April 14, 2011

Panel 1: Global Imbalance and Crisis
Thursday
8:00 – 9:30 AM

Moderator: Yan Liang, Willamette University

“Global Imbalances and Patterns of Domestic Demand (1980-2008): Towards the elimination of the ‘intellectual hyperplane’ between theories of international trade and international finance”
Laura Carvalho, The New School for Social Research

“Global Imbalances and the Crisis of Intermediation”
Korkut Erturk, University of Utah

“Peak Oil, Global Imbalances, and the Next Global Crisis”
Minqi Li, University of Utah

“Global Imbalances and the Transfer Problem”
Rudi von Arnim, University of Utah

Panel 2: Challenging the Narrative and Analysis of Mainstream Economics I
Thursday
8:00 – 9:30 AM

Moderator: Janice Peterson, California State University, Fresno

“Can Neo-Classical Economists Explain Gentrification? Or What are the Limits of the ‘Spatial Equilibrium’”
Jonathan Diskin, Earlham College

“Bad Math: How the fetish of mathematical ‘precision’ in economics facilitates theory and policy that is precisely wrong”
Tim Koechlin, Vassar College
“Alternative Measures of Regional/Urban Development: Human development indices for individual cities in southern California”
Eric Nilsson, California State University-San Bernardino

“The Role of Disparity in Economic Development: Conventional and Heterodox Perspectives”
Kellin Chandler Stanfield, DePauw University

Panel 3: Institutionalism and Economic Development
Thursday 9:45 – 11:15 AM

Moderator: Barbara Hopkins, Wright State University

“Structural Inequality, Economics Crises and Restructuring South Africa’s Political Economy”
Peter T. Jacobs, Human Sciences Research Council, South Africa

“Agriculture, Gender, and Development in Sub-Saharan Africa”
Tonia Warnecke, Rollins College

“Solving the ‘Coffee Paradox’: Understanding Ethiopia’s coffee cooperatives through Elinor Ostrom’s theory of the commons”
Susan R. Holmberg, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

“Labor Institutions in Colonial India”
Poulomi Dasgupta, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Panel 4: NCAA Finances During and After the Great Recession
Thursday 9:45 – 11:15 AM

Moderator: Richard V. Adkisson, New Mexico State University

“White Men Can’t Run? An empirical investigation of the impact of skin tone shade and facial symmetry on running backs in the National Football League”
David J. Berri, Southern Utah University, Kaitlyn Myers, Ursinsus College, Jennifer VanGilder, Ursinsus College, and Rob Simmons, Lancaster University

“NCAA Financing Mechanisms and Competitive Balance”
Jim Peach, New Mexico State University

“The Case Against Big Time College Sports”
James Webb, University of Missouri-Kansas City
“Market Power and College Sports: The NCAA and the AIAW”
Leila J. Pratt, University of Tennessee-Chattanooga

Thursday
11:45 AM – 1:00 PM

Association For Institutional Thought Business Meeting

Panel 5: Monetary Theory, Money, and Financial Instability
Thursday
1:00 – 2:30 PM

Moderator: Rudi von Arnim, University of Utah

“Liquidity Trap, Quantitative Easing and Monetary Policy: A critical essay in monetary theory”
Felipe Carvalho de Rezende, Hobart and William Smith Colleges

“Internationalization of Money Manager Capitalism”
Flavia M. T. Dantas, University of Missouri-Kansas City

“Global Imbalances and Global Financial Instability: Making the right connections”
Yan Liang, Willamette University

“Mortgage Lending, Foreclosures, and Community Development in the Pettigrew Heights Neighborhood of Sioux Falls, South Dakota”
Reynold Nesiba, Augustana College and Drew Doshier, Undergraduate Student at Augustana College

“Reform of China’s Fiscal and Monetary Approach”
XinYing Liu, Xi’an University of Finance and Economics and University of Missouri-Kansas City

Panel 6: Inequality, Poverty, and Social Provisioning
Thursday
1:00 – 2:30 PM

Moderator: Jairo J. Parada, Universidad del Norte, Barranquilla, Colombia

“On the Pro-Social Security Rhetoric”
Rojhat B. Avsar, Columbia College

“Linking Economic Efficiency, Inequality and Poverty”
Thomas E. Lambert, Indiana University Southeast
Panel 7  
Teaching Heterodox Economics
Thursday
2:45 – 4:15 PM

Moderator:  Kellin Chandler Stanfield, DePauw University

“The Political Dynamics of Inequality:  From ancient to modern times”
Jon D. Wisman, American University

“The Declining Importance of Unemployment as a Problem of Public Policy:  A cautionary tale?”
Dell Champlin, Oregon State University, and Janet Knoedler, Bucknell University

Panel 8:  
Ideology, Fraud and Recession
Thursday
2:45 – 4:15 PM

Moderator:  Daphne T. Greenwood, University of Colorado-Colorado Springs

“Split California?  Is Economics or Ideology at Work?”
Randy McFerrin, New Mexico State University, and Richard V. Adkisson, New Mexico State University

“Depression by Decree?  The Power of Ideology”
John P. Watkins, Westminster College

“The Great Recession and the Future of American Liberalism”  
David J. Plante, Western State College of Colorado, and William L. Niemi, Western State College of Colorado

“Is Fraud Endemic to Capitalism?  
John F. Henry, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Panel 9: AFIT Student Competition Papers  
Thursday  
4:30 – 6:00 PM

Moderator: Christopher Brown, Arkansas State University

Discussant: Frederic S. Lee, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Thursday  
7:00 – 9:30 PM

Association For Institutional Thought Conference Dinner
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Panel 10: Challenging the Narrative and Analysis of Mainstream Economics II
Friday
8:00 – 9:30 AM

Moderator: Tonia Warnecke, Rollins College

“The Problem with Principals/Principles: The principal/agent problem in the ideological war against workers”
Barbara Hopkins, Wright State University

“The Design of Free-Market Economies in a Post-Neoclassical World”
Frederic B. Jennings Jr., Center for Ecological Economic and Ethical Education

“Examining the Authority of the Mainstream: A sociological approach to knowledge production processes in economics”
Ihsan Ercan Sadi, New York University

“Beyond Positivism and Relativism in Economics”
Clifford Poirot, Shawnee State University

“Balancing Flexibility: The Role of Employee Voice and Perceptions of Control”
Barbara Wiens-Tuers, Pennsylvania State, Altoona

Panel 11: Market Socialism, Neoliberalism, and Europe
Friday
8:00 – 9:30 AM

Moderator: John Hall, Portland State University

“Social Identities and Cultural Lag: A Veblenian Analysis of Neoliberalism and Essentialization in Europe”
Quentin Duroy, Denison University

“Veblen’s Imperial Germany and the Structuralist-Dependency Approach: Commonalities and differences regarding economic development”
William R. Baca-Mejia, University of Missouri-Kansas City

“Institutionalist Alternative to the Growth of a Neoliberal State in Authoritarian Transition: The case of Russia”
Anna Klimina, University of Saskatchewan, Canada
Guinevere Nell, University of Warwick, United Kingdom

Panel 12: Asset Price Bubbles
Friday
9:45 – 11:15 AM
Moderator: Flavia M. T. Dantas, University of Missouri-Kansas City

“How Speculative Bubbles Work”
Korkut Erturk, University of Utah

“Keynes’s Beauty Contest and Business Cycle: An Evolutionary Game Theoretic Interpretation”
Doyoun Won, University of Utah

“Critical Reconsiderations of Flow of Funds Perspective on Asset Price Dynamics”
Keon-Ho Kim, University of Utah

Panel 13: Social Provisioning and Socio-Economic Modeling of the Economy
Friday
9:45 – 11:15 AM
Moderator: Tim Koechlin, Vassar College

“Assessment of the Possibility of Integrating the Knowledge Bases of the Social Structure of Accumulation, Social Accounting Matrix, and the Social Fabric Matrix Approach to Analysis”
F. Gregory Hayden, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Michael J. Murray, Central College

“Social Provisioning Process and Socio-Economic Modeling”
Tae-Hee Jo, Buffalo State College

“Structure and Organization of Economic Activity: From Social Fabric to Social Accounting to Agency”
Frederic S. Lee, University of Missouri-Kansas City
Panel 14: US Financial System and Financial Reform  
Friday  
1:00 – 2:30 PM  

Moderator: Christopher Brown, Arkansas State University  

“The Rate of Profit in the Financial Sector”  
Erdogan Bakir, Bucknell University, and Al Campbell, University of Utah  

“The Structure and the Evolution of the U.S. Financial System During the 1945-1985 Period”  
Felipe Carvalho de Rezende, Hobart and William Smith Colleges  

Eric Tymoigne, Lewis and Clark College  

“Modern Monetary Theory and Energy Conservation: The ‘taxes-drive-money’ approach to government spending and ecological tax reform”  
Scott L. B. McConnell, University of Missouri-Kansas City  

Panel 15: Trade Balances and Economic Development in India and China  
Friday  
1:00 – 2:30 PM  

Moderator: Daniele Tavani, Colorado State University  

“No Easy Balancing Act: Reducing the balance of payments constraint, improving export competitiveness and productivity, and absorbing surplus-labor—the Indian experience”  
Suranjana Nabar-Bhaduri, University of Utah  

“Trade Expansion and Employment Generation: How ‘mercantilist’ does China have to be?”  
Xiao Jiang, The New School for Social Research  

“Institutional Analysis of Property Rights of China’s Futures Exchanges”  
Hua Wei, Manchester Business School  

“Technological Capability and National Innovation System: A case study of China”  
Jia Li, Shanghai University of Finance and Economics, China
Panel 16:  Darwinianism, Evolution, and Institutional Economics  
Friday  
2:45 – 4:15 PM  
Moderator:  Ioana Negru, Anglia Ruskin University, United Kingdom

“The Alternative Conception”  
J. Dennis Chasse, SUNY College at Brockport

“Memory as Social, Individual, Biological and Physical: On a general and multi-methodological evolutionary concept”  
Hayo Siemsen, Ernst Mach Institute of Philosophy of Science, Germany

“Nicholas Georgescu-Roegen: An appreciation”  
Ranganath Murthy, Western New England College

“Fox News’s Capacity to Sabotage and its Compatibility with Rawlsian Justice”  
Shane Chapman, Westminster College

Panel 17:  Institutionalism, Economic Development, and Social Provisioning  
Friday  
2:45 – 4:15 PM  
Moderator:  Janice Peterson, California State University, Fresno

“Policies to Facilitate Broad-Based Development: Establishing grounded comparative institutional advantage”  
Geoffrey Schneider, Bucknell University

“The Continuing Evolution of Economic Development: Provisioning or pecuniary activity?”  
Daphne T. Greenwood, University of Colorado-Colorado Springs, and Richard P. F. Holt, Southern Oregon University

“Globally Social Embedded Economies: the Analysis of the Current Conditions of Mexico’s Social Provisioning Process”  
Karol Gil, University of Missouri-Kansas City

“Globalization, Territory, and Institutions: The case of Barranquilla”  
Jairo J. Parada, Universidad del Norte, Barranquilla, Colombia and William R. Baca-Mejia, University of Missouri-Kansas City
Panel 18: Business Enterprises and Industrial Evolution
Friday
4:30 – 6:00 PM

Moderator: Susan R. Holmberg, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

“Self-Interest and Institutional Influence: An inquiry into the decision making of Salt Lake Businesses”
Brent Collins, Westminster College, Bryan Craven, Westminster College, and John Watkins, Westminster College

“The Theory of the Corporate Upper Class”
Frederick Schiff, University of Houston

“The Institutionalism of the Evolutionary Approach of the Firm: Entrepreneur meets Veblen’s conspicuous consumer”
Felipe Almeida, Federal University of Pampa, Brazil

“The Transition Economy of Network News”
Pamela Taylor Jackson, Colorado State University

Panel 19: Topics in Institutional-Heterodox Economic Theory I
Friday
4:30 – 6:00 PM

Moderator: Rojhat B. Avsar, Columbia College

“Bargaining over Productivity and Wages when Technical Change is Induced: Implications for Growth, Distribution, and Employment”
Daniele Tavani, Colorado State University

“Towards a Heterodox Theory of Income Distribution: State Money, Circular Production and Administered Pricing”
Ryan A. Dodd, University of Missouri-Kansas City

“How Economics Forgot (and then rediscovered) Land”
Ioana Negru, Anglia Ruskin University, United Kingdom, and James Hunter, Nottingham Trent University, United Kingdom

“Ordination Analyses: Towards instrumental liberation of the Institutionalist toolbox”
Dan Friesner, North Dakota State University, and Daniel A. Underwood, Peninsula College
Panel 20: Inquiries into Institutionalist and Post Keynesian Economics
Saturday
8:00 – 9:30 AM
Moderator: John F. Henry, University of Missouri-Kansas City

“Evidence and Implications of Germany’s Domar Problem”
John Hall, Portland State University

“A Foucauldian View of Veblen’s Institutionalism: Non-teleology and the Interdiscursivity between economics and biology”
Marco Antonio Ribas Cavalieri, Universidade Federal do Parana, Brazil
and Iara Vigo de Lima, Universidade Federal do Parana, Brazil

“The Case Against Public Austerity: A sectoral balances analysis of the macroeconomic role of government deficits”
Daniel Negreiros Conceicao, Knox College, and Bruno Negreiros Conceicao, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

“The Institutions Regulating the Distribution of Income and Wealth: What purposes should they serve?”
Christopher Brown, Arkansas State University

Panel 21: Law, Markets, Rights, and Capitalism
Saturday
8:00 – 9:30 AM
Moderator: Thomas E. Lambert, Indiana University Southeast

“The Privatization of Ocean Fisheries: A paradigmatic view”
Frederic B. Jennings Jr., Center for Ecological Economics and Ethical Education

“The Right to Organize in the Philippine Business Process Outsourcing Industry”
Jason Patalinghug, University of Connecticut

Daniel MacDonald, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

“Law and Economics from an Evolutionary Perspective”
Stephen P. Paschall, Lovett Bookman Harmon Marks LLP and Glen W. Atkinson, University of Nevada-Reno
Panel 22: Cultural, Identity, and Social Provisioning  
Saturday  
9:45 – 11:15 AM  
Moderator: Janice Peterson, California State University, Fresno  

“Economics of Identity”  
Sabina Lopez Ennen, University of Missouri-Kansas City  

“Challenges in Indigenous Cultural Valuation”  
Alex Steenstra, Northern Arizona State  

“Youth Mentoring—Expanding Care Networks to Meet the Needs of Youth”  
Paula M. Cole, University of Denver  

“What Policies for Economic and Social Development? Insights from Institutional economics and psychoanalysis”  
Arturo Hermann, Institute for Studies and Economic Analyses, Italy  

Panel 23: Topics in Institutional-Heterodox Economic Theory II  
Saturday  
9:45 – 11:15 AM  
Moderator: Tae-Hee Jo, Buffalo State College  

“The Return of the State: Marx after North”  
Korkut Erturk, University of Utah  

“Institutional Economics and Heterodox Economics”  
James Webb, University of Missouri-Kansas City  

“Unemployment as a Problem of Capitalist Economy and Policies to Resolve Unemployment”  
Kalpana Khanal, University of Missouri-Kansas City  

“Production, Prices, and Heterodox Theory of Value”  
Frederic S. Lee, University of Missouri-Kansas City