

Presentations



Paula Stephan, professor (Economics), presented “Where Are They Going? Economic Trends of the Scientific Work Force” at the annual meetings of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in Boston, MA, February 15, 2013.

Media Hits

Paula Stephan, professor (Economics), had her research featured in an article on the *AAAS.org* member website entitled “A discussion about the future of science careers with Paula Stephan.” Article can be found at:

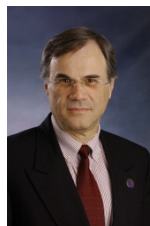
<http://membercentral.aaas.org/blogs/member-spotlight/discussion-about-future-science-careers-paula-stephan>.



Barry Hirsch, professor (Economics) and the W.J. Usery Chair of the American Workplace, was one of five economists asked for their views on President Obama’s minimum wage increase proposal. Cited was his paper with **Bruce Kaufman**, professor (Economics) and **Tetyana Zelenska**, Ph.D. student (Economics), “Minimum Wage Channels of Adjustment.” The article by Jordan Weissmann was entitled “Helpful, Harmful, or Hype? 5 Economists Weigh In on Obama’s Minimum-Wage Proposal,” *The Atlantic*, February 13, 2013. Article can be found at: <http://www.theatlantic.com/business/archive/2013/02/helpful-harmful-or-hype-5-economists-weigh-in-on-obamas-minimum-wage-proposal/273138/>.



Volkan Topalli, associate professor (Criminal Justice and Criminology) was interviewed by the *Atlanta Journal Constitution* about gang activity in Atlanta in the article “Probation officer: Alleged Standard bar shooter threatened to kill police,” February 21, 2013. Article can be found at: <http://www.ajc.com/news/news/local/alleged-standard-bar-shooter-could-be-headed-back-nWTp9>.



Robert Friedmann, professor emeritus (Criminal Justice & Criminology) and director (Georgia International Law Enforcement Exchange), was quoted in:

- [Shooting spurs questions in Atlanta](#), *Atlanta Journal Constitution*, December 14, 2012.
- [American Tragedy: Conn. shooting raises questions about school safety](#). *Covington News*, December 15, 2012.

Outreach



James C. Cox professor (Economics), director (Experimental Economics Center), and the Noah Langdale Jr Chair in Economics/Georgia Research Alliance Eminent Scholar, participated in the RCB Faculty Development Committee Workshop-Research Center Showcase. He made a presentation about the resources and research and teaching support services that the Experimental Economics Center provides to faculty and graduate students in AYS, RCB, and other colleges on February 14, 2013.

Student News



Robert Hovenkamp, graduate student (Public Policy and Management), was recently selected to receive the City of Wichita Management Fellowship. Management Fellows perform their work in the City Manager's Office for a year and work with various government departments.

The Planning and Economic Development Club (PEDC) team placed second in the annual policy competition of Georgia Students for Public Administration (GSPA) at the University of Georgia. The team consisted of **Philip Garnett**, PEDC president and undergraduate student (Economics), **Rena Rzayeva**, PEDC vice-president and graduate student (Public Management and Policy), **Reyyan Acar**, PEDC secretary and graduate student (Economics), and **Bauyrzhan Yedgenov**, PEDC member and Ph.D. student (Economics).

Renovations Begins at AYSPS

The long awaited renovations have begun on the vacant ground floor space (formerly the gift mart and check cashing establishments). The Andrew Young School of Policy Studies will be converting the space in two phases. Phase one will include demolition of the existing walls and ceilings in the entire space. Following demolition, a large conference room, a small conference room, and a passageway from the lobby will be built. Phase two will include a larger common seating areas and collaborative work areas for faculty, staff, and student to utilize. As renovations progress, there may be times when materials and other items are either removed from the renovation area to the vault and materials brought up. The contractor will try to keep movements of materials to early in the morning or late in the day to minimize impact in the AYSPS building.

Pictures and progress of the renovation will be posted on the AYSPS website. The URL will be provided in the next issue of the Dean's Enews.

Pictures from before renovations:



Pictures from the week of March 11th showing renovation progress:



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