou, George Mason University

Discussant: Andrew Isserman, University of Illinois

Does U.S. Regional Policy Exist? A Test of the Markusen Hypothesis

Andrew Isserman, University of Illinois

Discussant: Erik Johnson, Quinnipiac University

Determining the Scale of Service Industry Agglomeration

Erik Johnson, Quinnipiac University and Stephen

Billings, University of North Carolina-Charlotte

Discussant: Shahdad Naghshpour, University of Southern Mississippi

Club Convergence In Europe

Shahdad Naghshpour, University of Southern Mississippi

Discussant: Xin Zhou, George Mason University

Session 5E: Regional Econometric Modeling

Conference Center G

Chair: K. Doug Heady, Texas State University-San
Macros

Asymmetric Regional Effects from Monetary Policy on
State-Level Housing Prices

David Beckworth, and K. Doug Heady, Texas State
University-San Macros

Discussant: Melissa Culbertson, Texas State University-
San Macros

Census Tract Level Growth of Population and Income in
San Antonio Over the Period 1970-2000

Melissa Culbertson, Texas State University-San Macros

Discussant: Matthew Dominquez, Texas State University-
San Macros

An Analysis of Travel Times to Work in Austin, Texas
Over the 1980-2000 Period

Matthew Dominquez, Texas State University-San Macros

Discussant: K. Doug Heady, Texas State University-San
Macros

3:45 P.M.—4:00 P.M.

Coffee Break:

Conference Center D

4:00 P.M.—6:00 P.M.

Session 6A: Public Policy I

Cavalier

Chair: Rebekka Dudensing, Texas A&M University

Competitiveness of Southern Metropolitan Areas: The
Role of New Economy Policies

Rebekka Dudensing, Texas A&M University, and David
Barkley, Clemson University

Discussant: Greg Grassmueck, Lycoming College

How Competition among Government Units May Leave
Local Government Units Behind

Greg Grassmueck, Lycoming College

Discussant: Ramziya Shakirova, George Mason
University

Institutions and Economic Development

Ramziya Shakirova, George Mason University

Discussant: Rebekka Dudensing, Texas A&M University

Session 6B: Regional Housing Market Analysis I

Conference Center C

Chair: Cliff Lipscomb, Valdosta State University

Using Quantile Regression to Reveal Hedonic Submarket Competition

Michael C. Farmer, Texas Tech University, and Cliff Lipscomb, Valdosta State University

Discussant: Daniel Monchuk, University of Southern Mississippi

The Role of Homeownership on Labor Market Outcomes in Rural Areas in the U.S.

Daniel Monchuk, University of Southern Mississippi, Euan Phimister, University of Aberdeen, and Maureen Kilkenny, University of Nevada

Discussant: Michael C. Farmer, Texas Tech University

Historic Preservation, Property Values, and Tax Rates: A Municipal-level Analysis in New Jersey

Samonne Montgomery, Rutgers University

Discussant: Cliff Lipscomb, Valdosta State University

Session 6C: Public Goods

Conference Center B

Chair: J. Matthew Fannin, Louisiana State University

Meta-analytic Revelation of the Role of Natural Amenities on the Rural Economy

J. Matthew Fannin and Junpyo Hong, Louisiana State University

Discussant: Patricia M. Jarema, University of New Hampshire

Effects of Civic Engagement on Forested Land Cover Change in the Central Appalachian Region

Patricia M. Jarema, John M Halstead, and Karen S. Conway, University of New Hampshire

Discussant: Chunhua Wang, University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Estimating the Demand for Public Open Space

Chunhua Wang and Jean-Claude Thill, University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Discussant: J. Matthew Fannin, Louisiana State University

Session 6D: Economic Development Incentives

Conference Center F

Chair: Frank Hefner, College of Charleston

Glamorous Incentives: The Cost and Benefits of Attracting Hollywood to South Carolina

Frank Hefner, College of Charleston

Discussant: James Rossi, University of Missouri-Columbia

Missouri's Agricultural Products Utilization and New
Generation Cooperative Tax Incentive Programs:
Economic Impacts and Benefits and Costs
James Rossi, Georgeanne Artz, Judith I. Stallmann, and
Thomas G. Johnson, University of Missouri-Columbia
Discussant: Sanjukta Roy, West Virginia University

Counting on Financial Development for Urbanization
Sanjukta Roy, West Virginia University
Discussant: Judith I. Stallmann, University of Missouri-
Columbia

**Session 6E: Migration and Population Distribution
Conference Center G**

Chair: Nancy White, Bucknell University

Deconcentration, Counter-Urbanization, or Trend
Reversal? The Population Distribution of Switzerland,
Revisited
Mulugeta Kahsai and Peter Schaeffer, West Virginia
University
Discussant: Nancy White, Bucknell University

Creative Places as Migration Filters
David McGranahan, Timothy Wojan, and Tracey
Farrigan, Economic Research Service/USDA
Discussant: Peter Schaeffer, West Virginia University

Historical Population Mobility for U.S. Regions
Brian Cushing, West Virginia University
Discussant: Robert Dunn, Washington and Jefferson
College

6:30 P.M.—8:30 P.M.

**Reception:
Upper Courtyard**

SATURDAY, APRIL 4

8:00 A.M.—1:45 P.M.

Registration:
Conference Center D

8:30 A.M.—10:00 A.M.

Session 7A: Public Policy II
Cavalier

Chair: David Bowes, Southeastern Louisiana University

The Link between Child Support Grant and Teenage
Pregnancy in South Africa

M. E. Biyase, University of Johannesburg

Discussant: David Bowes, Southeastern Louisiana
University

Retail Market Areas and Traditional Neighborhood
Design

David Bowes, Southeastern Louisiana University

Discussant: Georg Grassmueck, Lycoming College

On the Measurement of Government Fragmentation

Georg Grassmueck, Lycoming College

Discussant: M. E. Biyase, University of Johannesburg

Session 7B: Regional Housing Market Analysis II
Conference Center C

Chair: John Carruthers, U.S. Department of Housing and
Urban Development

Plane of Living and the Recent Evolution of Housing
Values in the United States

John Carruthers, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban

Development, Gordon F. Mulligan, University of Arizona

Discussant: Mouchine Guettabi, Oklahoma State
University

Minorities, Sub-Prime Lending, and Financial Knowledge
Mouchine Guettabi, Oklahoma State University

Discussant: Christian Malagon, U.S. Bureau of Economic
Analysis

Location Premiums in the Washington Metro Housing
Market

Christian Malagon, U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis

Discussant: John Carruthers, U.S. Department of Housing
and Urban Development

Session 7C: Energy

Conference Center B

Chair: Larry Leistriz, North Dakota State University

Socioeconomic Impacts of Developing Wind Energy in the Great Plains

Larry Leistriz, North Dakota State University

Discussant: Steven Peterson, Oak Ridge National Laboratory

Network Routing Implications for Hazardous Materials Subject to Policy Constraints

Steven Peterson, Oak Ridge National Laboratory

Discussant: Martin Shields, Colorado State University

Is the Economic Stimulus Package Needs Based?

Martin Shields, Colorado State University

Discussant: Larry Leistriz, North Dakota State University

Session 7D: Transportation

Conference Center G

Chair: Aaron K. Lusby, Louisiana Tech University

How Substitutable is Public Highway Capital for Private Investment in Transport Services in the United States?

Aaron K. Lusby, Louisiana Tech University

Discussant: Rafael Garduño-Rivera, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

The Effect of Population Density, Road Network Density, and Congestion on Household Gasoline Consumption in U.S. Urban Areas

Qing Su, Kent State University at Stark

Discussant: Aaron K. Lusby, Louisiana Tech University

The Distributional Effects of NAFTA in Mexico

Kathy Baylis and Rafael Garduño-Rivera, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and

Gianfranco Piras, Arizona State University

Discussant: Xin Zhou, George Mason University

Transportation Infrastructure Development and Regional Economic Growth in A Spatial Perspective - the Case of China

Junyang Yuan and Xin Zhou, George Mason University

Discussant: Qing Su, Kent State University at Stark

Session 7E: Urban Issues

Conference Center G

Chair: Jean-Claude Thill, University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Smart Growth, Roadway Construction, and Urban Sprawl

Rodrigo Duran and Michael Lahr, Rutgers University

Discussant: Matt McCormick BEA

Evaluating Competitive Structures and Strategies in an Urban Commercial District with Self-Organizing Maps
Masakuni Kakoi and Saito Saburo, Fukuoka University,
and Jean-Claude Thill, University of North Carolina at
Charlotte
Discussant: Rodrigo Duran, Rutgers University

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The Importance of Regional and Economic Factors in
U.S. Presidential Elections: Evidence from County Level
Data
Frank O'Connor and Sebastian Teran Hidalgo, Eastern
Kentucky University
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On the Distribution of Local Crime Prevention
Throughout the City
Santiago M. Pinto, West Virginia University and Subhayu
Bandyopadhyay, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis
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Understanding Differential State Expansions Following
1990-1991 and 2001 Recessions
John Connaughton and Ronald A. Madsen, University of
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Chair: Dan Rickman, Oklahoma State University

Who Cares About Relative Status? A Revealed
Preference Approach with Quantile Applications in the
Housing Market
Susane Daniels, West Virginia University
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Retest the Effects of Houston MetroRail Light Rail
Stations on Residential Property Values
Li Ma and Qisheng Pan, Texas Southern University
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Neighborhood Historic Preservation Status and Housing
Values in Oklahoma County
Dan Rickman, Oklahoma State University
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Spatial Variations of New Firm Formation in the United
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Shaoming Cheng, Florida International University, and
Huaqun Li, George Mason University
Discussant: Takahisa Yokoi, Tohoku University

Spatial Structures in a Spatial Autoregressive Model and
One-Directional Adjacency Matrices
Takahisa Yokoi and Asao Ando, Tohoku University
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Divergence and Mobility in College Attainment Across
U.S. Labor Market Areas: 1970-2000
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A Spatial Model to Investigate the Effect of State and
Local Gay Rights Laws on State Migration Flows
David Christafore, West Virginia University
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The Determinants of City-County Consolidation in the
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Dagney Faulk and Michael Hicks, Ball State University
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What Causes Changes in the Rates of Local Option Sales
Taxes? Models of Initial Implementation and of
Subsequent Changes
Brian Piper, University of Oklahoma
Discussant: Cynthia L. Rogers, University of Oklahoma

The Effects of Local Option Sales Taxes on Consumer Spending: Cross-Tier Elasticities and Tax Competition
Cynthia L. Rogers and Gregory Burge, University of Oklahoma
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Session 8E: Regional Analysis III
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Chair: Timothy F. Slaper, Indiana University

Application of an Interregional Supply Driven Fiscal Social Accounting Matrix Model: Application to Changes in Rural Public Land Grazing in the State of Nevada
Thomas R. Harris, University of Nevada-Reno, and Nota Fungisai, Wartburg College
Discussant: Kingsley Haynes, George Mason University

Modeling the Spatial Diffusion of Mobile Telecommunications in China
Kingsley Haynes, George Mason University
Discussant: Timothy F. Slaper, Indiana University

Does Size Matter? Measuring Innovation at the County Level
Timothy F. Slaper and Michael F. Thompson, Indiana University
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