

## Message from Dean Walker



On October 10, the University Senate approved a new Non Tenure-Track (NTT) Promotion Manual for the University. Given the diversity of roles in NTT positions, the process involved extensive deliberations across campus. **Shelby Frost**, clinical associate professor in Economics, served as co-chair of the committee. The new manual describes all categories of NTT faculty positions including clinical research faculty, lecturers, research faculty and academic professionals. Additionally, the manual includes criteria for promotion and a summary of the review process. One of our tasks will be bringing our current NTT guidelines into compliance with the new University policies. A link will be posted on the University Policy page soon at: <http://policies.oie.gsu.edu/>. Once it is posted, please read through the new manual, as AYSPS will begin to use this content for NTT promotions in the coming year.

## Publications



**Vjollca Sadiraj** (pictured), associate professor (Economics), **James C. Cox**, professor (Economics), director (Experimental Economics Center), and the Noah Langdale Jr. Chair in Economics/Georgia Research Alliance Eminent Scholar, Utteeyo Dasgupta (Franklin and Marshall College) and Bodo Vogt (Otto-von-Guericke University of Magdeburg). (2013). "Is There a Plausible Theory for Decision Under Risk? A Dual Calibration

Critique." *Economic Theory*, 54 (2): 305-333. The article can be found at: <http://link.springer.com/article/10.1007%2Fs00199-012-0712-4#page-1>.



**Paula Stephan**, professor (Economics). "The Mover's Advantage: The Superior Performance of Migrant Scientists," with Chiara Franzoni (Politecnico di Milano) and Giuseppe Scellato (Politecnico di Torino), *Economics Letters*, (forthcoming).



**Josh Hinkle**, assistant professor (Criminal Justice and Criminology). (2013). "The Relationship Between Disorder, Perceived Risk and Collective Efficacy: A Look Into the Indirect Pathways of the Broken Windows Thesis." *Criminal Justice Studies: A Critical Journal of Crime, Law and Society*, doi: 10.1080/1478601X.2013.843253. The article can be found at:

[www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/1478601X.2013.843253#.U17qZ1Mgrdc](http://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/1478601X.2013.843253#.U17qZ1Mgrdc).

## Fiscal Research Center Reports/Briefs



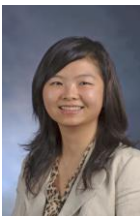
**Peter Bluestone**, senior research associate (Fiscal Research Center), examines the level and geographic distribution of federal spending across the state by major federal programs such as Social Security or Defense spending in a new Fiscal Research Center brief, FRC Brief No. 264. Download a copy at:

<https://aysps.gsu.edu/sites/default/files/documents/Brief264FIN.pdf>.



**David L. Sjoquist**, professor (Economics), director (Domestic Studies), and the Dan E. Sweat Distinguished Chair in Educational and Community Policy, explores the volatility in the Georgia and Atlanta population, employment and income growth rates over the past several decades in a new Fiscal Research Center report, FRC Report No. 263. Download a copy at:

[http://aysps.gsu.edu/sites/default/files/documents/Rpt%20263FIN\\_0.pdf](http://aysps.gsu.edu/sites/default/files/documents/Rpt%20263FIN_0.pdf).



**Cathy Yang Liu**, assistant professor (Public Management and Policy), provides a systematic overview of the high-technology sector and its growth trend in the state of Georgia between 2000 and 2011 in a new Fiscal Research Center report, FRC Report No. 262. Download a copy at:

[http://aysps.gsu.edu/sites/default/files/documents/Rpt%20262FIN\\_0.pdf](http://aysps.gsu.edu/sites/default/files/documents/Rpt%20262FIN_0.pdf).

## Presentations



**James Cox** (pictured), professor (Economics), director (Experimental Economics Center), and the Noah Langdale Jr. Chair in Economics/Georgia Research Alliance Eminent Scholar, presented his paper, “Higher and Lower Cost from Improving Hospital Discharge Decision Making” at a seminar at Carleton University in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, on September 20, 2013. He co-authored the paper with **Vjollca Sadiraj**, associate professor (Economics), **Kurt Schnier**, associate professor (Economics) and John F. Sweeney (Emory University School of Medicine). A copy of the paper can be found at: [www1.carleton.ca/economics/ccms/wp-content/ccms-files/seminar-paper-130920.pdf](http://www1.carleton.ca/economics/ccms/wp-content/ccms-files/seminar-paper-130920.pdf).

**Paula Stephan**, professor (Economics) presented the seminar, “Too Many Scientists?” at the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, University of Michigan, October 2, 2013.

**Paula Stephan** was the opening plenary speaker at the 5<sup>th</sup> Biennial Atlanta Conference on Science and Innovation Policy, hosted at the Georgia Institute of Technology, September 26-28, 2013. The title of her talk was “How Economics Shapes Science.”

**Paula Stephan** was also an invited speaker at the American Chemical Society’s Invitational Conference on Graduate Education in Chemistry, hosted at the Georgia Institute of Technology, September 22, 2013. The title of her talk was “Rethinking Graduate Education.”

**Cathy Yang Liu**, assistant professor (Public Management and Policy), presented “Immigrant Entrepreneurship and Agglomeration in High-Tech Industries in the U.S.” with Gary Painter (University of Southern California) and Qingfang Wang (University of North Carolina-Charlotte) at the Atlanta Conference on Science and Innovation Policy, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Ga., September 26-28, 2013. Liu also served as a discussant for a session, “Middle Income Trap, Urban Life,” at the Middle Class Phenomenon in Emerging Markets Conference organized by the Robinson College of Business at Georgia State University, September 19-21, 2013.



**Bruce Kaufman**, professor (Economics), spent 3 weeks from September 20-October 11 as a visiting professor at the Department of Employment Relations and Human Resources and Centre for Work, Organization, and Wellbeing at Griffith University Business School, Brisbane, AU. He also gave an hour-long webinar presentation titled “The Future of Human Resource Management: Separating Fact from Fiction.”



**Karen Minyard** (pictured), associate research professor (public management and policy) and the executive director (Georgia Health Policy Center), and **Glenn Landers**, associate project director (Georgia Health Policy Center) presented “Leading through Health System Change: A Public Health Opportunity” at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual State of Public Health conference in Athens, GA on October 3, 2013.

**Karen Minyard** also presented “The Affordable Care Act and Implications for the Business Community” at the Cumming Forsyth County Chamber of Commerce, Healthcare Association of Forsyth County’s 2013 Healthcare Summit presented by Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta in Cumming, GA on October 15, 2013.

**Karen Minyard** facilitated the session “Changing the Local Health System: The Local Perspective on Leadership, Stewardship, and Dynamic Modeling” at a pre-conference session at the Communities Joined in Action (CJA) conference in Charlotte, NC on October 16, 2013.



**Glenn Landers**, associate project director (Georgia Health Policy Center) presented “The Effect of Clean Indoor Air Laws on Asthma Discharges, a 17-State Analysis” at the American Evaluation Association’s annual conference in Washington, DC on October 17, 2013.

**Glenn Landers** facilitated the session “Asthma: From the Clinic to Policy, How Are We Doing?” at the American Evaluation Association’s annual conference in Washington, DC on October 17, 2013.



**Brittney Romanson** (pictured), research associate I (Georgia Health Policy Center) and **Libby Kauss**, research associate I (Georgia Health Policy Center) presented “You Can’t Evaluate without the Evaluand: Strategies for Keeping an Evaluation in Sync with an Evolving Program,” at the American Evaluation Association annual conference in Washington, DC on October 18, 2013.

**The following School of Social Work faculty presented research at the National Association of Social Workers (NASW) - Georgia Chapter's 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference held October 4-6, 2013, in Atlanta:**



**Robin Hartinger-Saunders**, assistant professor, presented “Post-Adoption Needs and Services as Predictors of Outcomes: Findings from the National Adoptive Families Study.”



**Jan Ligon**, associate professor and BSW program director, presented “Transforming Our Approaches with Families Affected by Substance Abuse” and the Plenary Address: “Wheel of Fortune: Taking a Spin through Ethical Decision Making.”



**Lionel D. Scott, Jr.**, associate professor, presented “Specialty Mental Health Services Among Black Americans: The Conundrum of Individual Barriers to Utilization.”



**Mindy R. Wertheimer**, acting director, clinical professor and MSW Program Director, presented “Standards for Professional Behavior: Beyond Ethics” (with Sandy Corbin, Sarah Bess Hudson and Katie Morgan from the Multi-Agency Alliance for Children). Wertheimer also presented “Creating a Culture of Integrity: Leadership and Organizations.”



**Deborah M. Whitley**, associate professor, presented “Caregiver Supportive Services: Leveraging Community Resources to Develop a Model of Service Delivery” and “Custodial Grandmothers Raising Grandchildren with Disabilities.”



**Karen Watkins** (pictured), clinical assistant professor, and **Terri Lewinson**, assistant professor, presented “Inspiring the Use of Photo Essays to Explore Social Concerns of Diverse Populations.”





**Karen Watkins** and **Terri Lewinson** (pictured) presented "eSocial Work: Transitioning a 'Lackluster' Research Paper Assignment into an 'Extraordinary' Collaborative ePortfolio Experience" at the 2013 Annual Conference of the Association for Authentic, Experiential and Evidence-Based Learning (AAEEBL) held in Boston July 29-August 1, 2013.

## Community Activities and Outreach

**David Sjoquist**, professor (Economics), director (Domestic Programs), and the Dan E. Sweat Distinguished Chair in Educational and Community Policy, spoke to the Andrew Young School's Public Budgeting and Finance Club on "Financing Education in Georgia" on September 24, 2013. Sjoquist also served as the discussant for the Effectiveness of Tax Credits/Incentives Panel at the annual Revenue Estimation and Tax Research Conference of the Federation of Tax Administrators in Springfield, Illinois, on October 8, 2013.



**Robert Buschman**, senior research associate (Fiscal Research Center), testified before the Georgia Senate Fair Tax Study Committee on September 20, 2013, on "Alternative Consumption Tax Structures for Georgia."



**Angela Snyder**, research assistant professor (Georgia Health Policy Center) gave testimony to the Senate Select Alternative Funding for Medicaid and Other Health Care Federal Funding Committee in Atlanta, GA on October 16, 2013.

## The Georgia Health Policy Center was involved in the following events and activities:

\*Co-sponsored and hosted the Health Reform in Community Settings conference in Macon, GA on September 30, 2013. The event featured multiple speakers with more than 80 attendees.

\*Exhibited and attended the National Academy for State Health Policy 26<sup>th</sup> Annual State Health Policy Conference in Seattle, WA on October 9-11, 2013.

\*Co-sponsored Take Action Against Tobacco: An Interactive Tobacco Control Strategy Workshop with the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids, the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network, and the Georgia Department of Public Health in Macon, GA on October 17, 2013.

\*Was a platinum level sponsor at the 2013 Communities Joined in Action annual meeting in Charlotte, NC on October 16-18.

## Media Hits

**Peter Bluestone**, senior research associate (Fiscal Research Center), was quoted about his study on sequestration in the October 9, 2013, issue of the *Augusta Chronicle* in the article: "Augusta Among Ga. Cities Hit Hardest By Sequestration." Read the full article: <http://chronicle.augusta.com/news/metro/2013-10-09/augusta-among-ga-cities-hit-hardest-sequestration-according-study>.



**Robyn Bussey**, research associate II (Georgia Health Policy Center), was quoted about GHPC's research in the article "GSU Health Policy Center Staffs Cancer Control Plan Implementation" on the Georgia Center for Oncology Research and Education website on July 17, 2013. Read the full article here: <http://georgiacore.org/articleDetail.aspx?articleID=300>.

**Karen Minyard**, executive director (Georgia Health Policy Center) and **Glenn Landers**, associate project director (Georgia Health Policy Center) were featured in the *Athens Banner-Herald* article "Health care changes can improve public health, speaker says" on October 3, 2013. Read the full article here: <http://onlineathens.com/health/2013-10-03/health-care-changes-can-improve-public-health-speaker-says>.

**Karen Minyard** was mentioned in the *Forsyth County News* article "Summit focusing on health care act" on October 9, 2013. Read the full article here: <http://www.forsythnews.com/section/2/article/20422/>.

**Karen Minyard** was also featured in the *Forsyth County News* article "Summit addresses health care act" on October 17, 2013. Read the full article here: <http://www.forsythnews.com/section/2/article/20584/>.

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