

Awards & Honors

Ligon and O Receive 2013 AYSPS Excellence in Teaching Awards



Clinical Assistant Professor of Economics **Grace O** and Associate Professor **Jan Ligon**, BSW program director in the School of Social Work, have been honored with the 2013 AYSPS Excellence in Teaching Award. The award recognizes tenured and non-tenured faculty, as nominated by students and faculty, for their teaching effectiveness and innovation as demonstrated by student demand and evaluations, commitment to curriculum development and advancement of new teaching methods, and distinguished advising.

Many congratulations – and our sincere thanks – go to Jan and Grace!

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The **Department of Economics** at Georgia State University in May 2013 was ranked 30th among the world's "Top 10% of Institutions in the Field of Public Economics" – and the top in the South - by IDEAS, a [RePEc](#) service hosted by the [Research Division](#) of the [Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis](#). The rankings are based on data about authors who have registered with the [RePEc Author Service](#), institutions listed on [EDIRC](#), bibliographic data collected by [RePEc](#), citation analysis performed by [CitEc](#) and popularity data compiled by [LogEc](#). (<http://ideas.repec.org/top/top.pbe.html>).



In the same month, Regents Professor of Economics **Jorge Martinez-Vazquez** and ICePP director, ranked 46th among the world's 50 top "Economists in the Field of Public Economics."

Publications



Nancy P. Kropf (pictured), director and professor (School of Social Work) and **Minhong Lee**, (Dong-Eui University). (2013). "The Capacity Evaluation Screen-Social Work (CES-SW): Development of a Brief Instrument," *Journal of Social Service Research*, 1–9. DOI: 10.1080/01488376.2013.799113.

Jan Ligon, associate professor (School of Social Work). (2013). "When Older Adult Substance Abuse Affects Others: What Helps and What Doesn't," *Journal of Social Work Practice in the Addictions*, Volume 13, 223-26.



Andrew Feltenstein (pictured), professor (Economics) and **Musharraf Cyan**, senior research associate (International Center for Public Policy). (2013). "A Computational General Equilibrium Approach to Sectoral Analysis for Tax Potential: An Application to Pakistan" *Journal of Asian Economics*, forthcoming.

Presentations



Elizabeth Fuller, senior research associate (Georgia Health Policy Center), presented the poster, "Finding a Common Language Through Photography: Utilizing Photovoice to Tell the Story of Fort McPherson," at the Federal Reserve annual conference in Washington, D.C., April 11, 2013.

Elizabeth Fuller presented on the panel "Exploring Institutionalization of HIA through Public Health Institutes," at the National Network of Public Health Institutes annual conference in New Orleans, La., May 21, 2013.



Karen Minyard, executive director (Georgia Health Policy Center) and associate research professor (Public Management and Policy), presented "Leading through Health Systems Change: A Public Health Opportunity" at the Public Health Improvement Training annual conference in Atlanta, Ga., April 23, 2013.



Michelle Rushing, research associate II (Georgia Health Policy Center), facilitated the workshop, "Taking Action to Improve Community Health: ATSDR Action Model and Health Impact Assessment," at the Brownfields 2013 conference in Atlanta, Ga., May 14, 2013.



Tamanna Patel (pictured), research associate II (Georgia Health Policy Center) and **Jane Branscomb**, research associate II (Georgia Health Policy Center), led the workshop, "Systems Thinking Tools for Collaborative Conversations," at the National Network of Public Health Institutes annual conference in New Orleans, La., May 20, 2013.



Glenn Landers (pictured), associate project director (Georgia Health Policy Center) and **Karen Minyard**, presented "Leveraging the Community Benefit Requirement of the Affordable Care Act for Collective Impact: The Atlanta Regional Collaborative for Health Improvement (ARCHI)" at the National Network of Public Health Institutes annual conference in New Orleans, La., May 21, 2013.



Jimmy Dills (pictured), research associate II (Georgia Health Policy Center) and **Michelle Rushing**, led the roundtable "Using Health Impact Assessment (HIA) and Health-in-Decision-Making to Advance the National Prevention Strategy," at the National Network of Public Health Institutes annual conference in New Orleans, La., May 21, 2013.



Glenn Landers, Karen Minyard, Chris Parker (pictured) associate project director (Georgia Health Policy Center), and **Brittney Romanson**, research associate II (Georgia Health Policy Center), presented "Leading Through Health System Change: A Public Health Opportunity," at the National Network of Public Health Institutes annual conference in New Orleans, La., May 21, 2013.



Rachel Ferencik, senior research associate (Georgia Health Policy Center) and Richard Puddy (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention), presented "The Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) Learning Lab: Developing a tool for supporting community engagement to support child well-being," at the National Network of Public Health Institutes annual conference in New Orleans, La., May 21, 2013.



Debra Kibbe, senior research associate (Georgia Health Policy Center), presented "Evidence-based Interventions to Address Childhood Obesity, Physical Activity, and Nutrition Behaviors," at the Villanova University MacDonald Center for Obesity Prevention and Education's webinar series for healthcare professionals, Villanova, Pa., May 30, 2013.

Activities & Outreach

The **Georgia Health Policy Center** was a silver sponsor at the National Cooperative of Health Networks conference held in New Orleans, La., April 16-19, 2013.

The **Georgia Health Policy Center** was a sponsor at the National Rural Health Association conference held in Louisville, Ky., May 7-10, 2013.

Debra Kibbe, senior research associate (Georgia Health Policy Center), participated in the Education and Training Core (ETC) of the Johns Hopkins Global Center on Childhood Obesity workshop, Agent-based and System Dynamics Models: New Tools for Understanding Obesity, Baltimore, Md., April 10 and 11, 2013.



Sally Wallace, chair and professor (Economics), served as a panelist in the World Bank Conference "Fiscal Policy for an Equitable Society," Washington, D.C., June 10-11, 2013.



Robert D. Buschman, senior research associate (Fiscal Research Center) and alumnus (Ph.D. in Economics '12), provided testimony on the district's income tax to the D.C. Tax Revision Commission in Washington, D.C., May 6, 2013.

The **Georgia International Law Enforcement Exchanges (GILEE)** co-convened the International Conference for Police & Law Enforcement Executives held in Atlanta June 9-11, 2013. Titled "The New Reality: Can We Deliver?", it was attended by several hundred police executives from around the world who shared best practices on how to continually improve and more efficiently deliver law enforcement services. Learn more at www.internationalpoliceconference.org/home.



Pictured at the conference are (left to right) Major General Zohar Dvir, Israel Police; **Robert Friedmann**, Professor Emeritus (Criminal Justice and Criminology) and director (GILEE); Chief George Turner, Atlanta Police Department; and Chief Keith Glass, City of Monroe Police (Georgia), who headed last year's GILEE counter terrorism training delegation to Israel.

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