Welcome

Welcome! The intent of this newsletter is to provide a summary of recent accomplishments of the School of Economics Faculty. The newsletter will be issued three times per year, and each issue will contain publications, presentations, and other materials available since the last newsletter edition.

Journal Articles Accepted or Published


Awards:

Ken Casavant—Awarded the University’s Sahlin Faculty Excellence Award for Leadership.

Ana Espinola-Arredondo—Awarded 2nd place at the “Annual Global Development Awards and Medals Competition 2008,” for the paper “Free-riding and Cooperation in Environmental Games”.

Also honored as an Outstanding Mentor by WSU’s Women and Leadership Forum.

Eric Jessup—Promoted to Associate Research Professor.

Tom Marsh—Promoted to Full Professor.

Jia Yan—Along with co-authors Tae Oum and Chunyan Yu, won the Best Paper Award at the national Transportation Research Forum in Portland, Oregon.

Jon Yoder—Washington State University Outstanding Mentor nominee.
Journal Articles Accepted or Published Cont.


Other Publications – Book chapters, Bulletins, Grant reports, etc.


New SES Working Papers


Professional Presentations


Grants:

Ken Casavant and Eric Jessup—An award of $475,000 was received by the TRG for Phase II of the Freight Policy Transportation Institute in the School of Economic Sciences. This is the second year of an anticipated five year award.

A time extension and increase in grant of $35,000 was received from the Oregon Department of Transportation for an examination of the use of “Fuel Factors” to handle uncertainty of construction cost increases, raising the total contract to $107,000.

Ken Casavant—A grant of $20,000 was just received from the University of Washington’s transportation research center, Trans-Now, for support of TRG’s graduate student funding and travel.

Mark Gibson—New Faculty Seed Grant, 2009-2010.

Eric Jessup—A grant for $89,700 was received by the TRG from the Washington State Board for Community and Technical Colleges (WSBCTC) to, using GIS analysis, to determine how well the community and technical college system is serving the people of Washington.

Jill McCluskey—“China’s Food Consumption Trends,” USDA Economic Research Service, Cooperative Agreement #58-3000-7-0060 (new funds: $40,000.)

Faculty News

Professional Presentations Cont.


Popular Press

Agricultural economist Karina Gallardo is one of four experts to weigh in on the New York Times “Room for Debate” blog on the topic of what is driving increasing food prices (May 16, 2009).

Mark Gibson gives insightful comments about the fall in the stock market in the Pacific Northwest Inlander (Jan. 2009).

The Tri-City Herald reported on how falling milk prices are affecting mid-Columbia dairy farmers and included comments from Shannon Neibergs (Jan. 31, 2009).

A story in the Yakima Herald-Republic on how a decline in milk prices is affecting dairy producers includes comments by extension economist Shannon Neibergs on the situation (Mar. 3, 2009).


A story in the Yakima Herald-Republic on the Farm Credit Services program to provide financial help for new farmers includes quotes from WSU economist Doug Young on the financial challenges to starting a farm (May 5, 2009).

Miscellaneous News