Honors and Awards

Tim Sass, professor (Economics), was one of 12 faculty recently named a Distinguished University Professor. Georgia State has created the Distinguished University Professor appointment to recognize professors who have track records of exemplary scholarship in their respective fields of study, and whose research and teaching trajectories demonstrate a commitment to sustained high levels of academic achievement. Please see full article at: http://www.gsu.edu/news/63824.html.

Paul J. Ferraro (pictured top), professor (Economics), and Spencer Banzhaf, (pictured bottom) associate professor (Economics), were ranked among the top 50 influential authors in the field of environmental and ecological economics (2000-2009) based on a recent review “Environmental and ecological economics in the 21st century: An age adjusted citation analysis of the influential articles, journals, authors and institutions” by Hoepner et al, Ecological Economics, 77, May 2012. Article can be found at: http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0921800912001140.

Paul J. Ferraro was appointed to the Editorial Board of Land Economics. (http://uwpress.wisc.edu/journals/journals/le.html).

Paula Stephan, professor (Economics), was the keynote speaker at the National Postdoctoral Association annual meetings in Charleston, S.C., March 16, 2013. The title of her speech was “The Economics of the Postdoctoral Position.”

Publications


Toby Bolsen (Georgia State University, Dept. of Political Science), Paul J. Ferraro, professor (Economics), and Juan Jose Miranda (pictured), alumnus (Ph.D. in Economics ’12 and now with the Interamerican Development Bank), “Civic duty, political ideology and the effectiveness of norm-based approaches to environmental protection: Evidence from a large-scale randomized policy experiment,” *The American Journal of Political Science*, forthcoming.


Paul J. Ferraro, Merlin Hanauer (pictured), alumnus (Ph.D. in Economics ’11 and now with Sonoma State University), Daniela Miteva (Duke University), Gustavo Canavire-Bacareza, alumnus (Ph.D. in Economics ’11), Subhrendu Pattanayak (Duke University), and Kelly Sims (Tufts University), “More strictly protected areas are not necessarily more protective,” *Environmental Research Letters*, (2013).

Presentations

**Harvey Newman**, professor (Public Management and Policy), was part of a panel presentation on “The Atlanta Way: Lessons from the Making of Modern Atlanta for Other 21st Century Cities,” at the annual meeting of the National Society of Black Engineers. Other members of the panel were **Andrea Young**, member (AYS Advisory Board) and **Kelechi Uzochukwu**, Ph.D. Student (Public Management and Policy), Indianapolis, Ind., March 29, 2013.

**Jimmy Dills**, research associate II (Georgia Health Policy Center), presented a poster on “Incorporating Health in All Policies Perspectives into HIA Training Materials,” at the Society of Practitioners of Health Impact Assessment of the Americas Workshop in Oakland, Calif., March 11, 2013.

**Michelle Rushing**, research associate II (Georgia Health Policy Center), presented a poster on “Guiding New Health Impact Assessment Practitioners into Action with Structured Documents,” at the Society of Practitioners of Health Impact Assessment of the Americas Workshop in Oakland, Calif., March 11, 2013.

**Karen Minyard**, director (Georgia Health Policy Center) and research associate professor (Public Management and Policy), presented “The Shifting Health Care Landscape: Where Are We Now with the Affordable Care Act?” at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s Policy Lecture Series, February 25, 2013, Atlanta, Ga. More than 380 people were in attendance either in person or via a live stream online. (Pictured: Frederic E. Shaw, MD, JD, Office of Health Reform Strategy, Policy and Coordination, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention with Karen Minyard).
Karen Minyard presented “The Shifting Healthcare Landscape: How Will it Impact Atlanta?” at a Leadership Atlanta Breakfast Briefing, Atlanta, Ga., January 17, 2013. The event was moderated by Andy Miller with Georgia Health News.

Debra Kibbe, senior research associate (Georgia Health Policy Center), organized and facilitated the session “Everything You Ever Wanted to Know about Georgia’s School Nutrition Programs But Were Afraid to Ask!” at the Georgia Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics annual conference in Atlanta, Ga., March 1, 2013.

Debra Kibbe presented “A Review of Evidence-based Nutrition, Physical Activity and Obesity-Related Interventions” at the Dr. Daniel S. Blumenthal Annual Public Health Summit 2013 ‘Preventing Obesity through the Life Stages’ at Morehouse School of Medicine, Atlanta, Ga., April 2, 2013.

Kristi Fuller, research associate II (Georgia Health Policy Center), presented a poster on “Quality of Life Predictors: Differences among Recently Transitioned Populations,” at the 34th Annual Southern Gerontological Society Meeting, Charlotte, N.C., April 4, 2013.

Yongsheng Xu, professor (Economics), presented “A Conceptual Framework for the Ethical Basis of Public Policy,” at the 2013 GCOE conference series on Choice, Games and Welfare: Equality and Welfare held at Hitotsubashi University, Tokyo, Japan, March 18-20, 2013. He also gave three lectures on measuring deprivation and living standards in a multi-dimensional framework to young researchers and graduate students at Hitotsubashi University.
Dennis Young, professor (Public Management and Policy) and director (Nonprofit Studies Program), presented “The concept of shared value and the sustainability frontier I social businesses” to the annual conference of the Israeli Social Enterprise Research Conference in the Recanati Business School of Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, Israel, March 12, 2013. On March 11 he also led a discussion of current research on social enterprise with doctoral students and faculty at Tel Aviv University.

Dennis R. Young presented “The Diversity and Stability of Social Enterprise” in the research seminar series of the Center on Philanthropy and Public Policy at the Sol Price School of Public Policy at the University of Southern California, Los Angeles, Calif., March 25, 2013.

Media Hits

Chris Parker, associate project director (Georgia Health Policy Center), was quoted in the Douglas County Sentinel article, “Douglas County is getting healthier, but obesity remains a concern” on March 24, 2013. The full article can be viewed online at: http://www.douglascountysentinel.com/view/full_story/22057435/article-Douglas-County-is-getting-healthier--but-obesity-remains-a-concern?instance=DShome_news_top.

Glenn Landers (pictured), associate project director (Georgia Health Policy Center), and Kristi Fuller, research associate II (Georgia Health Policy Center), published the article, “Kristi Fuller and Glenn Landers on Ensuring Utility in Evaluation Practice” on AEA365 A Tip-a-Day by and for Evaluators blog on March 24, 2013. The article can be viewed online at: http://aea365.org/blog/?p=8630&utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+aea365+%28AEA365%29.

Gregory B. Lewis also appeared on NBC Nightly News on the same topic on March 26, 2013.  [http://www.nbcnews.com/id/3032619/#VpFlash].


Activities & Outreach

James C. Cox, professor (Economics), director (Experimental Economics Center), and the Noah Langdale Jr. Chair in Economics/Georgia Research Alliance Eminent Scholar, participated in meetings of the Board of Advisers and the Executive Committee for the Southern Economic Association, March 14-15, 2013.

Joined by speakers pictured from England and Scotland, Jan Ligon (pictured far right), associate professor (Social Work) participated in a March 14, 2013 conference held in Edinburgh, Scotland, on helping families affected by substance abuse.

Paula Stephan, professor (Economics) gave the 28th Annual Harry A. Feldman Lecture at the American Epidemiological Society, Michigan State University, Lansing, Mich., March 21, 2013 her speech was titled “How Economics Shapes Science.”

Paula Stephan gave the President’s Distinguished Lecture at the Society for Gynecological Investigators, Orlando, Fla., March 22, 2013. The speech was titled “How Economics Shapes Science.”
New Staff

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Events

The Georgia Health Policy Center (GHPC), participated in the Voices for Georgia’s Children’s United Against Childhood Obesity Day at the Capitol on March 27, 2013.

Pictured are: Voices for Georgia’s Children members and friends with Governor Nathan Deal. GHPC staff featured in the photo: Debbie Kibbe senior research associate (Georgia Health Policy Center).

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