Andrew Young School Students and Alum Receive 2011 MLK Torch of Peace Award

Faculty, staff, and students congratulate the three AYS recipients of the 2011 Martin Luther King, Jr., Torch of Peace Awards. This year marks the 12th year that the school has celebrated a Torch of Peace honoree.

Catherine Ann Slocum, Ph.D. student (Public Management and Policy), received the 2011 Martin Luther King, Jr. Torch of Peace Award for Graduate Students.

Kristy Joseph, alum (Masters in Economics 2010), was selected the 2011 recipient of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Torch of Peace Award for Alumni.

Gabrielle Arrington, bachelor of science student (Public Policy), was selected the 2011 recipient of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Torch of Peace Award for Undergraduate Students.

The awards were presented during the Martin Luther King, Jr. Convocation on January 20, 2011, in the Student Center’s State Ballroom.
Publications

Yongsheng Xu, professor (Economics), Aditi Bhattacharyya (Sam Houston State University) and Prasanta K. Pattanaik (University of California, Riverside), "Choice, internal consistency, and rationality," Economics and Philosophy, (Cambridge University Press), forthcoming.

Paul Ferraro, associate professor (Economics), and Merlin Hanauer, Ph.D. student (Economics), "Conditions Associated with Protected Area Success in Conservation and Poverty Reduction" with co-author Katharine Sims (Amherst College) in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, the highly prestigious journal of the U.S. National Academy of Sciences, forthcoming.


Presentations

Roy Bahl, Regents Professor (Economics) presented and led a one-day workshop for the Egyptian Ministry of Finance on the subject, “Intergovernmental Fiscal Transfers,” Cairo, Egypt, December 16, 2010. He also presented a lecture at Cairo University on "Local Economic Development" on December 20, 2010.
Paula Stephan, professor (Economics), was the rapporteur for the session titled "S&T Workforce Development" at the Workshop on the Science of Science Measurement held by the Office of Science and Technology Policy, Executive Office of the President, at the National Press Club, December 2-3, Washington, D.C. At this workshop, Sharon Levin (University of Missouri-St. Louis) presented a paper she jointly authored with Stephan titled, "Linking Investigator-Initiated Federal Research Grants with the Production and Scientific Development of Doctoral Scientists and Engineers." [http://www.nsf.gov/sbe/sosp/workforce/levin.pdf](http://www.nsf.gov/sbe/sosp/workforce/levin.pdf)

Harvey K. Newman, chair and professor (Public Management and Policy), made a presentation titled “Corruption and Ethics Policy in State and Local Government” at Georgia State University, to a visiting delegation from Hangzhou, China, at the request of Georgia State Representative Gerald Greene, December 3, 2010.

Andrew Hanson, assistant professor (Economics) presented, "Do Landlords Discriminate in the Rental Housing Market? Evidence from an Internet Field Experiment in U.S. Cities" at the annual meetings of the Urban Economics Association (part of the Regional Science Association), Denver, CO., November 10-12.

Andrew Hanson presented, "Size of Home, Home Ownership, and the Mortgage Interest Deduction" at the annual meetings of the National Tax Association in Chicago, IL, November 18-20, 2010. He also received an award for Outstanding Effort in Organizing the Graduate Student Program (with Jon Rork of Reed College).

Media Hits

Barry Hirsch, professor (Economics) and the W.J. Usery Chair of the American Workplace, was interviewed and quoted in an article by Barney Tumey titled, "Delta Passenger Service Workers Reject IAM," appearing in the December 8, 2010, Bureau of National Affairs Daily Labor Report.


Activities & Outreach

Paul Ferraro, associate professor (Economics) was in Zambia to advise the United Nations Development Programme and the Global Environment Facility in their evaluation of a performance monitoring system used to track the performance of funds invested in low-income nations under the umbrella of the Convention on Biological Diversity, November 22 to December 4, 2010.
Jorge Martinez receives honorary doctorate in Spain

Regents Professor of Economics Jorge Martínez Vázquez, and director of the International Studies Program, was awarded a Doctoral Honoris Causa degree, from the University of Vigo in Vigo, Galicia, Spain. He received the award at a special ceremony held by the university’s Department of Applied Economics on January 31. The honor recognizes Martinez for his extensive body of work and research excellence in fiscal decentralization, taxation and tax management.

Health Policy Center Researchers Receive Awards

Glenn M. Landers, senior research associate (Georgia Health Policy Center), was honored in December 2010 with the “Outstanding Student Award” from the Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine, Health Systems Management, Executive Doctor of Science, 2009 Cohort.

Jane Branscomb, research associate (Georgia Health Policy Center), was selected as a member of the Phi Chapter of the Delta Omega Honorary Society at the Rollins School of Public Health at Emory University in 2010.

New Faculty Join Andrew Young School

Jim Martin has returned to the Andrew Young School of Policy as a visiting Professor of Practice in the Department of Public Management and Policy. He is teaching the undergraduate course entitled “Citizenship, the Community and the Public Sector” and the graduate course entitled “Law for Public Managers”. Previously Jim had been the MPA program development director.
Andrew Feltenstein joined the department of Economics as a professor in January. His primary fields of research are public economics and applied general equilibrium. Prior to joining the Andrew Young School, Feltenstein was at the National Science Foundation.

Judex Hyppolite joined the department of Economics as a visiting assistant professor in January. His research areas are in econometrics, monetary economics and finance. Prior to joining the Andrew Young School, Hyppolite was completing his Ph.D. at Indiana University.

Andrew Young School Welcomes Visiting Fellow

Dr. Tawni Hunt Ferrarini visited the Andrew Young School January 31, 2011 through February 3, 2011 and worked with Shelby Frost through the AYS Visiting Fellows Program. Ferrarini is the Sam M. Cohodas Professor in the Department of Economics at Northern Michigan University and Director of the Northern Michigan University Center for Economic Education and Entrepreneurship. Well-known as a leader in economic education, she has recently been recognized with several awards including the Michigan Council on Economic Education 2009 MCEE Economic Educator of the Year and the Abbejean Kehler Technology Award presented by the National Association of Economic Educators. Ferrarini held a brown bag discussion session on teaching economics with technology on February 2, 2011.

Publications


Presentations

Roy Bahl, regents professor (Economics), made a presentation as part of a Roundtable on African Property Taxation, hosted by the African Tax Institute of the University of Pretoria and The Lincoln Institute of Land Policy in Cape Town, South Africa, December 2010.


Harvey Newman, made a presentation on "Atlanta's History and Politics" to a class of students from Columbia Theological Seminary (Atlanta) on January 5, 2011.


Barry Hirsch, professor (Economics) and the W.J. Usery Chair of the American Workplace, presented the paper, "Unions, Dynamism, and Performance," at the session, "Law and Economics of Labor and Employment Relations," he was also a discussant of a paper by Torberg Falch (Norwegian University of Science and Technology), "Teacher mobility responses to wage changes: Evidence from a quasi natural experiment," presented at the AEA session, "Mobility and Monopsony in the Labor Market," at the Allied Social Science Association Meetings, Denver, CO, January 7, 2011.

Media Hits

Barry Hirsch, professor (Economics) and the W.J. Usery Chair of the American Workplace, was interviewed and quoted in an article by Steven Greenhouse, "Union Membership in U.S. Fell to a 70-Year Low Last Year," appearing in the January 21, 2011, New York Times. Article can be found at: http://www.nytimes.com/2011/01/22/business/22union.html?_r=1&scp=1&sq=barry%20hirsch&st=cse/.
The Atlanta Journal Constitution’s article “New Tax Break for Providing Insurance” on December 26, 2010 referenced the Georgia Health Policy Center and used estimates from its 50-State Health Reform Calculator for Small Businesses©. Article can be found at: http://www.ajc.com/business/new-tax-break-for-787365.html.

Harvey K. Newman, chair and professor (Public Management and Policy), was interviewed by Martha Dalton of WABE Public Radio about the increase in poverty in Georgia on January 7, 2011.

Harvey Newman was interviewed by Lori Geary of WSB-TV Channel 2 News about the Georgia Department of Transportation’s response to the ice and snow. The interview was shown on the 6 o’clock news on January 18, 2010.

The Fiscal Research Center was cited in an article titled: “A Vital Statistic” in the Commentary section of the January 2011 edition of Georgia Trend magazine. Article can be found at: http://www.georgiatrend.com/guest-commentary/01_11_commentary.shtml.

A Fiscal Research Center report by John Matthews, retired senior research associate (Fiscal Research Center) and alum Sean Turner (pictured), (Ph.D. Economics ’10), is cited in the January 21, 2011, Atlanta Journal Constitution blog by Jay Bookman titled “Why is Ga’s economy worsening, while the national economy improves?” Article can be found at: http://blogs.ajc.com/jay-bookman-blog/2011/01/21/why-is-ga-s-economy-worsening-while-the-national-economy-improves/.

Activities & Outreach

Andrey Timofeev, research associate (International Studies Program) and Musharraf R. Cyan (pictured), research associate (International Studies Program), completed a one-week mission in Macedonia from December 12-18, 2010. This was the first mission under the project commissioned by United Nations Development Programme to reform Macedonia’s system of intergovernmental grants.
Shelby Frost, clinical associate professor (Economics), has been elected to the Board of Directors of the Georgia Association of Economic Educators.  
http://www.gcee.org/about/ga_assoc_of_economic_education.asp

John C. Thomas, professor (Public Management and Policy), was appointed to the Editorial Board of the Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory.

Student & Alumni News

Bethany Davis, graduate student (Public Management and Policy), concentrating in nonprofit management, completed her American Humanics internship at the Carter Center in December. An Americas Program intern, Davis monitored the news on Cuba and supported the Andean-U.S. Dialogue Forum via research, events management, evaluation and report writing. She has moved to Washington, D.C., to continue working on the forum for the Carter Center and to begin a “virtual internship” with the Department of State.

Congratulations

James Marton, associate professor (Economics) and Dana Marton adopted a baby boy, Michael, over the holiday break. Michael was born on December 14, 2010 in New Jersey and weighed 6 pounds, 12 ounces. Jim and Dana were able to be there for his birth.
Publications


Glenn M. Landers (pictured), senior research associate (Georgia Health Policy Center) and Mei Zhou, data analyst and research associate (Georgia Health Policy Center) (2011). “An Analysis of Relationships Among Peer Support, Psychiatric Hospitalization, and Crisis Stabilization,” *Community Mental Health Journal*, 47(1), 106. The article is also available at: [www.springerlink.com/content/0x32784p24554318/](http://www.springerlink.com/content/0x32784p24554318/)


Grants

Chris Parker, senior research associate (Georgia Health Policy Center), was awarded a $40,476 contract from the Georgia Department of Community Health’s Division of Public Health for a project that will involve updating the five-year strategic plan for the Cardiovascular Health Initiative.

Presentations

David L. Sjoquist, professor (Economics), director (Fiscal Research Center and Domestic Programs), and the Dan E. Sweat Distinguished Chair in Educational and Community Policy, spoke before about 200 people at the Georgia Budget and Policy Institute's 2011 Policy Conference on “Georgia's Tax Reform Council's Recommendations,” Atlanta, GA, January 21, 2011.

David L. Sjoquist spoke before about 100 city elected officials at the Georgia Municipal Association’s Policy Conference on "Georgia's Tax Reform Council's Recommendations," in Atlanta, January 23, 2011. He also spoke to about 75 people at the United Way of Atlanta’s Briefing Session on "Georgia’s Tax Reform Council’s Recommendations" in Atlanta, January 24, 2011.


A poster by Angie Snyder (pictured), senior research associate (Georgia Health Policy Center) with Daniel Crimmins (Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities) and Mei Zhou, research associate and data analyst (Georgia Health Policy Center), titled “Geographic Disparities in Service Utilization by Medicaid and Chip-Eligible Children with Autism” was presented at the Combating Autism Act Initiative Conference, Bethesda, MD, January 13, 2010.
Media Hits


**Deon Locklin**, director (Public Performance Management Group) and **Gregory Streib**, professor (Public Management and Policy), were mentioned in relation to the DeKalb Staffing Analysis conducted by PPM in 2010 on the Georgia Gang public affairs broadcast on *Fox 5 Atlanta*, January 23, 2011. The panel pointed to the report recommendations as one answer to DeKalb County’s budget problems.


**Harvey K. Newman**, chair and professor (Public Management and Policy), taped an interview with *CBC Radio* (Canada) on the Cultural Legacy of the Atlanta Olympic Games. The interview was recorded on February 2, 2011.


**Felix Rioja** was interviewed for the article “Life with high inflation” in *Capital*, a political and economic weekly, on January 14, 2011.
David L. Sjoquist, professor (Economics), director (Fiscal Research Center and Domestic Programs), and the Dan E. Sweat Distinguished Chair in Educational and Community Policy, and the Fiscal Research Center was cited in the Rome News-Tribune article, “Georgia now seeing recession's full impact,” January 16, 2011. http://romenews-tribune.com/view/full_story/11031157/article-Georgia-now-seeing-recession-s-full-impact?


The Fiscal Research Center was cited in The Augusta Chronicle article, “Georgia studies tax hike for schools,” January 17, 2011.


Publications


**James Marton**, associate professor (Economics) and coauthors Jenny Kenney, Jen Pelletier, and Ariel Klein of the (Urban Institute), and Jeff Talbert (University of Kentucky), “The Effects of Medicaid and CHIP Policy Changes on Receipt of Preventive Care among Children in Kentucky and Idaho,” *Health Services Research*, 46, February 2011, pp. 298-318.


Katherine Willoughby (pictured), professor (Public Management and Policy), and coauthors Sarah Arnett, graduate student (Public Management and Policy) and Yi Lu (City University of New York), “Performance Budgeting in the American States: What’s Law Got to Do with It?” State and Local Government Review, forthcoming.

James Marton, associate professor (Economics) and coauthor Pat Ketsche (J. Mac Robinson College of Business) “Funding Trauma Care in Georgia,” Journal of the Medical Association of Georgia, 99(4), December 2010, pp. 19-20.

Correction: Last week Neven Valev was inadvertently left off as coauthor for the Applied Economics article below.


Grants

The Georgia Health Policy Center is working on a $300,000 contract from the Georgia Governor’s Office of Planning and Budget to provide research and policy guidance for a health insurance exchange feasibility study. The following reports related to the project can be found online at www.gsu.edu/ghpc:

- Sources of Health Insurance Coverage in Georgia
- Trends in Health Insurance Coverage in Georgia
- Findings from Small Business Focus Groups: Implications for Health Benefit Exchanges

Presentations

Julie Hotchkiss, adjunct professor (Economics), and research economist and policy advisor (Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta), presented “Wage Impacts of Undocumented Workers,” at the University of California-Riverside, February 16, 2011 and at Claremont-McKenna College in Claremont, CA., February 18, 2011.
Bill Waugh, professor (Public Management and Policy), presented status reports on his projects, “Risk-Based Planning” and “Multi-Organizational Leadership,” at the annual conference of the Center for Natural Disasters, Coastal Infrastructure, and Emergency Management, a DHS Center of Excellence, at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, January 31 and February 1, 2011.

Karen Minyard, executive director (Georgia Health Policy Center) and associate research professor (Public Management and Policy), presented “State Implications of Health Reform” to the Georgia House Appropriations Health Subcommittee, Atlanta, GA, February 17, 2011.


Katherine Willoughby, professor (Public Management and Policy), gave an invited lecture at the Cobb County Managers’ Retreat in Kennesaw, Ga., on February 17, 2011, titled, “Governmental Budgeting: Current Methods for Managing through Fiscal Crisis.”

Harvey K. Newman, chair and professor (Public Management and Policy), made a presentation on “Religion and Politics: Senate Bill 10” to the faculty and students of the GSU Religion Department as part of the "Religion in the News" series, February 21, 2011.
Media Hits

Rachel Ferencik, research associate II (Georgia Health Policy Center), was featured in the isee systems, inc., online newsletter, The Connector, “STELLA Helps Georgia Legislators Investigate Childhood Obesity,” for her work in childhood obesity. Newsletter can be found at: http://www.iseesystems.com/community/connector/connector.aspx


Correction: The following two submissions were misidentified in the last Dean’s E-news. Neven Valev should have been credited with the media hits.

Neven T. Valev, was interviewed for the article “Life with high inflation” in *Capital*, a political and economic weekly, on January 14, 2011.

**Activities & Outreach**

Bill Waugh, professor (Public Management and Policy), discussed the development of international disaster management standards, incident management systems, and preparedness for a pandemic, with a group sponsored by the U.S. State Department and the Georgia Council on International Visitors on February 17, 2011. The program, “Public Safety: Preparing for Potential Pandemic Disease,” included officials from Australia, Bangladesh, Brazil, El Salvador, Haiti, India, Nigeria, Rwanda and the West Bank.

Resul Cesur, visiting assistant professor (Economics), recently received a tenure-track job offer from the University of Connecticut (main campus), Department of Finance. He will be working in the Department of Finance at the University of Connecticut starting Fall 2011.

Congratulations to the following Andrew Young School staff who completed the Georgia State University's Research Administrator Certificate Program, a semester-long program to advance understanding in all aspects of grant and contract management. Pictured below from left to right: Moreblessing Dzivakwe research associate (Public Performance and Management), Crista Wrenn, research associate (Public Performance and Management), Shannan Hodgman, assistant to the dean (Dean’s Office), Ila Alfaro, associate to the director (Experimental Economics Center), Jaiwan Harris, business manager II (Domestic Programs), Dorie Taylor, assistant director (Fiscal Research Program), Elsa Gebremedhin, admin.-spec.-managerial (Public Management and Policy), and Caroline Griffin, admin.-spec.-managerial (Economics).
Two AYS faculty proposals are among eight to receive second round funding from GSU’s Second Century Initiative

The proposal, *Atlanta Census Research Data Center (ACRDC) Health Policy & Risky Behaviors*, submitted by [James Marton](#) (pictured on left), associate professor of economics, and professor [Barry Hirsch](#) (pictured on right), the W.J. Usery Chair of the American Workplace, has been awarded $300,000 in the second round of Georgia State University’s Second Century Initiative (2CI). Those providing support for the proposal include AYS dean [Mary Beth Walker](#); [Sally Wallace](#), chair of the Department of Economics; [Michael Eriksen](#), director of the Institute of Public Health; and [Lauren Adamson](#), dean of the College of Arts & Sciences.

[Karen Minyard](#) (pictured), director of the Georgia Health Policy Center, was on the team that submitted the winning proposal, *Health Information Technology*, led by [Ephraim McLean](#), chair of the Department of Computer Information Systems. Deans [Mary Beth Walker](#) and [H. Fenwick Huss](#) of the J. Mack Robinson College of Business provided support for the proposal, along with [Andrew Sumner](#), director of the RCB’s Institute of Health Administration.

Designed to enhance GSU’s interdisciplinary richness and improve its global competitiveness and recognition, 2CI promotes the hiring of 100 targeted faculty over the next five years. The eight proposals funded this round will soon be available online at [http://www.gsu.edu/secondcentury/44810.html](http://www.gsu.edu/secondcentury/44810.html).

**AYS faculty Promotion and Tenure announcements**

Congratulations to [Paul Ferraro](#) on his promotion by Georgia State University to the rank of Professor in the Andrew Young School’s Department of Economics.

Congratulations also to Associate Professors of economics [James H. Marton](#) (pictured left) and [Kurt E. Schnier](#) (pictured right), who were awarded tenure by Georgia State University.
AYS at the Capital

The Georgia Health Policy Center was a gold sponsor at the Georgia Rural Health Association’s Rural Health Day at the Capitol on February 16, 2011. GRHA was recognized in the House by Rep. Alan Powell (R-Hartwell) and in the Senate by Sen. Johnny Grant (R-Milledgeville).

GRHA members and friends with Governor Nathan Deal
GHPC staff featured in the photo: Annette Pope, Liz Imperiale and Rachel Ferencik

Publications

David L. Sjoquist (pictured), professor (Economics), director (Fiscal Research Center and Domestic Programs), and the Dan E. Sweat Distinguished Chair in Educational and Community Policy, "Citizen 'Trust' as an Explanation of State Funding to Local School Districts" in Publius: The Journal of Federalism, co-authored with James Alm (Tulane University) and Robert Buschman, senior research associate (Fiscal Research Center), forthcoming.
Grants

Cathy Yang Liu, assistant professor (Public Management and Policy), was awarded a $5,000 grant from the W. E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research for a research proposal entitled "Hit by the great recession? Immigrant employment in urban America."

Fiscal Research Center Publications

Carolyn Bourdeaux (pictured), associate professor (Public Management and Policy) and associate director (Fiscal Research Center) and Sungman Jun, graduate student (Public Management and Policy). "Comparing Georgia's Revenue Portfolio to Regional and National Peers." FRC Brief 222, January 2011.

Presentations

Karen Minyard (pictured), director (Georgia Health Policy Center) and Associate Research Professor (Public Management and Policy), Holly Avey, senior research associate (Georgia Health Policy Center), and Naima Wong, research associate (Georgia Health Policy Center), along with Jack Sprott (McPherson Implementing Local Redevelopment Authority) presented “A Health in All Policies Approach to Large Scale Redevelopment: Fort McPherson BRAC (Base Realignment and Closure)” during the Roundtable on the Promotion of Health Equity and the Elimination of Health Disparities at the Institute of Medicine’s Reducing Disparities in Life Expectancy Workshop on February 24, 2011 in Washington, DC.
Media Hits


Carolyn Bourdeaux, was quoted in the WABE story, "Experts weigh in on zero-based budget plan" on March 2, 2011.

Activities & Outreach

Georgia Health Policy Center Receives $9.2 Million Grant

The Georgia Health Policy Center was awarded three contracts totaling more than $9.2 million from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services’ Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) to support health care access in the rural United States over the next three to five years.

Administered by the Federal Office of Rural Health Policy at HRSA, the funding supports four grant programs: Delta State Rural Development Network, Rural Health Care Services Outreach, Rural Health Network Development, and Rural Health Workforce Development. HRSA’s Office of Rural Health Policy provides these programs to increase access to care for residents of rural and frontier communities.

The GHPC’s Community Health Systems Development (CHSD) team, a staff of 14 health care experts, will manage the project.

Georgia Health Policy Center Hosts “Systems Thinking” Workshop

Rachel Ferencik (far left), research associate II with the Georgia Health Policy Center, organized the workshop, “Systems Thinking for Georgia Injury Prevention” on March 8 and 9, 2011. The program focused on developing a strategy model for injury prevention in Georgia. Attendees included trauma and injury prevention professionals from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Georgia Department of Community Health, Governor’s Office of Highway Safety, Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta, Emory University School of Medicine, Georgia Institute of Technology, Medical College of Georgia, and several trauma hospitals.
Publications

Cathy Yang Liu, assistant professor (Public Management and Policy), "Immigrant Settlement and Employment Suburbanization: Is There a Spatial Mismatch?" with Gary Painter (University of Southern California), Urban Studies, forthcoming.


Roy Bahl (pictured), regents professor (Economics), “Challenges to Intergovernmental Fiscal Relations in Pakistan: The Revenue Assignment Dimension,” with Musharraf Cyan, senior research associate (International Studies Program) and Sally Wallace, chair and professor (Economics), in Global Perspectives on the Obstacles to Fiscal Devolution. Eds. by Jorge Martinez-Vazquez, regents professor (Economics) and director (International Studies Program) and Francois Vaillancourt (University of Montreal), Edward Elgar, 2011.

Fiscal Research Center Reports

David L. Sjoquist, professor (Economics), director (Fiscal Research Center and Domestic Programs) and the Dan E. Sweat Distinguished Chair in Educational and Community Policy; Sally Wallace, chair and professor (Economics); Laura Wheeler, senior research associate (Fiscal Research Center); Kenneth Heaghney, research professor (Economics) and State Fiscal Economist; Peter Bluestone, (pictured) senior research associate (Fiscal Research Center) and Andrew Stephenson, Ph.D., student (Economics), “Estimated Change in Tax Liability of Tax Reform Council's Proposals,” FRC Special Brief, February 2011. http://aysps.gsu.edu/frc/files/Correction_Tax_Burden_Policy_Memo_Estimates_3-7-11.pdf.
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Glenwood Ross clinical associate professor (Economics), and Nevbahar Ertas, alum (Ph.D. Public Policy '07), “Recent Changes in Occupations Among Georgia's Labor Force,” FRC Brief 225 (February 2011).

Laura Wheeler (pictured), senior research associate (Fiscal Research Center) and David L. Sjoquist, professor (Economics), director (Fiscal Research Center and Domestic Programs) and the Dan E. Sweat Distinguished Chair in Educational and Community Policy, Creating a Better Business Tax Credit, FRC Brief 226 (February 2011).

Presentations


Media Hits

Barry Hirsch, professor (Economics) and the W.J. Usery Chair of the American Workplace was interviewed and cited in an article by Steven Verburg, "Know the Facts: What is Collective Bargaining?" in the Wisconsin State Journal Madison, March 1, 2011.  
http://host.madison.com/wsj/news/local/govt-and-politics/article_95b9feae-439c-11e0-b0d1-001cc4c002e0.html
Data from UnionStats.com, produced by Barry Hirsch, jointly with David Macpherson (Trinity University), was shown and cited in the editorial, "A Union Education," in the Wall Street Journal, March 1, 2011. 
http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424052748704615504576172701898769040.html?mod=WSJ_Opinion_L


David L. Sjoquist, professor (Economics), director (Fiscal Research Center and Domestic Programs), and the Dan E. Sweat Distinguished Chair in Educational and Community Policy, was cited in The Atlanta Journal-Constitution article titled "Film industry pleads tax case," March 2, 2011. 

Dave Sjoquist, was cited in the Special Report section of the Atlanta Journal-Constitution article titled, "Remaking Georgia's tax code," March 3, 2011.

Activities & Outreach

Sally Wallace, chair and professor (Economics), traveled to Pretoria, South Africa to participate in the African Tax Institute Tax Policy program and provided a series of lectures on tax policy and analysis, February 28 - March 5, 2011.
Andrew Young School Hosts Career Fair

The Nonprofit Leadership Alliance student organization hosted its Spring 2011 Nonprofit Career Showcase event on Thursday, March 17th in the Andrew Young building. Nonprofit employers from 30 different local agencies attended the event and 100+ students from criminal justice, economics, public policy and social work attended. Employers came with internships in hand as well as some great networking opportunities, and commented overall on how well prepared our students were and how strong they presented themselves.

Another career fair will be hosted by the school on Friday, April 8th, from 1-4 p.m. (7th floor), and this event will focus on career opportunities in Government & Policy. The event is open to Andrew Young students only (both graduate and undergraduate), and students can learn more about the list of employers and submit their registration to attend by visiting the registration website at: http://aysps.gsu.edu/5884.html.

The Dean’s E-News is a feature published by the AYSPS Dean’s Office. For publication in the next issue, please submit your news items by Thursday at 5:15 p.m. to Gayon McFarquhar-Johnson at prcgmjx@langate.gsu.edu.
AYS Hosts Inaugural Symposium on Crime Policy & Research

On March 10th, 2011, The Crime & Violence Prevention Policy Initiative co-chaired by Volkan Topalli, associate professor (Criminal Justice), and Erdal Tekin, associate professor (Economics) hosted the Inaugural Symposium on Crime Policy & Research. Entitled, "Crime and the Economy: Research, Policy, and Implications for the 21st Century," the symposium brought together internationally known scholars Phillip Cook, ITT/Sanford professor of public policy (Duke University); Janet Lauritsen, professor of criminology & criminal justice (The University of Missouri-St.Louis) and visiting fellow (Bureau of Justice Statistics); and Richard Rosenfeld, Curator's professor of criminology and criminal justice (University of Missouri-St. Louis) and recent appointee by Attorney General Eric Holder to The National Crime Science Panel.

The event was co-sponsored by the Andrew Young School of Policy Studies, The Emory University Center for Injury Control, and the W.J, Usery Chair of the American Workplace.

Pictured above (left to right): Erdal Tekin, Phillip Cook, Janet Lauritsen, Richard Ronsenfeld, and Volkan Topalli.
Events

The twenty year anniversary of the publication of *Urban Public Finance in Developing Countries* (Oxford University Press) by Roy Bahl, regents professor (Economics) and Johannes Linn (Center for Global Priorities) will be celebrated with a conference at the Brookings Institution in Washington DC in July 2011. The meeting will include contributions from leading scholars from around the world, who are writing chapters that cover the same materials as were in the original book. Roy Bahl, Johannes Linn, and Deborah Wetzel (World Bank) will chair the conference and will edit the subsequent book, which will be published by the Lincoln Institute.

Publications

David L. Sjoquist, professor (Economics), director (Fiscal Research Center and Domestic Programs) and the Dan E. Sweat Distinguished Chair in Educational and Community Policy, "Building the Stock of College-Educated Labor Revisited" in the *Journal of Human Resources*, co-authored with John V. Winters, alumnus (Ph.D. Economics '09) and now on faculty at Auburn University-Montgomery, forthcoming.


Presentations

Media Hits


Dave Sjoquist, professor (Economics), director (Fiscal Research Center and Domestic Programs) and the Dan E. Sweat Distinguished Chair in Educational and Community Policy, was cited in the Atlanta Journal-Constitution story “Georgia's Tax Code: Tax plan's search for fairness hits popular exemptions,” March 18, 2011.

AYS students present and win in GSU’s Undergraduate Research Conference

Congratulations go to student Isaac Boring, (B.A. in Economics ’10) and now studying for an M.A. in Economics, who placed third in oral presentations at the Georgia State University Undergraduate Research Conference. Boring’s winning paper was his undergraduate thesis: “Growth Empirics and Economic Convergence in the European Union.” http://www.gsu.edu/news/47179.html

AYS economics clinical assistant professor Grace O sponsored both Boring and student Amanda Elliott, a junior in Business Economics, who presented “Japanese Trade and its barrier: Kiretsu.” AYS student Seharish Gillani, a junior in International Economics and Modern Languages, also presented her research, entitled “Trust in Foreign Nationals and Economic Freedom.” Gillani’s sponsor was AYS economics visiting assistant professor Antonio Saravia.

This year’s conference was held at the Student Center on March 16. Congratulations to all of our student presenters on their accomplishment!
Student & Alumni News

**Elizabeth Searing**, graduate student (Economics), presented "Playing the Market Good or Well? The Ethical Implications of the 'Flash Crash'" at the 2011 Association for Practical and Professional Ethics conference in Cincinnati, Ohio. The association awarded the paper its Graduate Student Prize in Practical and Professional Ethics.

Publications

David L. Sjoquist (pictured), professor (Economics), director (Fiscal Research Center and Domestic Programs) and the Dan E. Sweat Distinguished Chair in Educational and Community Policy, "Rethinking Local Government Reliance on the Property Tax" in *Regional Science and Urban Economics*, with James Alm (Tulane University), Robert Buschman, Ph.D. student (Economics) and senior research associate (Fiscal Research Center), forthcoming.


Presentations


Activities & Outreach

Bill Waugh, professor (Public Management and Policy), participated in a Katrina Task Force panel on the state of emergency management and the Japanese earthquake, tsunami and nuclear disaster and on association President-Elect Tom Liou's Leadership Committee meeting at the National Conference of the American Society for Public Administration in Baltimore, March 11-15, 2011.
James C. Cox, professor (Economics), director (Experimental Economics Center), and the Noah Langdale Jr. Chair in Economics/Georgia Research Alliance Eminent Scholar, presided as president of the Southern Economic Association at the meeting of its Board of Trustees in Washington, D.C., Friday, March 18, 2011.

Public Performance and Management Group Update

In the wake of Deon Locklin's (pictured left), director (Public Performance Management Group - PPM), retirement for medical reasons, Greg Streib (pictured right), professor (Public Management and Policy), has been appointed as the Director of Public Performance and Management Group. Streib brings a wealth of experience and knowledge necessary to provide the oversight and leadership to move forward. Please join us in congratulating him on his new role.

Also, due to the close association of PPM's work with the areas of study in PMAP, going forward PPM will report to the PMAP Chair.

Student & Alumni News

Congratulations

The American Humanics/Nonprofit Leadership Alliance group was just awarded the 2011 Carl V. Patton President's Award for Community Service and Social Action. The Service Recognition ceremony for award winners will be held on April 26, 2011 at 2:00pm in the Ballroom at the Student University Center.
Publications


Presentations

**Barry Hirsch**, professor (Economics) and W.J. Usery Chair of the American Workplace, presented the paper, "Teacher Salaries, State Collective Bargaining Laws, and Union Coverage," jointly with David Macpherson (Trinity University) and **John Winters** (Ph.D. in Economics ’09 and now an assistant professor at Auburn University, Montgomery) at the Association for Education Finance and Policy annual conference, Seattle, WA, March 26, 2011.

**Bill Waugh**, professor (Public Management and Policy) presented "Living with Risk in Japan and Adapting to the Challenge of Cascading Disasters" as part of the GSU Asian Studies Center panel and discussion on "The Earthquake, Tsunami and Nuclear Power Plant Crisis in Japan: Scientific Explanations and Policy Responses," on March 29, 2011. The event was sponsored by the GSU Asian Studies Center in collaboration with the College of Arts and Sciences’ Departments of Political Science, Physics & Astronomy, and Geosciences, and the Andrew Young School of Policy Studies' Department of Public Management and Policy.
Teresa Harrison, visiting scholar (Public Management and Policy and Nonprofit Studies Program) presented "Nonprofits, Crowd-out, and Credit Constraints" at a Clemson University seminar series on March 11, 2011.

Media Hits

Paul Ferraro, associate professor (Economics), was quoted in the Atlanta Journal-Constitution article, “Georgia's future as an energy producer? Debatable,” March 30, 2011.  

Cathy Yang Liu, assistant professor (Public Management and Policy), was interviewed and cited in the article, "Nashville trails many Southern cities in black population increases," Nashville City Paper, March 28, 2011.  

Activities & Outreach

Shelby Frost, clinical associate professor (Economics) and director of the GSU Center for Business and Economic Education, was the reader for the quiz bowl round of the 2011 Georgia Economics Challenge hosted at the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta on March 28, 2011.  

Gerry Neumark, part-time instructor (Public Management and Policy) was invited to participate in a round table discussion on the interpretation of the American Constitution for the People TV program, "We Speak" on April 2, 2011.
AYS Hosts Visiting Fellows

AYS Visiting Fellow, Mark Anderson will receive his Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Washington this spring with a dissertation titled “Public Policy and Risky Youth Behavior.” He has published research “Does Information Matter? The Effect of the Meth Project on Meth Use among Youths.” (Journal of Health Economics 2009), and has research interests in the intersection of crime and economics. He is visiting the AYS April 18 –29, working with Mary Beth Walker, dean (AYS) and professor (Economics) on research concerning Georgia high school dropouts. He will present a lunchtime seminar titled “In School and Out of Trouble? The Minimum Dropout Age and Juvenile Crime,” on April 20 at 3:00 p.m. in seminar room 749. He will be using office AYS 628 during his stay.

Simon Teasdale is a Research Fellow at the Third Sector Research Centre, University of Birmingham, England, where he works on a range of projects exploring the impact of social enterprise in the UK. His research interests are in the balancing of social and commercial considerations by nonprofits. He has published papers in journals including Social Enterprise Journal, Public Policy and Administration, Voluntary Sector Review and Nonprofit and Public Sector Marketing. He is associate editor of Social Enterprise Journal, and sits on the organizing committee of the International Social Innovation Research Conference. He is visiting the Nonprofit Studies Program between March 29 and May 3, where he is working with Janelle Kerlin, assistant professor (Public Management and Policy), on research comparing nonprofit earned income trends in England and the United States, and exploring the implications for social enterprise. He will be using AYS office 352 during his stay.

Please welcome our visiting fellows.
CONGRATULATIONS!

The AYSPS co-ed softball team finished in second place in GSU’s rec league with a 5-2 record. This season’s players hailed from Economics, PMAP, OAA, Dean's Office, and GHPC. The Charlie Hustle Award goes to team manager Jim Marton, associate professor, (Economics), for pulling together such an outstanding (and fun) field of AYS students, faculty, research associates and staff. Those GSU rec fields saw lot of heart, a few pulled muscles and some amazing AYS hustle in a month of Sundays.

Top: Greg Reihing, Angie Snyder, Seth Kroop, Merlin Hanauer, Jenny Giarratano, Shelly-Ann Williams
Bottom: Julia Manzella, Jim Marton, Andy Balthrop, Zack Hawley, Mo Creech
Not Pictured: Kelly Wilkin, Josh Stephens, Gia Ellis, Shelby Frost

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AYS Personnel Receive Awards

**Paul Ferraro**, associate professor (Economics), has received a Fulbright Scholar award to lecture and conduct research in Costa Rica during the spring semester of 2012. Ferraro will be working at the Centro Agronómico Tropical de Investigación y Enseñanza on an initiative to quantify the mechanisms through which environmental policies aimed at protecting endangered ecosystems affect environmental and economic outcomes.

**Elizabeth Beck**, associate professor (Social Work), has received a Fulbright Scholar award for the West Bank. In fall 2011, Beck will be working with Bethlehem University to help start the first Masters of Social Work program in the West Bank. In addition, Beck will be lecturing on trauma and its healing in Bethlehem University. She will continue a line of research that explores theory and practices designed to support children and youth who grow up in conflict zones, as associated with the literature on peace building.

**H. Spencer Banzhaf**, associate professor (Economics), received the 2011 Georgia State University Outstanding Faculty Achievement Award. The award recognizes a tenure-track faculty member for his or her significant and noteworthy achievement in the areas of scholarship, teaching and service. The award was presented to Banzhaf by President Mark Becker, and Provost Risa Palm at a faculty awards luncheon on April 14th.

**Inta “Maggie” Tolan**, director of academic programs and alumni affairs (Public Management and Policy), was named Georgia State University’s “Advisor of the Year” at the 2011 Royal Flame Awards Ceremony held on April 18th. Tolan was nominated for the award by the Public Management and Policy’s Nonprofit Leadership Alliance and the PMAP Community Network student groups.
Presentations

Roy Bahl, founding dean (AYS) and regents professor (Economics), presented “Distributing Resources Rents” with Geeta Sethi (World Bank) at a workshop on Royalties Reform in Bogota Colombia, March 23, 2011.

Paula Stephan, professor (Economics), was an invited presenter at the conference "The Economics of Science: Where Do We Stand?" at the Observatoire des Sciences et Techniques in Paris, France, April 4-5, 2011.

H. Spencer Banzhaf, associate professor (Economics), presented "Fiscal Federalism: New Results and an Application to US Air Quality" co-authored with Andrew Chupp (National Bureau of Economic Research - NBER) at the spring workshop in public economics, Stanford University, Stanford, CA., April 8, 2011.

Media Hits


Erdal Tekin and co-authors Resul Cesur (pictured), visiting assistant professor (Economics), Joseph J. Sabia (San Diego State University) has their W.J. Usery Workplace Research Group Paper Series working paper # 2011-3-1, “The Psychological Cost of War: Military Combat and Mental Health” cited in “What is the Psychological Cost, in Dollars, of the War on Terror?” by Stephen J. Dubner, on the Freakonomics.com Blog, April 13, 2011. The post can be found at: http://www.freakonomics.com/2011/04/13/what-is-the-psychological-cost-in-dollars-of-the-war-on-terror/.

Activities & Outreach

Paula Stephan, professor (Economics), chaired a session at the workshop, “Measuring the Impacts of Federal Investments in Research, National Academies,” Washington, D.C., April 18-19. Stephan was also a member of the committee that planned the two-day workshop.

Roy Bahl, founding dean (AYS) and regents professor (Economics), was in Mexico and Colombia working on a comparative study of fiscal federalism for the World Bank, March-April, 2011.

New Director for Public Performance and Management

Gregory Streib, professor (Public Management and Policy), was named the new director of Public Performance and Management (PPM) upon the retirement of former director Deon Locklin.
AYS Hosts The 2011 Nonprofit Executive Roundtable Program

The 11th annual Nonprofit Executive Roundtable Program took place at the Andrew Young School on April 15. Under the thematic umbrella – technology – Atlanta’s nonprofit sector leaders were presented information on recent developments, challenges, opportunities and new ideas for engaging technology while pursuing their social missions.

Kathleen Kurre (top left), executive director of TechBridge, and TechBridge co-founder Scott Geller (bottom left) made the opening presentations. Nonprofit Studies Program (NSP) faculty Janelle Kerlin, assistant professor (Public Management and Policy); Teresa Harrison, visiting professor (Public Management and Policy, and with Drexel University); Jesse Lecy, assistant professor (Public Management and Policy); and Bruce Seaman, associate professor (Economics), made presentations. John O’Kane, a senior vice president of Coxe-Curry who serves on the NSP’s faculty and advisory board, offered summary remarks. The program was sponsored by Northern Trust Bank.

Pictured left to right: Kathleen Kurre, Scott Geller, Teresa Harrison, Janelle Kerlin, Jesse Lecy, and Bruce Seaman.
Publication


Georgia Health Policy Center Publishes Health Care Perspectives Document

The final report from the Georgia Health Policy Center’s 15th Anniversary Commemoration Project and Health Reform Symposium, “Health Reform: From Insights to Strategies, A Variety of Perspectives” is now available online at www.gsu.edu/ghpc.

Presentations


Karen Minyard, executive director (Georgia Health Policy Center) and associate research professor (Public Management and Policy) presented, “Health Reform and Ethics” at the Women in Financial Services Atlanta Chapter’s 4th Annual Ethics Seminar, Atlanta, GA, March 11, 2011.

Karen Minyard presented, “Health Reform and Policy Implications for Meaningful Use” at the Georgia Association for Primary Health Care, HRSA Health Information Technology and Meaningful Use Workshop, “Achieving the Promise and Value of EHR,” Atlanta, GA, April 14, 2011.

Beverly Tyler, senior research associate (Georgia Health Policy Center) presented, “Terry Schiavo Six Years Later: Has Anything Changed?” at the Wellstar Health Systems Ethics Seminar, Atlanta, GA, April 20, 2011.

Media Hits

Cathy Yang Liu, assistant professor (Public Management and Policy), was quoted in the article titled, "Georgia in 2050," Atlanta Journal-Constitution, April 3, 2011.

Karen Minyard, executive director (Georgia Health Policy Center) and associate research professor (Public Management and Policy), was a guest on “Health Care - The Good, The Bad, and The...,” a web-based radio show in Atlanta on April 11, 2011. The one-hour segment can be heard online at: http://www.radiosandysprings.com/showpages/healthcare.php.

Karen Minyard was also quoted in the article, “Georgia Faces 2012 Deadline for Exchanges,” in Georgia Health News on April 19, 2011. The article can be viewed online at: http://www.georgiahealthnews.com/2011/04/19/state-faces-2012-deadlines-insurance-exchanges.
Barry Hirsch, professor (Economics) and W.J. Usery Chair of the American Workplace, was interviewed and quoted in an article by Justin Rohrlich, "Economists Weigh in on McDonald's Plan to Hire 50,000 New Employees?" appearing in the Minyanville Daily Feed on April 13, 2011.  

Barry Hirsch, was interviewed and cited in an article by Mark Pitsch, "Labor’s last stand: Unions appear to be on life support as membership dwindles," the first article in a six-part series appearing in the Wisconsin State Journal on April 17, 2011.  

Activities & Outreach

Shelby Frost, clinical associate professor (Economics) and director of the GSU Center for Business and Economic Education, was part of a panel discussion in a session entitled, "Common Sense Economics (CSE) - Economics for Life!" at the Annual Meeting of the Association of Private Enterprise Education in Nassau, Bahamas, on April 11, 2011.  
AYS Recognizes its Distinguished Alumni, Excellence in Teaching, and Staff Excellence at an Awards Reception

Eva Galambos, Christina Lennon and Baoyun Qiao received the 2011 Distinguished Alumni Award from the Andrew Young School of Policy Studies. The new annual award was created to honor outstanding Andrew Young School alumni who exemplify the institution’s standards of excellence. Galambos (Ph.D. in Economics ’69), mayor of Sandy Springs, Ga.; Lennon (M.S. in Urban Policy Studies ’05), director of the Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation; and Qiao (Ph.D. in Economics ’01), a professor and dean of the China Academy of Public Finance and Policy at the Central University of Finance and Economics in Beijing, are the award’s first recipients.

Andrew Hanson, assistant professor of economics, and Janelle Kerlin, assistant professor of public management and policy, received the 2011 Excellence in Teaching Award from the Andrew Young School of Policy Studies. The award celebrates faculty who have exhibited superior teaching as determined by innovation in the classroom, commitment to curriculum development and their service as distinguished advisors through a three-year period.

Mei Zhou (pictured on left), a research associate/data analyst with the Georgia Health Policy Center receiving award from Mary Beth Walker, dean (AYS), is the first to receive the 2011 Staff Excellence Award from the Andrew Young School of Policy Studies. The award was created in 2010 to honor and celebrate the extraordinary efforts, accomplishments and quality of service of an Andrew Young School staff member.

The AYS Awards reception was held on April 25, 2011. For more information on the award recipients, please visit: http://aysps.gsu.edu/6142.html.
Smithsonian Unveils Portrait of Andrew Young

A photorealistic painting of Ambassador Andrew Young was unveiled at the Smithsonian’s National Portrait Gallery on Saturday, April 30, 2011. The painting, “The Struggle of Justice” painted by Ross R. Rossin was donated by Jack H. Watson, Jr., White House Chief of Staff (1980-1981) during Jimmy Carter’s Presidency, and chair of the museum’s commission. An event, “A Conversation with Andrew J. Young,” in conjunction with the commemoration of the portrait was held the same evening in Washington, DC, and is available for viewing online at: http://www.ustream.tv/recorded/14383232. More information about the commemoration can be found at: http://aysps.gsu.edu/6197.html.

Pictured (left to right): Carolyn McClain Young, Jack H. Watson, Jr., Ambassador Andrew Young, Ross. R. Rossin, and Andrea Young.

Pictured (left to right): Alicia Brady, development director (AYS), Ambassador Andrew Young, Mary Beth Walker, dean (AYS), and Paul Rosser, member (AYS Advisory Board).
Presentations

Julie Hotchkiss, adjunct professor (Economics), and research economist and policy advisor (Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta), presented "Women in the Labor Market" at the ‘Candid Conversation with Congressman John Lewis and the Women of the 5th Congressional District,’ held at the Rialto Theater, Atlanta, GA, April 23, 2011.

Pictured (left to right): Beverly Tatum, president of Spelman College; Julie Hotchkiss; Cynthia Pierre, regional director, U.S. Department of Education; Rep. John Lewis, 5th District; Georgia Rep. Stacey Abrams, 84th District; Portia Wu, vice president of the National Partnership.

Roy Bahl, regents professor (Economics) and founding dean (AYS), presented "Constraints and opportunities for intergovernmental fiscal reforms in low income countries" for the World Bank course, Decentralization, Intergovernmental Reforms and Subnational Performance, in Washington, DC, April 27, 2011.

Activities & Outreach

Bill Waugh, professor (Public Management and Policy) attended the spring meeting of the Emergency Management Accreditation Program (EMAP) Commission and also participated in EMAP’s Program Review and Technical Committees meetings in Denver, CO, April 13-15, 2011.
Robert Groves Presents at the 7th Annual W. J. Usery Distinguished Lecture

Dr. Robert Groves (pictured on left), Director of the U.S. Census Bureau and former director of the Survey Research Center at the University of Michigan, presented the Seventh Annual W. J. Usery Distinguished Lecture on Friday, April 15, 2011. Grove’s topic was “What is Quality? Government Statistics and the Larger Social Science World.”

Prior to his lecture, Dr. Groves met informally with faculty and doctoral students in Economics to discuss their research and answer questions. He also attended a luncheon with AYSPS faculty hosted by Barry Hirsch, professor (Economics) and the W.J. Usery Chair of the American Workplace.

The annual W.J. Usery Distinguished Lecture Series, inaugurated in 2005, features leading economists and social scientists addressing issues important to the American workplace. The series honors Bill Usery, Distinguished Executive Fellow in Labor Policy at the Andrew Young School, for his contributions to the well-being of workers and the American workplace during his years of service in government and the private sector.

Video of the lecture can be seen at: http://vimeo.com/24131193.
Publications


Presentations

Barry Hirsch, professor (Economics) and the W.J. Usery Chair of the American Workplace, was one of six economists on a panel at the research forum, ‘Cost of Living and the Supplemental Poverty Measure,’ where he presented "Adjusting poverty thresholds when interarea prices differ: Labor market evidence." The forum, sponsored by the Census Bureau, The Brookings Institution, and the University of Kentucky Center for Poverty Research, was held in Washington, D.C., April 28, 2011.

Karen Minyard, associate research professor (Public Management and Policy) and executive director (Georgia Health Policy Center), spoke on the panel presentation, “Strengthening Your Clinic in a Time of Transformation” at the Georgia Free Clinic Network’s Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA, May 2, 2011.

Paul Ferraro, associate professor (Economics), gave the keynote presentation entitled, "Delivering ecosystem services in the 21st century: The state of the evidence base," at the International Workshop on Policy Mechanisms for Ecosystem Services Delivery at the London School of Economics, co-sponsored with the European Investment Bank and the University of Stirling, May 4, 2011.

Media Hits


Harvey K. Newman, chair and professor (Public Management and Policy), was quoted in an article by Errin Haines, "Census shows fewer young people staying in Georgia." The article has appeared in several papers, including the Republic, Columbus, Indiana, and the Georgia Daily News, May 12, 2011.

Activities & Outreach

Paul Ferraro, associate professor (Economics), was recently named Volunteer of the Year by Winnona Park Elementary, the Decatur City school that his son, Sam, attends. Ferraro was recognized by the school for his service on WP’s first School Leadership Team, helping the school develop a School Improvement Plan, providing the vision for WP’s Pirate Math Club and tutoring.
Bruce Seaman, associate professor (Economics), served as a panelist at the 2011 meeting of the Georgia Assembly of Community Arts Agencies. The panel also included a representative of the Americans for the Arts and focused on the topic, "Evaluating Economic Impact," in Athens, Georgia, May 2, 2011.

New Staff Joins Georgia Health Policy Center

Kristi Fuller joined the Georgia Health Policy Center in March 2011 as a research associate. She brings expertise drawn from working in various aspects of health services such as clinical settings, program and project management, data analysis and policy development. Most recently she worked with the Georgia Board of Regents’ Center for Health Workforce Planning & Analysis, where she researched complex health issues, gathered data and prepared policy and research briefs that analyzed health service issues and offered policy recommendations. Kristi also worked with the Atlanta Regional Commission’s Area Agency on Aging, where she gained in-depth knowledge of Medicare, Medicaid, and services available in the region, and existing service gaps for seniors and persons with disabilities. Kristi has a B.S. in Social Work from the University of Georgia and an M.S.W. from the University of Michigan.

Lillian Haley, Ph.D. joined the GHPC as a research associate this spring. She supports projects addressing issues in the areas of child health policy, substance abuse and long-term care. Prior to joining the center, Lillian was involved in Mental Health and Substance Abuse research and treatment. Her research experience was gained from clinical trials involving smoking cessation within the veteran population and community-based participatory research involving alcohol prevention. Lillian also has clinical experience in providing mental health and substance abuse treatment services to adolescents and their families in community settings. Lillian has a B.A. in Sociology from Yale University, an M.S.W. from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and a Ph.D. in Psychology from North Carolina State University.
Christopher Holliday, Ph.D. is the new CEO of Communities Joined in Action (CJA), a national partnership dedicated to helping communities achieve healthcare access. CJA’s administrative home is with the Georgia Health Policy Center. Dr. Holliday has served as a leader in public health for nearly 20 years in population and clinically-based health at the district and nonprofit levels. His latest position was with DeKalb County’s District Health Office where he oversaw the offices of chronic diseases, infectious diseases, injury prevention, epidemiology and statistics. Dr. Holliday is trained as a community psychologist and behavioral scientist, and his research interests include community-based participatory research, asset-based community development, social justice, and the social determinants of health. Christopher received his B.A., M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in Psychology from Northwestern and Georgia State universities and his Master of Public Health degree from Emory University’s Rollins School of Public Health in Health Policy and Management.
Publications

Paul Ferraro, associate professor (Economics), and Juan Jose Miranda, Ph.D. student (Economics), "Persistence of Treatment Effects with Norm-based Policy Instruments: evidence from a randomized environmental policy experiment," American Economic Review: papers and proceedings, May 2011, with co-author Michael Price (University of Tennessee-Knoxville).


Presentations


Media Hits

Robert Moore, associate dean (AYS) and associate professor (Economics), was quoted in the Atlanta Journal-Constitution article "France is not a particularly strong trading partner with Georgia," on May 26, 2011. The article can be found at: http://www.ajc.com/news/atlanta/french-ambassador-tightens-atlanta-958760.html.


Michael Bell, professor of practice (Public Management and Policy), was quoted in the Atlanta Journal-Constitution on April 3, 2011 in an article titled "Some Say 401(k)s Not the Answer."
Michael Bell was quoted in the Atlanta Journal-Constitution article “Public pension crisis threatens your wallet,” regarding the political pressures at play in relation to modifying the city of Atlanta’s defined benefit pension plans on May 27, 2011. Article can be found at: http://www.ajc.com/news/public-pension-crisis-threatens-886685.html.

Harvey K. Newman, chair and professor (Public Management and Policy), was quoted in the Anniston Star by Laura Camper on May 18, 2011 in an article titled "Anniston Council, Manager Differ Over Personnel Policies." The article can be found at: http://www.annistonstar.com/view/full_story/13307762/article-Anniston-council--manager-differ-over-personnel-policies?

Activities & Outreach

Sally Wallace, chair and professor (Economics), has been appointed to the Governor’s Population Projections Review Panel for 2011-12. The Review Panel is responsible for providing the State of Georgia’s Office of Planning and Budget with consultation regarding projection methodology, inputs, assumptions, and reviewing draft state and county projections. State agencies utilize population projections for such purposes as transportation and water planning, certificate of need, and library funding distribution.

Sally Wallace participated in a panel discussion on the impacts of the recession on state and local governments at the National Tax Association in Washington, DC on May 20, 2011.

Paul Ferraro, associate professor (Economics), was selected as 2010-11 Volunteer of the Year at the City of Decatur’s Winnona Park Elementary School.
Student & Alumni News

Ten students from the Andrew Young School of Policy Studies were selected to participate in this year’s Urban Fellows Program. This is an interdisciplinary initiative of the Center for the Comparative Study of Metropolitan Growth in GSU’s College of Law. Top graduate students are selected from across Georgia State University and Georgia Tech’s School of City and Regional Planning and Emory University’s Law School to study and discuss issues related to urban growth with top decision makers.

Students in the Urban Fellows Program will participate in a monthly breakfast series, brown bag lunches and community outreach projects starting on August 30. Many students also choose to write a research paper of publishable quality for course credit.

The new fellows from the AYS are Lorenzo Almada, Isaac Boring, Jacqueline Bress, Shila Hawk-Tourtelot, Bradley Hill, Brandon Poe, Teresa Taylor and Wen Xie. Lisa Cupid and Kara Cooper Keene are returning fellows.
Congratulations

Roy Bahl, regents professor (Economics) and founding dean (AYS), welcomed a new granddaughter. Hadley Vista Binder was born to parents Ashley and Michael Binder on April 27, 2011 weighing 6 lbs., 11oz.

Paul Kagundu, clinical assistant professor (Economics), and his wife Ann welcomed a healthy baby girl, Klara, on May 6, 2011. Klara weighed 7 lbs., 1oz and 20.5 inches long.

Harvey K. Newman, chair and professor (Public Management and Policy), welcomed a grandson, Jackson Bane Newman to parents Nate and Jacqueline Newman on May 16, 2011. He weighed 5 lbs., 15.6 oz. and was 18 inches long.

Spencer Brien, Ph.D. student (Public Management and Policy) and his wife Bonnie welcomed a son, Declan Rodney Brien, on April 29, 2011. He weighed 7 lbs., 12 oz.

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Undergraduate Policy Interns Complete Research Projects

The participants in the 2011 Summer Policy Internship have successfully completed this summer’s program. Their research projects covered a wide range of topics including fiscal decentralization, the impact of Medicaid managed care on health outcomes, the nonprofit “starvation” cycle, and the growth of small businesses in Georgia. The program has run for more than ten years.

While at the AYSPS, the interns performed research with faculty mentors, attended seminars and mixers, and visited policy institutions in Atlanta. The program culminated in their final research presentations that were held July 13 and 14. In the past, many of the interns have continued their education in leading graduate programs.

Standing from (left): Perri Smith, Stephen Mayfield, Jim Marton, associate professor (Economics) and director of program, Kendon Darlington, Michael Andrade, and Rosairo Plascencia.

Seated from (left): Rachael Del Valle, Kara Wiltrout, Cassie Elder, Julia Namgoong, and Salah Giddens.
Publications


Presentations

James Marton, associate professor (Economics), presented a poster by Pat Ketsche, (J. Mack Robinson College of Business) and Marton titled “The Financial Drain of Participating in Trauma Care: How are States Responding?” at the AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting, Seattle, WA, June 13, 2011.


Sally Wallace, chair and professor (Economics), presented “Fiscal Policy Goals and Analysis” at the IMF Institute, Washington, DC, June 15, 2011.

GHPC Presenters Sweep an AcademyHealth Meeting in Seattle

Georgia Health Policy Center staff made a series of poster presentations at the AcademyHealth State Health Research and Policy Interest Group Meeting in Seattle, WA, from June 11-13, 2011. All presentations are available online at www.gsu.edu/ghpc.

Karen Minyard, executive director (Georgia Health Policy Center) and Associate Research Professor (Public Management and Policy), presented “Identifying Technical and Adaptive Challenges of the ACA for State and Local Stakeholders,” June 11, 2011.

Karen Minyard presented a poster by E. Kathleen Adams (Emory University), Pat Ketsche (J. Mack Robinson College of Business) and Viji Kannan (University of Rochester Medical Center) and Minyard titled " Who Really Pays for Medicaid: Re-Measuring State and Federal Tax Burdens,” June 12, 2011.


Chris Parker, senior research associate, presented “Health Reform: Does Translating the Act, Refine the Reaction,” June 13, 2011.

Holly Avey (pictured), senior research associate, presented a poster by Naima Wong, research associate II, Jane Branscomb, Beth Fuller, research associate, Karen Cheung, Ph.D. student (Public Management and Policy), and Karen Minyard, titled “Federal Agency Operationalization of Health in All Policies: Exploring Large Scale Redevelopment as a Case Study,” June 13, 2011.
Angie Snyder (pictured), senior research associate, presented a poster by Natalie Towns, research associate II, Christina Scherrer (Southern Polytechnic State University), Paul Griffin (Pennsylvania State University) and Snyder titled “Using Systems Science Tools to Inform a Geographic Needs Assessment,” June 13, 2011.

Natalie Towns (pictured), research associate II and Mei Zhou, research associate and data analyst, presented a poster by Glenn M. Landers, senior research associate, “State Level, Mixed Methods Evaluation of Money Follows the Person,” June 13, 2011.

Karen Minyard presented “Health Care Reform and Implementation” at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s Disability and Health Partners Meeting, Chicago, IL, June 15, 2011.

Naima Wong, research associate II (Georgia Health Policy Center), presented “Youth Voice, Participation and Empowerment for Violence Prevention” on a panel at the American Psychological Association Division 27: The Society for Community Research and Action 13th Biennial Conference, Chicago, IL, June 18, 2011

Awards and Grants

Bill Waugh (pictured in white shirt), professor (Public Management and Policy) received the Blanchard Award for his contributions to the emergency management higher education community at the 14th Annual FEMA Emergency Management Higher Education Conference at the National Emergency Training Center, Emmitsburg, MD, June 6-9, 2011.

Sally Wallace, chair and professor (Economics), and alumna Robynn Cox (pictured), (Ph.D. in Economics ’09 and now an assistant professor at Spelman College), have been awarded a grant by the Kentucky Poverty Institute/USDA for their work on the implications of incarceration on food security of children in the U.S.
Media Hits

Harvey Newman, chair and professor (Public Management and Policy), was quoted in the article, "Watching your tax dollars: Unpaid days less than ideal," in the Atlanta Journal-Constitution on June 28, 2011.


Fiscal Research Center Report can be found at: http://aysps.gsu.edu/images/Rpt_235FIN.pdf.

News articles can be found at:


Activities & Outreach


Bill Waugh was the lead course developer for a FEMA Emergency Management Institute course on "The Principles of Emergency Management" used by institutions around the U.S. and Canada. The co-authors were David McEntire (University of North Texas) and Lucien Canton (former FEMA official).

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Dean, Mary Beth Walker Travels to Indonesia and China

I had a wonderful and productive trip to Indonesia and China in May and June. In Indonesia, President Mark Becker, Provost Risa Palm and I celebrated the sendoff of the first class of Indonesian Master’s students. This strong program was developed by the International Studies Program (ISP) in conjunction with our alumna Arti Adji (Ph.D. Economics ’06) at the University of Gadjah Mada and is funded by USAID. It was great to “show-off” the successful AYS alums, most of whom came to us in our previous Masters’ program, who are placed in universities in Indonesia.

From there it was on to China, where Cathy Liu, assistant professor (Public Management and Policy), Huiping Du, research associate (Fiscal Research Center), and I visited some of our former visiting scholars and talked about joint programs and projects with their universities. Cathy was a great hit with the Chinese universities we visited; I am convinced that several tried to hire her away from us right under my nose! A highlight of this trip was a dinner given by AYS alum, Baoyun Qiao (Ph.D. Economics ’01), and now Dean of the Economics and Finance department at Central University in Beijing. Of the 18 people sitting around our table, 10 were my former students! I had to pretend the food was too spicy for me to hide the fact that I kept tearing up at the nice things they said.

We have lots of follow up to do with these universities; expect to hear further from the Dean’s Office and ISP as we work to establish training projects and exchanges with some key universities in this part of the world.
**Mary Beth Walker**, gave a lecture at Renming University as part of the Mundell - Huang Da Prize Economics Seminar Series. The series is named after a very famous Chinese economist Huang Da and the Nobel Prize winner in economics Robert A. Mundell. Pictured below (left to right): Huiping Du, Cathy Liu, Mary Beth Walker and Qingwang Guo, Dean at Renmin University.

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**Article Receives Award**

The article, “The Effects of a Program-Based Housing Move on Employment: HOPE VI in Atlanta,” published in the *Southern Economic Journal*, was awarded the 2011 Georgescu-Roegen Prize for the best article published in the *Southern Economic Journal* in the previous year. The article was co-authored by David L. Sjoquist, (pictured) professor (Economics), director (Fiscal Research Center and Domestic Programs), and the Dan E. Sweat Distinguished Chair in Educational and Community Policy, alumnus Bulent Anil (Ph.D. in Economics ’07, and faculty member at the University of Minnesota-Duluth) and Sally Wallace, chair and professor (Economics).
Publications

**James C. Cox**, professor (Economics), director (Experimental Economics Center), and the Noah Langdale Jr. Chair in Economics/Georgia Research Alliance Eminent Scholar, “Arms or Legs: Isomorphic Dutch Auctions and Centipede Games,” coauthored with Duncan James (Fordham University), *Econometrica*, forthcoming.


**Paul Ferraro**, M. Price (University of Tennessee), M. Castillo (George Mason), J. Jordan (UGA), and Ragan Petrie (George Mason), “The today and tomorrow of kids: time preferences and educational outcomes of children” in the *Journal of Public Economics*, forthcoming.


**Paul Ferraro** has an invited forthcoming article in the 25th Anniversary Issue of *Conservation Biology* entitled “Theory and evidence to design payments for environmental services in the 21st Century.”


Presentations

Harvey K. Newman, chair and professor (Public Management and Policy), made a presentation on the “History and Economic Development of the Atlanta Area” to a class of students from Mercer University, July 7, 2011.
Roy Bahl, Regents Professor (Economics) and founding dean (AYS) presented, “The Decentralization of Governance and Expenditure Assignment in Metropolitan Areas” at an international conference on Metropolitan Financing held at the Brookings Institution in Washington, D.C., on July 11-12, 2011. He also served as co-chair of the conference and will be co-editor of the resulting published volume.

Paul Ferraro, professor (Economics), gave a short course entitled "Impact Evaluation" to graduate students and faculty in the Latin American and Caribbean Environmental Economics Program at Centro Agronómico Tropical de Investigación y Enseñanza (CATIE), Turrialba, Costa Rica, July 17-21, 2011.

James C. Cox, professor (Economics), director (Experimental Economics Center), and the Noah Langdale Jr. Chair in Economics/Georgia Research Alliance Eminent Scholar, presented “Paradoxes and Mechanisms for Choice under Risk,” coauthored with Vjollca Sadiraj (pictured), assistant professor (Economics) and Ullrich Schmidt (University of Kiel), at the Paris workshop on Decision: Theory, Experiments and Applications held at École des Hautes Études Commerciales de Paris, June 28 – 30, 2011. He also presented the paper at the International Meeting of the Economic Science Association, July 7-10, in Chicago.

Amanda Phillips Martinez, (pictured) senior research associate, and Tanisa Adimu, research associate II (Georgia Health Policy Center), conducted a workshop: “Planning for Sustainability: A Step by Step Guide,” at the HRSA Rural Health Policy Annual Grantee Meeting in Bethesda, MD, on June 29, 2011.

Stacey Willocks, (pictured) senior research associate, and Beverly Tyler, associate project director (Georgia Health Policy Center), conducted the workshop “Strategic Planning for Workforce and Network Development” at the HRSA Rural Health Policy Annual Grantee Meeting in Bethesda, MD, on June 29, 2011.
Shelby Frost, clinical associate professor (Economics) and director (GSU Center for Business and Economic Education), presented “When Classtime Runs Out: Creating Online Lectures” at The Institute for Humane Studies’ “ Liberty and the Art of Teaching Workshop” sponsored by the Institute of Humane Studies in Fairfax, VA, July 15-17, 2011.

Holly Avey, associate project director (Georgia Health Policy Center), assisted facilitator Candace Rutt (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) in conducting Health Impact Assessment training for staff from the EPA, DOT, HRSA, Georgia Tech, and GSU. GHPC completed a Health Impact Assessment of the zoning blueprint for the Fort McPherson redevelopment in 2010. This was used as a case study during the training held June 27-28, 2011, in Atlanta, GA.

Deana Farmer, research associate II (Georgia Health Policy Center), presented “Diving into the World of Social Media” at the HRSA Rural Health Policy Annual Grantee Meeting in Bethesda, MD, on June 28, 2011.

Media Hits


Michael J. Bell, professor of practice (Public Management and Policy), was quoted in the Atlanta Journal & Constitution on July 15, 2011 in an article dealing with the impacts of DeKalb County's recent 4+ mill property tax increase. Article can be found at: http://www.ajc.com/news/dekalb/how-dekalb-wound-up-1016946.html.
Michael J. Bell was interviewed by WSBTV regarding how different elected officials could calculate substantially different tax increase impacts relative to the same millage increase within the same jurisdiction. The interview ran on July 7, 2011.

Karen Minyard, executive director (Georgia Health Policy Center) and research associate professor (Public Management and Policy), was quoted in the Georgia Health News article, “State Exchange Panel Considering Options,” on July 12, 2011. Article can be found at: http://www.georgiahealthnews.com/2011/07/12/state-exchange-panel-options.

Holly Avey, associate project director (Georgia Health Policy Center), was quoted in the Institute of Medicine report, “For the Public's Health: Revitalizing Law and Policy to Meet New Challenges.” She describes the GHPC’s work in using a Health in All Policies approach in the redevelopment of Fort McPherson. Report can be found at: http://www.nap.edu/openbook.php?record_id=13093&page=1.

Activities and Outreach

Erdal Tekin, associate professor (Economics), co-organized the 3rd Annual meeting on the Economics of Risky Behaviors (AMERB) in April of this year. The annual meeting was co-founded by Amelie F. Constant (DIWDC, George Washington University, and IZA) and by Erdal Tekin. The conference alternatives sites between the US and Europe, with the 2011 conference held in the IZA in Bonn, Germany. For an overview and summary of the conference, please visit: http://aysps.gsu.edu/files/risky-behaviors-newsletter.pdf.

Paul Ferraro, professor (Economics), was selected as Senior Editorial Board Member for the journal Environmental Evidence, a new BioMed Central journal launching this year that will focus on systematic reviews of the evidence base in environmental policy and management.
Shelby Frost, clinical associate professor (Economics) and Director (GSU Center for Business and Economic Education), was part of a panel discussion session titled “You have your institutional writing requirement- Now what? Creating experiential writing assignment templates to encourage a move beyond the traditional research paper” at the 2011 meeting of The European Association for the Teaching of Academic Writing. The conference was held June 29-July 1 in Limerick, Ireland.

http://www.ul.ie/rwc/eataw2011/index

Paula Stephan, professor (Economics), was the keynote speaker at the Japan-US Workshop on Knowledge Production Process in Science, at the Ministry of Education, Science and Culture. The title of her speech was “How Economics Shapes Science.” The conference was June 23, 2011, in Tokyo.

Student and Alumni

Omer F. Baris, Ph.D. student (Economics) presented "Minimizing the Aggregate Proportionate Loss and the Bargaining Solution" at the Central European Program in Economic Theory (CEPET) Summer Workshop 2011, Udine, Italy, June 1-3, 2011, he also presented it at the 10th Anniversary of the Journées Louis-André Gérard-Varet Conference in Public Economics, Marseille, France, June 20-22, 2011.
Grants

Leah Daigle, assistant professor (Criminal Justice), Mark Reed associate professor (Criminal Justice), and Volkan Topalli (pictured), associate professor (Criminal Justice), received a $98,649 grant from the Governor's Criminal Justice Coordinating Council to conduct a one year statewide study of victim satisfaction and experiences with the Georgia Victims Compensation program. The grant is being administered through GSU's Crime & Violence Prevention Policy Initiative.

Publications

Karen Minyard, executive director (Georgia Health Policy Center), research associate professor (Public Management and Policy), was referenced in the journal article “Making Sense of the Data Explosion, The Promise of Systems Science,” American Journal of Preventive Medicine, 2011;40(52):S159–161.


Rusty Tchernis, with Daniel Millimet (Southern Methodist University) and Manan Roy (Southern Methodist University). “Federal Nutrition Programs and Childhood Obesity: Inside the Black Box,” Review of Economics of the Household, forthcoming.

Presentations

Karen Minyard, executive director (Georgia Health Policy Center) and research associate professor (Public Management and Policy), served as the keynote speaker at Emory University’s Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing diploma ceremony on May 9, 2011.

Karen Minyard, presented “Leading through Health Reform” at the National Networks of Public Health Institutes’ Annual Meeting on May 17, 2011 in New Orleans, LA.
Seong Soo Oh, alum (Ph.D. Public Policy ’09), and Gregory B. Lewis (pictured), professor (Public Management and Policy) presented “Evaluation Bias or Reward Bias? Performance Appraisals and Gender/Racial Disparities in Federal Career Success” at the 11th Public Management Research Conference at Syracuse University, New York, June 2-4, 2011.

Elizabeth Fuller, research associate II (Georgia Health Policy Center), presented “Fort McPherson Interim Zoning Health Impact Assessment” at a breakout session during the National Networks of Public Health Institutes’ Annual Meeting on May 17, 2011 in New Orleans, LA.

Robbie Friedmann, director (Georgia International Law Enforcement Exchange) and professor emeritus (Criminal Justice), was the keynote speaker at the International Association of Women Judges regional conference in Budapest, Hungary, April 14, 2011. More information on the organization can be found at: http://www.iawj.org/.

Robbie Friedmann, was the keynote speaker at the Law Enforcement Appreciation Day, sponsored by the Greater Atlanta Chapter of ASIS International, held at the Atlanta Hilton, May 18, 2011. More information on the event can be found at: http://www.asisatlanta.org/id31.html.

Jan Ligon, associate professor (School of Social Work) was the keynote speaker for the World Social Work Day event hosted by the Northern Ireland Association of Social Workers (NIASW) in Belfast, Ireland, March 14, 2011.

Jan Ligon (2nd from left), speaker Carolyn Ewart (l), NIASW Manager; Lesley McDowell (3rd from left), NIASW Chair; and Hilton Dawson (far right), Chief Executive, British Association of Social Workers.

Media Hits

Karen Minyard, executive director (Georgia Health Policy Center) and research associate professor (Public Management and Policy), and William Custer (J. Mack Robinson College of Business) were featured in the Georgia Trend article, "Health Insurance: An In-Between Time," June 2011. Article can be found at: http://www.georgiatrend.com/features-business-industry/06_11_insurance.shtml.

Paula Stephan, professor (Economics), was quoted in the cover article of Nature entitled "The PhD Factory," April 21, 2011.

Paula Stephan, was quoted in the U.S.A. Today in an article concerning the production of Ph.D.'s in science, April 22, 2011.

Harvey Newman, chair and professor (Public Management and Policy), was quoted in an Associated Press article, "Atlanta mayor juggles national profile, local aims," on May 28, 2011.

Activities & Outreach

Bill Waugh, professor (Public Management and Policy) was an invited participant in the National Weather Service's "Atlanta Integrated Warning Team" Workshop at the Georgia Tech Research Institute, Atlanta, GA, June 1-2, 2011.
Michael J. Bell, professor of practice (Public Management and Policy), was appointed to the board of the Development Authority of Fulton County by the Fulton County Commission at its meeting on June 1, 2011.

Michael J. Bell, acted as moderator on the Debt Policies panel at the annual meeting of the GFOA (Government Finance Officers of North America) in San Antonio on May 25, 2011.
Publications


Media Hits

**Michael J. Bell**, professor of practice (Public Management and Policy), was interviewed live on *FOX5 WAGA* on August 1, 2011 regarding the possible impacts of the proposed federal debt-ceiling deal on the AAA credit rating of the federal government.

Paul Ferraro, professor (Economics), was interviewed by Eric Marx of *Ethical Corporation Magazine* (September 2011 issue) for an article on the new $27 million Latin American Water Funds Partnership that pledges to protect 7 million acres of watersheds in Ecuador, Colombia, Peru, Brazil, Mexico and other countries.


**Congratulations**

Elsa Gebremedhin, business manager (Public Management and Policy), recently passed the Certified Research Administrator's (CRA) exam. The CRA is a national certification, and the title/designation of a CRA is given to those that have met the eligibility requirements to be a professional research or sponsored programs administrator. The certification is administered by the Research Administrator's Certification Council (RACC), and every 5 years, recertification is required in order to continue using the CRA designation. The CRA designation is now becoming as prominent as a certification in public accounting (CPA) or managerial accounting (CMA). Active CRAs are listed on the RACC website [http://cra-cert.org/certified/](http://cra-cert.org/certified/).
The GHPC presented the Northwest Georgia Healthcare Partnership in Dalton, Ga., a $5,000 gift from the Claudia Lacson Memorial Fund (http://aysps.gsu.edu/ghpc/ghpc-clmf.html). This donation was given to honor Lacson’s legacy of work with the Promotoras de Salud (Community Health Workers) program, which brings the underserved and uninsured (both Latinos and non-Latinos) into care and increases their education on health issues.

As part of the donation, the GHPC provided a strategic health reform consultation for the partnership that included background research, an on-site strategic meeting and report. Tamanna Patel (left), research associate II, Rachel Campos (center), research associate I, and Karen Minyard (right), executive director (Georgia Health Policy Center) and research associate professor (Public Management and Policy), performed the background research and presented the findings to the board of directors and staff on July 21, 2011.
Public Performance and Management Group & Georgia’s State Personnel Administration Project Win National Award

The Great State to Serve Initiative – a State of Georgia employee program launched by the Georgia State Personnel Administration (SPA) with research partner the Public Performance and Management Group - was honored by the National Association of State Personnel Executives at its 2011 Annual Meeting on July 19, 2011, in New Orleans. The program received the Eugene H. Rooney, Jr. Award, which recognizes “state human resource management practices that ensure access and equity while enhancing productivity and service delivery.” The program has been renewed for a third year with PPM continuing to serve as SPA’s research partner.

Publications

An article by Patricia Ketsche (J. Mack Robinson College of Business), Kathleen Adams (Emory University), Sally Wallace, (pictured) chair and professor (Economics), Viji Kannan (Emory University), and alum Harini Kannan (Ph.D. in Economics ’09), "Lower Income Families Pay A Higher Share Of Income Toward National Health Care Spending Than Higher Income Families Do,” Health Affairs, forthcoming. The research was partially funded by a grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.


Joshua C. Hinkle, assistant professor (Criminal Justice), David Weisburd (Hebrew University & George Mason University), Christine Famega (California State University, San Bernardino) and Justin Ready (Arizona State University) ‘The Possible ‘Backfire’ Effects of Broken Windows Policing at Crime Hot Spots: An Experimental Assessment of Impacts on Legitimacy, Fear and Collective Efficacy,” Journal of Experimental Criminology, forthcoming.


Timothy Brezina, associate professor (Criminal Justice) and Robert Agnew. (Emory University). (2011). Juvenile Delinquency: Causes and Control, 14th Edition. Oxford University Press. Information can be found at:
http://www.oup.com/us/catalog/general/subject/CriminologyCriminalJustice/~/dmlIdz11c2EmY2k9OTc4MDE5OTqyODE0Mg==#.


Bruce Kaufman, professor (Economics) Hired Hands or Human Resources? Case Studies of HRM Programs and Practices in Early American Industry” (Cornell University Press, 2010) selected by Princeton University as one of sixteen chosen for the annual list of “best books” in labor economics and industrial relations (2010).


Presentations

Vjolca Sadiraj, assistant professor (Economics) presented “A Theory of Dictators’ Revealed preferences” at the International Meeting of the Economics Science Association, in Chicago, IL, July 7-10, 2011.

Erdal Tekin (pictured), associate professor (Economics), presented “The Psychological Costs of War: Military Combat and Mental Health,” with alum Resul Cesur (Ph.D. in Economics ’09 and now a faculty member at the University of Connecticut) and Joseph Sabia (San Diego State University) at the Meetings of the European Society for Population Economics, in Hangzhou, China, June 2011.

Wendy Guastaferro (pictured), assistant professor (Criminal Justice), Leah Daigle assistant professor (Criminal Justice), and Andy Cummings (Executive Director of the DeKalb County Superior Court Drug Court Program) presented, “Using Proactive Supervision and Graduated Sanctions in an Adult Drug Court,” at the National Association of Drug Court Professionals (NADCP) 17th Annual Drug Court Training Conference, Washington, D.C., July 22, 2011.


Holly Avey, associate project director (Georgia Health Policy Center), presented “Health in All Policies Approaches to Tobacco Prevention and Control” at the Leading the South to Healthier Communities: Deep South Tobacco Prevention & Control Policy Institute, New Orleans, LA, August 3-5, 2011.

Liz Imperiale, (pictured) communications and marketing manager (Georgia Health Policy Center), presented a poster co-authored by Mary Ann Phillips, associate project director (Georgia Health Policy Center), titled “Talking about Health Reform: Communication through Commemoration, Consultation, and Collaboration” at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s National Conference on Health Communication, Marketing, and Media, Atlanta, GA, August 10, 2011.
Paula Stephan, professor (Economics), was one of four plenary speakers at the Economics of Innovation and Patenting Conference, Centre for European Economic Research, where she presented, “The Economics of Science: Some Unanswered Questions,” Mannheim, Germany, May 19-20, 2011.

Paula Stephan, presented “Twins or Strangers: Differences and Similarities between Academic and Industrial Science” at the Collegio Carlo Alberto, Moncalieri, Italy, May 12, 2011.


Bruce Kaufman, professor (Economics) presented “Comparative Analysis of HRM Systems Across Nations” at the Academy of Management annual meetings, San Antonio, TX, August 14, 2011.

Media Hits

Michael J. Bell, professor of practice (Public Management and Policy), was quoted in the August 8, 2011 edition of USA Today related to possible impacts on local government credit ratings resulting from Standard & Poor's downgrade of U.S. federal debt.


Mark Rider, associate professor (Economics), FRC Report “Can Georgia Adopt A General Consumption Tax?” was published in the July 25, 2011 issue of State Tax Notes.

Barry Hirsch, professor (Economics) and the W.J. Usery Chair of the American Workplace was interviewed and quoted in the article “Why all the local union activity?” by Tara Bozick in the Danville Register & Bee, August 6, 2011. Article can be found at: http://www2.godanriver.com/news/2011/aug/06/why-all-local-union-activity-ar-1221181/.
Barry Hirsch, was interviewed and quoted extensively in an article by Renee Haltom, “Organizing in decline: Tracing the (diminishing) role of unions in today’s labor market,” in Region Focus, 2011:2, pp. 28-31 from the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond. The interview can be found at: http://www.richmondfed.org/publications/research/region_focus/2011/q2/pdf/feature4.pdf


Activities and Outreach

Roy Bahl, regents professor (Economics) and founding dean (AYS), did a series of lectures in Public Economics at the University of Pretoria in South Africa during the week of July 25, 2011. Bahl holds the title of Professor Extraordinarius in the Economics Department at the University of Pretoria.

Glenwood Ross, clinical associate professor (Economics) was recently appointed to the board of directors for Pathways Community Network. Pathways is a nonprofit that works to support communities with a variety of tools that help human service providers work together and reduce costs, and is particularly active in the homeless community. Communities in seven states use the PATHWAYS COMPASS Community Information Sharing System to coordinate care for 160,000 homeless and at risk individuals per year, recording 25,000 individual service transactions each week.

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AYSPS “Subgame Perfect” Softball Team Summer 2011
Final Record: 5-4-1

Economics Faculty Participants: Jim Marton, Andrew Hanson

Economics Graduate Student Participants: Zack Hawley, Merlin Hanauer, Kelly Wilkin, Gustavo Canavire-Bacarreza (not pictured), Andrew Balthrop (not pictured), Lorenzo Almada (not pictured).

PMAP Graduate Student Participants: Greg Reihing, Seth Kroop

TEAM BATTING CHAMPION: KELLY WILKIN (.622 batting average)
New Director for the Andrew Young School’s Fiscal Research Center

The Andrew Young School of Policy Studies is happy to announce that Sally Wallace (pictured), chair and professor (Economics), has assumed the directorship of the Fiscal Research Center (FRC) beginning September 1, 2011. Carolyn Bourdeaux, associate professor (Public Management and Policy), will continue in her position as associate director of the FRC. We can continue to expect great work from the FRC, with its objective analysis of state and local tax policy.

We are all sorry to see David L. Sjoquist, professor (Economics) and the Dan E. Sweat Distinguished Chair in Educational and Community Policy, step down from the FRC after his 14 years as its creator and director; he has tried to resign from this position about three times since 2008. He has stated that he intends to have this resignation stick!

Publications


Presentations

**Shif Gurmu**, professor (Economics), presented “Flexible Bivariate Count Data Regression Models,” co-authored with John Elder (Colorado State University), at the 2011 Joint Statistical Meetings, Miami Beach, August 1-4, 2011.

**Fred Brooks**, associate professor (Social Work), presented “Lessons Learned from the Decline and Fall of the Community Organization ACORN” at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association in Las Vegas, August 20, 2011.


Estian Calitz (University of Stellenbosch), presented “The Impact of Tax Incentives to Stimulate Investment in South Africa” co-authored with **Sally Wallace**, chair and professor (Economics), at the Economic Society of South Africa Conference, at the University of Stellenbosch, South Africa, September 5, 2011.

Media Hits

**Michael J. Bell**, professor of practice (Public Management and Policy), appeared on CNN(Espanol) on July 26,2011 to respond to questions regarding Moody's report on the possible impacts to specific states if the federal credit rating of Aaa was downgraded to Aa by Moody's Investors Service.
The Wall Street Journal reported that new research by Janet Currie (Princeton) and Erdal Tekin, associate professor (Economics), shows a direct correlation between foreclosure rates and the health of residents in Arizona, California, Florida and New Jersey. The economists concluded in a paper published this month by the National Bureau of Economic Research that an increase of 100 foreclosures corresponded to a 7.2% rise in emergency room visits and hospitalizations for hypertension and an 8.1% increase for diabetes among people aged 20 to 49. The article can be found at: http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424053111904199404576538293771870006.html#articleTabs%3Darticle

Alumni News

Alumnus Gregory A. Adams (B.S. 1981), a Superior Court judge in the Stone Mountain Judicial Circuit, was sworn in as one of the newest members of the Georgia Commission on Dispute Resolution on September 1, 2011. Judge Adams was elected to the Superior Court bench in 2004 and previously served as a Juvenile Court Judge in DeKalb County. The commission is the policy-making body appointed by the Supreme Court of Georgia to oversee the development of court-connected alternative dispute resolution programs in Georgia.

Alumna M. Kathleen Thomas (Ph.D. in Economics, ’00) reported to the AYS that after two years of hard work, she has received a Spencer Foundation grant. An associate professor of economics at Mississippi State University, Thomas will spend the next two years examining the impact of high school arts education on achievement.
Awards & Honors

**Bill Waugh**, professor (Public Management and Policy), emergency management expert, author and founding member of the American Society for Public Administration’s Section on Emergency and Crisis Management, was named the 2011 winner of the University of North Dakota Outstanding Scholar Award at the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Higher Education Conference at Emmitsburg, MD, in June.

Publications

**J. Todd Swarthout**, research assistant professor (Economics), "Learning about Learning in Games through Experimental Control of Strategic Interdependence," with Jason Shachat (Xiamen University), *Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control*, forthcoming.

**David Sjoquist** professor (Economics), and the Dan E. Sweat Distinguished Chair in Educational and Community Policy, and **Tamoya Christie**, alum (Ph.D. Economics ’11) and former research associate (Fiscal Research Center), “New Business Survival in Georgia: Exploring the Determinants of Survival Using Regional Level Data,” *Growth and Change*, forthcoming

Presentations

**Karen Minyard**, executive director (Georgia Health Policy Center) and associate research professor (Public Management and Policy), presented “Social Determinants of Health Equity and Levels of Potential Impact in the System: Opportunities for Leverage” at the Georgia Grantmakers Alliance, Macon, GA, August 25, 2011.

**Karen Minyard**, presented “Leading through Health Reform” to the South Atlanta Association of Health Underwriters, Atlanta, GA, September 15, 2011.
**Holly Avey**, associate project director (Georgia Health Policy Center), presented “Increasing National Capacity for Health Impact Assessments: Utilizing the Nation’s Public Health Institutes,” in the National Network of Public Health Institute Webinar on August 30, 2011.

**Angie Snyder**, associate project director (Georgia Health Policy Center), presented “Executive and Legislative Approaches to Inform State Policymaking in Children’s Health: Lessons from Georgia” at the National Association of Welfare Research Statistics on September 13, 2011 in Vail, CO. This panel presentation, *Leveraging University Research for Child and Family Policy Impact*, was in partnership with the child and family centers from Duke University, University of Pittsburg, and the University of Chicago.

**James C. Cox**, professor (Economics), director (Experimental Economics Center) and the Noah Langdale Jr. Chair in Economics/Georgia Research Alliance Eminent Scholar, presented “Paradoxes and Mechanisms for Choice under Risk” co-authored with **Vjollca Sadiraj**, assistant professor (Economics) and Ulrich Schmidt (University of Kiel) at the Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA, September 2, 2011.

**Media Hits**

**Chris Parker**, associate project director (Georgia Health Policy Center), was quoted in *The Augusta Chronicle* article “Providers discuss Augusta health care needs,” September 8, 2011. The article is available online at: [http://chronicle.augusta.com/latest-news/2011-09-08/providers-discuss-augusta-health-care-needs](http://chronicle.augusta.com/latest-news/2011-09-08/providers-discuss-augusta-health-care-needs).

Erdal Tekin’s, associate professor (Economics) new study, “Is the Foreclosure Crisis Making Us Sick?” co-authored with Janet Currie (Princeton University) was profiled by the Wall Street Journal on August 31, 2011. The article is available online at: http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424053111904199404576538293771870006.html#printMode

Pat Ketsche, associate professor (Institute of Health Administration, Robinson College of Business) and affiliate faculty member (Georgia Health Policy Center), was quoted in the New York Times and other media outlets for her presentation at the Health Affairs press briefing “Confronting Costs” in Washington, D.C., on September 8, 2011. Ketsche is the lead author on the paper “Lower-Income Families Pay a Higher Share of Income Toward National Health Care Spending Than Higher-Income Families Do” published in Health Affairs in September 2011. E. Kathleen Adams (Emory University), Sally Wallace (pictured) chair and professor (Economics) and director (Domestic Programs and Fiscal Research Center), Viji Diane Kannan (University of Rochester), and Harini Kannan, alum (Ph.D. Economics ’09 and now with Jameel Poverty Action Lab), are co-authors.

Bill Waugh, professor (Public Management and Policy), was interviewed by a reporter from the Washington Post on August 29, 2011, on the funding of FEMA’s programs during the Hurricane Irene response on the East Coast.

Bill Waugh, was interviewed by a reporter from the Los Angeles bureau of the Yomiuri Shimbun, Japan’s largest national newspaper, on August 31, 2011, on FEMA’s current capabilities to respond to catastrophic disasters. The contact was at the request of the newspaper’s Tokyo office.

Karen Minyard, executive director (Georgia Health Policy Center) and associate research professor (Public Management and Policy), was a guest on “Elder Law Radio” on WBLJ 1230 News Talk Radio in Dalton, GA on August 31, 2011. Listen to the show online at: www.gsu.edu/ghpc.
Activities and Outreach

Shelby Frost, clinical associate professor (Economics) and director (GSU Center for Business and Economic Education - GCEE), attended the annual GCEE Center Director’s Retreat in Pine Mountain, GA, on September 3-4, 2011. At the retreat, the GCEE was credited for the delivery of 49 workshops for a total of 6,872 contact hours during the calendar year 2010. Georgia ranked number 1 in the country for total contact hours, and number 2 for the number of training programs delivered. The high school economics end of course test pass rates are again on the rise; research shows that GCEE workshops have a positive and significant effect on those pass rates.

Shelby Frost participated in GSU’s Family Day on Saturday, September 10th. Frost gave a lecture to students and their families on opportunity costs.

Robert Friedman, professor (Criminal Justice) and director (Georgia International Law Enforcement Exchange), was an invited speaker at the World Summit on Counter Terrorism, the International Institute for Counter Terrorism’s 11th Annual Conference, Herzliya, Israel, on September 11-14, 2011.

Felix Rioja (pictured below in center), associate professor (Economics), gave a presentation about the Andrew Young School of Policy Studies’ graduate programs to interested students at the Centro-Bolivian Americano in Cochabamba, Bolivia, in July. More than 90 students attended!
Georgia Health Policy Center Welcomes New Staff

Elizabeth “Beth” Fuller, Ph.D., joined the Georgia Health Policy Center as a research associate II after serving as Director of the Tennessee Institute of Public Health. Beth currently manages several projects, provides research support for Health Insurance Exchange Planning for the Georgia Governor’s Office and participates in center-directed work, which includes Health Impact Assessments (HIAs) and support of Health in All Policies (HiAP). Fuller completed her doctorate in public health from Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University, where she received training in evaluation, research study design and qualitative and quantitative methodology. Prior to attaining her doctorate, she studied political science at Emory University (B.A), worked as a legislative aide on Capitol Hill and received a Masters in Public Health (MSPH) from the University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Brittney Romanson joined the Georgia Health Policy Center in May as a Research Associate I. She brings expertise in project coordination, secondary research, and proposal writing from working in various aspects of health care ranging from clinics settings, federal agencies and nonprofits. Most recently, she worked for the CDC’s Division of Youth Violence. Brittney attended Emory University where she studied Behavioral Sciences and Health Education and received a Master of Public Health. She has a Bachelor of Arts in Human Services with a Health Professions concentration and a minor in Chemistry from Elon University.

Deana Farmer joined the Georgia Health Policy Center's Community Health Systems Development Team in April of 2011 as a research associate II. Deana has more than twenty years’ experience in hospitals, community collaboratives and public educational settings. She also brings with her skills in market research, communications planning, qualitative research, strategic planning, board development and community conversation facilitation. Originally from Virginia, Deana most recently served as director of community relations for a K-12 public school district where she was involved in the development of a community partnership to support student wellness and educational outreach related to illness, disease and prevention.
Student and Alumni News

The Nonprofit Leadership Alliance has announced that six GSU students have been chosen for the Next Generation Nonprofit Leaders Program (NextGen), an initiative funded by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation. All students selected as NextGen Leaders agree to complete the Nonprofit Leadership Alliance certification process and to participate in a voluntary program evaluation and multi-year longitudinal research study. The NextGen program awards students $4,500 for internships and certification. Congratulations to:

Amanda Watkins, Graduate Certificate in Nonprofit Management
Lauren Kline, B.S. in Public Policy with concentration in Nonprofit Leadership
Bradley Hill, Master of Public Policy with concentration in Social Policy
Jenna Hyland, Master of Public Policy with concentration in Disaster Policy
Deborah Neves, Master of Public Policy with concentration in Nonprofit Policy
Roberto Gutierrez, B.S. in Public Policy

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For publication in the next issue, please submit your news items by Thursday at 5:15 p.m. to Gayon McFarquhar-Johnson at gayon@gsu.edu
From the Dean

I hope everyone has taken note of the announcement requesting the third round of 2CI proposals. The Andrew Young School was very successful in the first two rounds of 2CI awards. I am looking forward to seeing what you are thinking about this year.

Information on dates: Recall that I must review the proposals before they are turned into the Provost’s office on December 2. I am hoping that you will get all proposals in which AYS is the lead unit turned into me by November 18. If AYS is the secondary unit, the proposals can be turned in on November 23. And yes, this means I get to spend Thanksgiving break reading proposals!

We had an AYS Advisory Board meeting a couple of weeks ago. In separate presentations, Leah Daigle from CJ and the two co-presidents of the Nonprofit Students Alliance totally dazzled our board members with their exciting research and interesting internship stories. I have gotten wonderful feedback on them. I hope that all of you will be willing to share your work with the Board at some future time.

Criminal Justice Faculty Ranked among Top Junior "Rainmakers"

As part of the research showcase at the annual meeting of the Southern Criminal Justice Association, Susannah Tapp, graduate student (Criminal Justice) and Richard Tewksbury (University of Louisville) presented a project entitled "Junior Rainmakers: External Funding by Junior Professors in Ph.D. Granting Criminal Justice Programs." The authors reviewed the vitas of 102 CJ junior professors with an aim towards understanding trends in grant/contract projects by junior faculty in CJ Ph.D. programs. Wendy Guastaferro (pictured), assistant professor (Criminal Justice), tied for second out of the 102 junior professors for the most grants/contracts and was third in terms of the total amount of grant/contract dollars brought in by the junior professors. This research was published in the Journal of Criminal Justice Education.
Public Management and Policy Faculty Receives Funding from Kresge Foundation

Jesse Lecy, assistant professor (Public Management and Policy), and David Van Slyke, (Syracuse), have received $21K funding from the Kresge Foundation for a second wave of survey research on nonprofit startup organizations. Funding from Kresge, one of the leading philanthropic organizations sponsoring nonprofit research, is from the "Advancing Knowledge in Human Services Philanthropy and Nonprofit Organizations" project, a new grant program administered by The Center on Philanthropy at Indiana University.

Publications


Andrew Hanson, assistant professor (Economics) and Zack Hawley Ph.D. student (Economics), “Subtle Discrimination in the Rental Housing Market: Evidence from E-mail Correspondence with Landlords,” Journal of Housing Economics, forthcoming.

Presentations

Beverly Tyler, associate project director (Georgia Health Policy Center) presented, “Positioning Rural Health Organizations for Sustainability: A Formative Assessment Approach” to the Rural Health Association of Oklahoma, September 20, 2011.
Jan Ligon, associate professor (Social Work) and Nancy P. Kropf, director and professor (Social Work) presented, “Listening: Don't Be Quiet About It” on active listening strategies at the Retreat for GSU Development Staff organized by the VP for Development and held at the Indian Creek Lodge, September 29, 2011.

Bill Waugh, professor (Public Management and Policy), presented “Risk-Based Planning at the Community Level,” and moderated a panel on “Risk and Hazard Mitigation” at the Southeastern Conference on Public Administration, New Orleans, LA, September 22-24, 2011.

Erdal Tekin, associate professor (Economics) presented, “Is the Foreclosure Crisis Making Us Sick?” coauthored with Janet Currie (Princeton University), at the Department of Econometrics, Tilburg University in the Netherlands, September 21, 2011, and at Rockwool Foundation in Copenhagen, Denmark, September 22, 2011.

Media Hits

Karen Minyard, executive director (Georgia Health Policy Center) and research associate professor (Public Management and Policy), was interviewed on WABE News Radio for the story “More out-of-county patients could seek non-emergency alternatives to Grady” that aired on September 15, 2011. The full story is available online at www.gsu.edu/ghpc.

The Georgia Health Policy Center was featured in the Atlanta Journal-Constitution article “Old fort requires a new plan” on September 15, 2011 for work related to the base realignment and closure of Fort McPherson. Article can be found at: http://www.ajc.com/opinion/old-fort-requires-a-1182118.html.
David L. Sjoquist, professor (Economics) and the Dan E. Sweat Distinguished Chair in Educational and Community Policy, was asked to write an opinion piece on President Obama’s proposed tax on millionaires for the Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Sunday, September 25, 2011.

Jan Ligon, associate professor (Social Work), was interviewed in “Recession claims lost generation” by Channel 11 WXIA, September 22, 2011. The interview can be found at: http://www.11alive.com/news/article/206462/3/Recession-claims-lost-generation.

Bill Waugh, professor (Public Management and Policy) was interviewed by the Washington Post on the impact of cuts or delays in FEMA funding on communities recovering from disasters prior to Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee, September 22, 2011.

Activities and Outreach

Cathy Yang Liu, assistant professor (Public Management and Policy), participated in the 22nd annual Regional Leadership Institute (RLI) at St. Simons Island, GA, from September 11 to September 16. Organized by the Atlanta Regional Commission, RLI is a week-long immersion leadership program in which existing and emerging leaders from business, government, and the nonprofit sector learn more about local and national trends, key issues and share experiences and knowledge relevant to advancing the Atlanta region.

As president of the Southern Criminal Justice Association, Brian K. Payne, chair and professor (Criminal Justice), delivered the presidential address at the association’s most recent conference held September 21-24, 2011 in Nashville, TN. His address was titled “You're So Vain, You Probably Think This Keynote is About You: Expanding Art, Music, Health, and Globalization in Criminal Justice.”
Student and Alumni News

Christina Policastro (pictured), Ph.D. student (Criminal Justice) and Mary Finn, professor (Criminal Justice) presented, “Crossing the Disciplinary Divide: An Integrated Understanding of Intimate Partner Violence Among the Elderly,” at the Southern Criminal Justice Association meetings, Nashville, TN, September 21-24, 2011.

Sadie Mummert (pictured), Ph.D. student (Criminal Justice), Christina Policastro, and Brian Payne, chair and professor (Criminal Justice), presented “Teaching Sensitive Topics in the College Classroom: Dilemmas Associated with Violence Against Women,” at the Southern Criminal Justice Association meetings, Nashville, TN, September 21-24, 2011.

Elizabeth Bonomo, Ph.D. student (Criminal Justice), Erin Marsh, Wendy P. Guastaferro, assistant professor (Criminal Justice), and Leah E. Daigle (pictured), assistant professor (Criminal Justice), presented “Catch & Release: Barriers to Implementation of an Innovative Substance Abuse Treatment Program in Georgia’s Coastal Prison,” at the Southern Criminal Justice Association meetings, Nashville, TN, September 21-24, 2011.

Shila R. Hawk-Tourtelot (pictured), Ph.D. student (Criminal Justice) and Dean A. Dabney, associate professor (Criminal Justice), presented “Are All Cases Treated Equal? Using Goffman's Frame Analysis to Understand How Homicide Investigators Orient to Their Work,” at the Southern Criminal Justice Association meetings, Nashville, TN, September 21-24, 2011.

Charles Hogan (pictured), Ph.D. student (Criminal Justice) and Danielle Gentile, graduate student (Criminal Justice) presented “Knowledge and Opinions of Marijuana: A Farewell to Harms or a Learned Path Through the Gateway?” at the Southern Criminal Justice Association meetings, Nashville, TN, September 21-24, 2011.
From the Desk of Cynthia Searcy, Assistant Dean for Academic Program Enhancement

As you know, a goal of GSU’s strategic plan is to “achieve distinction in globalizing the university.” An initiative of this goal is to double the number of students who enroll in study abroad opportunities. In the 2009-2010 academic year, just 28 (2.5%) of our students studied abroad. We’re hoping to increase this number via our AYS study abroad programs, but we need your help.

From talking with undergraduates who are newly enrolled in AYS, we’ve learned that students know study abroad opportunities exist but they don’t understand that they can get academic credit for them in their degree programs or that their federal financial aid and HOPE scholarships apply to the course(s). They also don’t know that the Office of International Initiatives and the Andrew Young School offer scholarships that can help cover program costs. We hope that you will communicate these facts to students when you discuss opportunities for studying abroad in your classes and advising sessions.

As a reminder, we have several exciting Maymester programs this year that we’d like to fill with AYS students: Policy Studies in Europe (France, Germany, Luxembourg & Belgium) led by Greg Streib, professor (Public Management and Policy), South Africa led by Glen Ross, clinical associate professor (Economics), and Cross Cultural Perspectives on Health, Social Justice & Sustainability in Costa Rica led by Mary Ohmer, associate professor (Social Work). We also have semester-long programs in China (Economics), Italy (Economics), Switzerland (Economics) and the United Kingdom (Public Management and Policy). Faculty are welcome to participate in these exchanges too, so if spending Maymester or the summer abroad sounds enticing please let me know!

Public Management and Policy Faculty Member Elected to Prestigious Association

Gregory B. Lewis, professor (Public Management and Policy) will be elected to the membership in the National Academy of Public Administration in November 2011. The election to the membership of this prestigious body is a tribute to Lewis’ reputation in the field.
Publications

**Shiferaw Gurmu**, professor (Economics), and Getachew A. Dagne (University of South Florida), "Bayesian Approach to Zero-inflated Bivariate Ordered Probit Regression Model, with an Application to Tobacco Use," *Journal of Probability and Statistics*, forthcoming.

**Robin Hartinger-Saunders**, assistant professor (Social Work), Barbara Rittner (The University at Buffalo), William Wieczorek (Buffalo State), Thomas Nochajski (The University at Buffalo), Christine Rine (Plymouth State University) and John Welte (Buffalo State), “Victimization, Psychological Distress and Subsequent Offending Among Youth," *Children and Youth Services Review*, forthcoming.

Presentations

**Terrie Buckner**, program director (Social Work), and **Deidre Carmichael** (pictured), research associate (Social Work), presented “Tools for Engagement” at the national Staff Development and Training Association’s Annual Conference in Madison, Wisconsin. Their topic provides social service workforce developers with the tools they need to plan and deliver powerful presentations.

**Paul Ferraro** (pictured), professor (Economics), presented "Causal Mechanisms of Protected Area Impacts on Poverty" co-authored with AYS alumnus **Merlin Hanauer** (Ph.D. in Economics ’11), at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, September 29, 2011.

Media Hits

**Paula Stephan’s**, professor (Economics), research on the value to biotechnology firms of having a Nobel laureate on their board when making an initial public offering was quoted by a number of newspapers, including the *South China Morning Post*. Story link at: [http://www.scmp.com/portal/site/SCMP/menuitem.2af62ecb329d3d7733492d9253a0a0a0/?vgnextoid=d532885da05c2310VgnVCM10000360a0a0aRCRD&ss=asia%20world&s=news](http://www.scmp.com/portal/site/SCMP/menuitem.2af62ecb329d3d7733492d9253a0a0a0/?vgnextoid=d532885da05c2310VgnVCM10000360a0a0aRCRD&ss=asia%20world&s=news).

**Erdal Tekin’s** new paper on foreclosures and health entitled “Is the Foreclosure Crisis Making Us Sick?”, co-authored with Janet Currie (Princeton University), was mentioned in an op-ed article in the *New York Times* on October 3, 2011.


Other media hits for Robert Friedmann:

Activities and Outreach

Bruce Kaufman, professor (Economics), spent October at Griffith University, Brisbane, Australia, as a visiting professor. He presented a seminar on “The Ups and Downs of Employee Involvement at Delta Air Lines.”
AYS Student Teams Recognized at the Social Business Competition Held at Georgia Tech

Two Andrew Young School of Policy Studies teams representing Georgia State University placed among the top eight teams in a recent student social business competition at the University System of Georgia Economic Development Forum held at Georgia Tech on October 17, 2011. Keynote speaker and inspiration for the conference was Muhammad Yunus, 2006 Nobel Peace Prize Laureate and “Father of the Microcredit.”

The Economics team was comprised of Adam Smith, Cory Watson, and Urmimala Sen. The Public Management and Policy team was comprised of Lauren Lowery, Aundrea Bailey, and Maxwell Bonnie. The PMAP team entered the final round and received an honorable mention, while the Economics team finished eighth. The faculty advisor for both teams was Cathy Yang Liu, assistant professor (Public Management and Policy).

For more information on the two team's projects, please see story on the AYS website at: http://aysps.gsu.edu/index.html.

Criminal Justice Faculty Member Receives Excellence Award

At the National Association of Social Workers – Georgia Chapter’s annual conference Jan Ligon, associate professor (Social Work), was honored as the inaugural recipient of the David Levine Excellence in Education & Ethics Award.

Photo: Jan Ligon receives the award from Sue Fort, executive director of NASW.
Publications


Presentations


Cathy Yang Liu, assistant professor (Public Management and Policy), presented “From Cities to Suburbs: The Intra-Metropolitan Location and Growth of Ethnic Enterprises”, with Samir Abdullahi (MPP graduate) at the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning annual conference, Salt Lake City, October 13-16, 2011.
Erdal Tekin, associate professor (Economics), presented “Is the Foreclosure Crisis Making Us Sick?” co-authored with Janet Currie (Princeton University) at a seminar in the Department of Economics at University of South Carolina, Columbia, S. C., October 14, 2011.

Media Hits

Erdal Tekin’s new research on the impact of the foreclosure crisis on public health co-authored with Janet Currie (Princeton University), is mentioned in an op-ed article in the Australian Financial Review by Andrew Leigh, a parliament member from the Australian Labor Party, on October 18, 2011.

Activities and Outreach

Roy Bahl, regents professor (Economics) and founding dean (AYSPS), attended the annual meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the International Center for Land Policy Research and Training in Taipei, Taiwan, on August 17, 2011. He then traveled to Beijing to present a faculty lecture on fiscal decentralization at Tsinghua University and participate in a workshop on fiscal federalism with government officials.

Andrey Timofeev, research associate (International Studies Program), completed a one-week mission in Macedonia from October 2-7, 2011, to assist the Ministry of Finance in preparing simulations of changes to the general purpose grant formula. This was the third mission under a project commissioned by United Nations Development Programme to reform Macedonia's system of intergovernmental grants.

Barry Hirsch, professor (Economics) and the W.J. Usery Chair of the American Workplace, was a discussant on the paper, “Occupational Tasks and Changes in the Wage Structure,” by S. Firpo (São Paulo School of Economics), N. Fortin (University of British Columbia), and T. Lemieux (University of British Columbia) at the Employment and Education Conference, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, Center for Human Capital Studies, Atlanta, GA, September 29-30, 2011. http://www.frbatlanta.org/news/conferences/11employment_education.cfm.
Robbie Friedmann, professor emeritus (Criminal Justice) and director, Georgia International Law Enforcement Exchange (GILEE), served on a panel discussing crime, poverty and education for Leadership Atlanta’s Class of 2012 Criminal Justice and Public Safety Day, October 13, 2011.

The Georgia International Law Enforcement Exchange (GILEE) partnered with the U.S. Attorney’s Office - Northern District of Georgia, ASIS International - Greater Atlanta Chapter, BOMA, and the United States Secret Service - Atlanta Field office for the third day-long summit on “Law Enforcement and Business Continuity,” which was attended by more than 170 members of the law enforcement community, corporate security, and members of ASIS and BOMA.
I wanted to give you an update on what we in the AYS are doing to implement the University’s strategic plan. Recall that Goal 1 centers on undergraduate education. One of the specific initiatives is to increase institutional support for merit- and need-based scholarship funding. Alicia Brady, development director (AYSPS) and I have really been talking up scholarships with our donors, and it is heartening to see how interested they are in GSU students. A second initiative for this goal is the establishment of undergraduate signature experiences. There are already a number of valuable internships and service learning opportunities offered in the AYS. A couple of you (thanks to Brian Payne, chair and professor (Criminal Justice) for working on this) have already suggested the development of capstone courses and/or mentorships that would turn these opportunities into true signature experiences. Still another initiative for Goal 1 is the establishment of an Honors College. Here in the AYS, we are working on the renovation of the ground floor space to provide some facilities for GSU Honors students. Assistant dean Cynthia Searcy has set up a meeting for AYS honors students this fall to find out more about what they need and want. If you are currently teaching honors classes or students, please encourage them to come to this meeting.

Goal 3 in the strategic plan deals with moving GSU forward in the ranks of research universities. One of the ways that AYS is implementing this goal is to establish Research Professorships. These are non-tenure track faculty positions that are primarily or entirely paid for through soft money. The University Senate is currently drafting policies dealing with the various issues around such positions, including for example evaluations for promotions. A specific initiative within Goal 3 is further expansion of research administration staff. Several of you have already commented on how capable Shannan Hodgman is in her new position as Grants and Contracts Officer II. I hope that we can have at least a couple of research officers to help us in finding and applying for grants, as well as administering the grants after they are received.

And the last part of this that I will mention this time is Goal 4: Be a leader in understanding the complex challenges of cities and developing effective solutions. Many AYS faculty have been deeply involved in the working groups around the Council for the Progress of Cities. This is great and very helpful in providing some structure and ideas around this goal.

In other news, I attended the annual NASPAA conference a couple of weeks ago. It was great to see some former AYS faculty there: Ross Rubenstein and David Van Slyke both have very positive things to say about their experiences here. I had dinner with Sandy Archibald, Dean of the Evans School at U. Washington. She was great to talk with, even though she did know about our attempts to chat up Mary Kay Gugerty!
Georgia Health Policy Center Hosts Certificate Program

The Georgia Health Policy Center just wrapped up the third year of its Legislative Health Policy Certificate Program (LHPCP) on October 19, 2011. This initiative is designed to prepare state legislators and their staff for the challenging health issues before them. This year the program consisted of four sessions provided evidence-based information to weigh the complex variables involved in making policy decisions that will significantly affect all Georgians.

Topics included: Health Policy from a Systems Thinking Perspective: Why Health Matters to our State; Health Financing: Challenges and Opportunities; Health Coverage, Access to Care & Prevention, Health Insurance Exchange, and Behavioral Health.

The GHPC will also sponsor an advanced session this fall for legislators who have already completed the certificate program.

Publications

W.J. (Bill) Usery, Jr., Distinguished Executive Fellow in Labor Policy (Andrew Young School of Policy Studies) and the former U.S. Secretary of Labor, has authored, “A Heart for People – Even in Negotiation,” appearing in the Summer 2011/Winter 2012 issue of Perspectives on Work, the magazine of the Labor and Employment Relations Association (LERA). The piece provides a recollection of Mr. Usery’s childhood in Georgia and formative negotiations early in his career. The piece can be found on the Usery Workplace Research Group site at: http://aysps.gsu.edu/uwrg-usery.html.


**Presentations**

Mary Beth Walker, dean (Andrew Young School of Policy Studies) and professor (Economics), visited Montana State University and gave a seminar to the Economics Department entitled “Crime and High School Outcomes,” on October 26-28, 2011.

(Pictured: Mark Anderson and Mary Beth Walker)

Naima Wong, senior research associate (Georgia Health Policy Center), presented “Health Equity Impact Assessment as a tool for Health in All Policies: A Case Study of a United States Military Base Land Use Redevelopment” at the International Society for Equity in Health in Cartagena, Columbia on September 28, 2011.
Elizabeth Fuller (pictured), research associate II (Georgia Health Policy Center), Holly Avey, associate project director (Georgia Health Policy Center), and Naima Wong, senior research associate (Georgia Health Policy Center), presented the poster “Purpose-Driven Meeting Design and Facilitation for Stakeholder Engagement” at the Health Impact Assessment (HIA) of the Americas workshop in Oakland, CA on October 17, 2011. The poster is available online at http://www.slideshare.net/ghpc/hia-in-americas-2011-ghpc-poster.

Karen Minyard, executive director (Georgia Health Policy Center) and associate research professor (Public Management and Policy) presented “Health Care Reform: Implications for Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities” at the Georgia Association of Community Service Boards Educational Exchange in Atlanta, GA, October 18, 2011.

Activities and Outreach

The School of Social Work’s Professional Excellence staff members presented at the 2011 Georgia Conference on Children and Families in November at the Marietta Conference Center. Kitty Seabolt, training specialist, presented on “Family Centered Practice, the old new way to work.” Shawn Brown (pictured left), training specialist, presented a two part series on “Skills and Strategies for Working with Fathers.” Liz Gallaspy (pictured center), training specialist, presented a two part series on “Secondary Traumatic Stress and Supervision,” and Deidre Carmichael (pictured right), program planner, presented on “Performance Engineering: Creating the right environment to support excellent performance.”

Fred Brooks, associate professor (Social Work), participated in the Organizer’s Forum International Dialogue on Egypt held in Cairo, Egypt September 25 – October 1, 2011. The delegation of 21 organizers and academics from North America met with community and labor organizers from Egypt who were instrumental in the January 25 – February 11 uprising that toppled the Mubarak regime.
Student and Alumni News

Jasmine McGinnis, Ph.D. student (Public Management and Policy) is a recipient of the 2011 Emerging Scholars Award that will be presented at the upcoming ARNOVA conference. The award is designed to help develop the next generation of scholars, foster dissemination of research into practice, and enhance practitioner involvement in the creation of usable knowledge.

Alumnus Brian James (M.S. Urban Policy Studies '01), has worked at the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) for 10 years. He was promoted in September 2011 to Assistant Director in GAO's Strategic Issues team. As an Assistant Director, Brian will begin leading multiple engagement teams and managing a diverse portfolio of federal policy and program evaluations, with an emphasis on tax policy issues. In his new position, Brian will expand and lead GAO's examination efforts in areas affecting federal government while also playing an important role in employee development and agency operations.
ISP Renamed as ICP²

As of November 1, 2011, the International Studies Program (ISP) has changed its name to the International Center for Public Policy (ICP²). The new name is meant to better represent the current and future activities of the center and more accurately reflects its core expertise and geographical scope.

ICP² is an interdisciplinary public policy research center that engages over 20 faculty members from the departments of Economics, Public Management and Policy, and Political Science. It also houses a staff of five Ph.D. senior research associates dedicated solely to center work.

The overarching mission of the center is to expand knowledge, instill optimal practice and build capacity in the public sector around the world to improve human well-being through better public policy. The center pursues this mission through internationally-oriented research and academic programs, technical assistance efforts to governments of developing and transitional economies, and the provision of international policy-focused training programs.

Publications


Presentations

Dennis Young, (pictured) professor (Public Management and Policy), director (Nonprofit Studies Program), and the Bernard B. and Eugenia A. Ramsey Chair of Private Enterprise, and Simon Teasdale, (University of Birmingham, UK) presented, “The Dynamics and Long Term Stability of Social Enterprise,” to the NYU-Stern School Conference on Social Entrepreneurship. The paper was co-authored by Janelle Kerlin, assistant professor (Public Management and Policy), and Jung-in Soh, Ph.D. student (Public Management and Policy), in New York City, NY, November 2, 2011.


Mindy R. Wertheimer and Jan M. Ivery (pictured), associate professor (School of Social Work), presented “Integrating Nonprofit Board Governance in the Social Administration/Macro Curriculum” at the annual program meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, Atlanta, GA, October 27-30, 2011.

David L. Sjoquist, professor (Economics), director (Domestic Programs), and the Dan E. Sweat Distinguished Chair in Educational and Community Policy, spoke to the GSU College of Law’s Urban Fellows “Fiscal Stress and Government Finance,” Atlanta, GA, October 27, 2011.
Media Hits

David L. Sjoquist, professor (Economics), director (Domestic Programs) and the Dan E. Sweat Distinguished Chair in Educational and Community Policy, was interviewed on WABE radio regarding the E-SPLOST referenda being held in several Atlanta area counties and the T-SPLOST referenda being held in the Atlanta region next July, November 7, 2011.

A David L. Sjoquist interview regarding the recently released Census Bureau analysis of income inequality in Atlanta was aired on WABE, October 28, 2011.

Michael J. Bell, professor of practice (Public Management and Policy), was recently quoted in AroundTheRings.com, which is a publication dedicated to reporting the issues surrounding upcoming Olympic events.”
http://aroundtherings.com/articles/view.aspx?id=38058

Activities and Outreach

Michael J. Bell, professor of practice (Public Management and Policy), addressed the concessions conference of the Airports Council International in Atlanta on November 8, 2011, regarding concessions capital financing issues within the current commercial aviation environment.


David L. Sjoquist, professor (Economics), director (Domestic Programs), and the Dan E. Sweat Distinguished Chair in Educational and Community Policy, was a member of a Roundtable on “Fiscal Survival During the Recession: How Did State and Local Governments Respond?” at the Annual Research Conference of the Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management, Washington, D.C., November 4, 2011.
Student and Alumni News

Jasmine McGinnis, Ph.D. student (Public Management and Policy), had her research profiled in the article, “The Gender Wage Gap Is Smaller In Nonprofits,” in the Harvard Business Review, November 1, 2011. Article can be found at: http://links.mkt3142.com/servlet/MailView?ms=MjE2Njc0MwS2&r=MTg3MjQ4NjczMwS2&j=MzMxNjE2MzES1&mt=1&rt=0
From the Dean

Have you heard about the new scholarships coming in for GSU students? The Goizueta Foundation, the Coke Foundation, and the Atlanta Hawks have all signed agreements with GSU. The first agreement is for $5 million in scholarship support for Latino students over the next few years. The Hawks have an agreement to provide several scholarships in the amount of $2,500/year for four years. And just this week, The Coke Foundation awarded GSU $1.3 million in support for first-generation and Robinson College students.

These awards are very timely, as of this fall we have seen how the financial need of our students has grown. The changes in the HOPE scholarship, along with the poor economy, have meant that our students face wider and wider gaps between the costs and their ability to pay. Just last Tuesday, at the AYS Advisory Board meeting, Associate Provost Tim Renick made a presentation about student needs. It was interesting to observe the reaction of our Board members; they are impressed by our diverse students and horrified that so many are struggling with serious financial issues.

Assistant Dean Cynthia Searcy has agreed to serve as Scholarship Coordinator for the AYS. She will help to organize the awards and scholarships that we provide to our students and harmonize our practices with those in the rest of the University. As the volume of scholarship dollars has grown in the University as a whole, there is a real need to coordinate our efforts.

The award winners for the MLK Torch of Peace have been announced; once again, AYS faculty and students are being recognized in four categories. Professor Elizabeth Beck is the faculty recipient of the Torch of Peace award, for her work in restorative justice and peace. Jenna Hyland is the graduate student recipient; Grace Lee is the undergraduate recipient; and the Nonprofit Leadership Alliance was chosen as the student organization. Congratulations to all the Andrew Young School recipients! There is a very nice event scheduled in January, where these awards will be presented. I hope that we can show up to applaud our winners.

Speaking of showing up, remember that the AYS graduation recognition ceremony is this Thursday. I look forward to seeing you all there!
Awards and Honors

Paula Stephan, professor (Economics), has been elected a Fellow in the prestigious American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS). The citation accompanying her election reads “for distinguished professional service and for contributions to the economics of science, particularly the role of foreign-born researchers and the diffusion of scientific knowledge.”

Publications


Kent Kerley (University of Alabama, Birmingham), Heith Copes (University of Alabama, Birmingham), Richard Tewksbury (University of Louisville), and Dean Dabney (pictured), associate professor (Criminal Justice and Criminology), “Examining the Relationship Between Religiosity and Self-Control as Predictors of Prison Deviance,” International Journal of Offender Therapy and Comparative Criminology, 55:8, 1251-1271.

Presentations

Mark Reed (pictured), associate professor (Criminal Justice and Criminology), and Dean Dabney, associate professor (Criminal Justice and Criminology), presented “Death Notifications in Murder Cases: The Management and Reactions to the Delivery of Bad News” at the American Society of Criminology’s annual conference, Washington, D.C., November 15-19, 2011.

David L. Sjoquist, professor (Economics), director (Domestic Programs), and the Dan E. Sweat Distinguished Chair in Educational and Community Policy, presented “Tax Reform Georgia Style” at the National Tax Association’s 104th Annual Conference on Taxation, New Orleans, LA, November 17-19, 2011.
Robert Buschman (pictured), senior research associate (Fiscal Research Center) and David L. Sjoquist presented “An Exploration of Recent Changes to State Tax Structures” at the National Tax Association’s 104th Annual Conference on Taxation in New Orleans November 17-19, 2011.

Sally Wallace, chair and professor (Economics) and director (Fiscal Research Center), presented “Georgia’s Budget” to the Georgia Partnership for Excellence in Education fellows seminar, Atlanta, GA, November 16, 2011.


Media Hits

Volkan Topalli, associate professor (Department of Criminal Justice) was interviewed with the online partner of *Le Monde*, "Mediapart" for a story on how Obama’s election may have helped to suppress African American crime in the U.S. The title of the story is “L’effet Obama ou comment le président apaiserait une communauté entière” (The “Obama Effect” or, How the President was Able to Appease an Entire Community). Article can be found at: http://www.mediapart.fr/journal/international/191011/l-effet-obama-ou-comment-le-president-apaiserait-une-communaute-entiere.

Michael J. Bell, professor of practice (Public Management and Policy), was quoted in the Sunday edition of the *Atlanta Journal & Constitution*, November 13, 2011, on the Chapter 9 bankruptcy filing of Jefferson County, Alabama.

Janelle A. Kerlin, assistant professor (Public Management and Policy), was interviewed by the Foundation Center-Atlanta about her edited volume, *Social Enterprise: A Global Comparison*. The interview has been posted in a podcast at the Foundation Center’s GrantSpace multimedia archive: http://www.grantspace.org/Multimedia-Archive.


Activities and Outreach

Sally Wallace, chair and professor (Economics) and director (Fiscal Research Center), served as a panelist on “Tax Inter-Connectedness” at the National Conference of State Legislators annual meeting in Tampa, December 1, 2011.
David L. Sjoquist, professor (Economics), director (Domestic Programs), and the Dan E. Sweat Distinguished Chair in Educational and Community Policy, served as a discussant at the National Tax Association's 104th Annual Conference on Taxation, New Orleans, LA, November 17-19, 2011.

Dennis Young, professor (Public Management and Policy), director (Nonprofit Studies Program), and the Bernard B. and Eugenia A. Ramsey Chair of Private Enterprise, lectured on “Educating Social Entrepreneurs and Encouraging Social Innovation” at the Symposium on Capacity Building for the NGO Sector: Challenges and Opportunities sponsored by the Faculty of Social Sciences and the Centre for Civil Society Governance of Hong Kong University. During his visit, Dennis Young served on a team of American scholars to advise the University of Hong Kong on the development of its programs in nonprofit studies, November 21, 2011.

Dennis Young spoke as a panelist in a session titled “The Evolution of Nonprofit Studies as a Field” at the annual conference of ARNOVA (Association for Research on Nonprofit Studies and Voluntary Action) held in Toronto, Ontario, November 17-19, 2011.


Dennis Young chaired a session titled “Nonprofit Revenues and Competition” at the annual conference of ARNOVA (Association for Research on Nonprofit Studies and Voluntary Action) held in Toronto, Ontario, November 17-19, 2011. Papers at this session included:

“New vs. Existing Organizations: Explaining the Growth in Program Service Revenues and Expenses” by Teresa Harrison (Drexel University) and Amanda Wilsker (pictured), alumna (Ph.D. Economics ’11 and now with Georgia Gwinnett College).
“Entrance Barriers and Competition in Foundation Grant Markets”, co-authored by Lewis Faulk (pictured), alumna (Ph.D. in Public Policy ’11 and now with American University), Jesse Lecy, assistant professor (Public Management and Policy), and Jasmine McGinnis, Ph.D. student (Public Management and Policy).