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## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT 9-10:30

CRIME & DEVIANT BEHAVIOR 10:40-12

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EDUCATION 1:30-3

MACROECONOMICS &  
FINANCE 3:10-4:40

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## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH

ENVIRONMENTAL & HEALTH 9-10:30

PUBLIC POLICY 10:40-12:10

LABOR, GENDER, &  
EDUCATION 12:20-1:50

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## SESSION ONE

### INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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THE SUCCESS OF SOAP-MAKING: HOW ENTREPRENEURIAL TRAINING IN UGANDAN REFUGEES IMPACTS THEIR OUTCOMES IN VILLAGE SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS

Aniyah Adams, Elon University

Discussant: Sadie Carlson, Minnesota State University - Moorhead

CLIMATE SHOCKS ON CHILD HEALTH IN FEMALE & MALE HEADED HOUSEHOLDS

Vatsala Ramanan, Smith College

Discussant: Morgan Kearns, Elon University

AFRICAN FOOD INSECURITY

Jonas Baune, Minnesota State University - Moorhead

Discussant: Carol Gao, Smith College

GLOBALIZATION AND THE GLOBAL SOUTH: REMODELING MEXICO'S MIGRATION NARRATIVE

Timur R Martinez Smirnov, St. Lawrence University

Discussant: Kimheng Larch, Elon University

WOMEN'S FAMILY PLANNING ACCESSIBILITY AND ITS IMPACT ON INCOME GENERATING ACTIVITY IN SOUTHWEST KENYA: AN INDIVIDUAL LEVEL ANALYSIS

Cole Haecker, Elon University

Discussant: Rishika Todi, College of Wooster

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## SESSION TWO

### CRIME & DEVIANT BEHAVIOR

10:40-12

#### UNEMPLOYMENT DURATION AND CRIME RATE

Sadie Carlson, Minnesota State University - Moorhead

Discussant: Kara Friske, Elon University

#### ACCUMULATING CONSEQUENCES OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE: AGE OF FIRST EXPERIENCE ON HUMAN CAPITAL

Morgan Kearns, Elon University

Discussant: Haley Wilder, Belmont University

#### BLACK LIVES MATTER PROTESTS ON ARREST RATES IN CHICAGO

Carol Gao, Smith College

Discussant: Bridget Foehl, Elon University

#### ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION AND LABOR MARKET OUTCOMES

Kimheng Larch, Elon University

Discussant: Michelle Bryant, College of Wooster

Session Chair: Liam O'Connor, Elon University

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## SESSION THREE

### EDUCATION

1:30-3

THE GENDER GAP IN TEST SCORES AND TEACHER GRADES  
IN ECLS-K:2011: CAN NON-COGNITIVE SKILLS EXPLAIN?

Kara Friske, Elon University

Discussant: Laura Li, Smith College

THE EFFECT OF REMITTANCES ON SCHOOLING CHOICES IN  
NEPAL

Rishika Todi, College of Wooster

Discussant: Blake Roberts, Minnesota State University - Moorhead

THE PREDICTIVE ABILITY OF COGNITIVE AND NON-  
COGNITIVE SKILLS ON FIFTH GRADE ACHIEVEMENT

Bridget Foehl, Elon University

Discussant: Zhitian (Ariel) Zhang, Smith College

SAT SCORES & ARRESTS: ARE THEY CONNECTED

Haley Wilder, Belmont University

Discussant: Cady Gentile, Gettysburg College

THE IMPACT OF THE NOTION OF LABOR DISCRIMINATION  
ON EXPECTED HIGHER EDUCATION RETURNS FOR AFRICAN  
AMERICAN SCHOLARS

Michelle Bryant, College of Wooster

Discussant: Taylor Zixuan Zhang, Smith College

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## SESSION FOUR

### MACROECONOMICS & FINANCE

3:10-4:40

CENTRAL BANK INDEPENDENCE AND ITS ROLE IN  
DISCIPLINING DEFICIT SPENDING

Laura Li, Smith College

Discussant: Aniyah Adams, Elon University

SHORT SELLING: ECONOMIC INSIGHTS AND ANALYSIS

Blake Roberts, Minnesota State University- Moorhead

Discussant: Vatsala Ramanan, Smith College

CENTRAL BANK INDEPENDENCE AND MACROECONOMIC  
PERFORMANCE THROUGH PANEL DATA REGRESSION  
ANALYSES

Zhitian (Ariel) Zhang, Smith College

Discussant: Jonas Baune, Minnesota State University - Moorhead

PRODUCTION TAX CREDITS VS FEED-IN TARIFFS: EFFECTS  
ON CAPACITY AND EFFICIENCY INVESTMENTS

Cady Gentile, Gettysburg College

Discussant: Timur R Martinez Smirnov, St. Lawrence University

THE SPILLOVER EFFECTS OF QUANTITATIVE EASING ON  
CAPITAL FLOWS TO EMERGING MARKET ECONOMIES

Taylor Zixuan Zhang, Smith College

Discussant: Cole Haecker, Elon University

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## SESSION FIVE

### ENVIRONMENTAL & HEALTH

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#### BUILT ENVIRONMENT & TRAVEL BEHAVIOR

Lillian Byrne, University of Maryland

Discussant: Tsvetomir Petkov, Gettysburg College

#### POTENTIAL FOR LODGING IN THE ADIRONDACK AND ST. LAWRENCE RIVER REGIONS

Max Hagan, St Lawrence University

Discussant: Andrea Sheetz, Elon University

#### THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE 2008 RECESSION AND BIRTH RATES IN THE UNITED STATES

Malia Takei, Elon University

Discussant: William Drappo, Indiana State University

#### BUDGETING NORTH CAROLINA WATER THROUGH WATERSHED TRADING QUOTAS

Adam Mottershead, Western Carolina University

Discussant: Maria J. Mendoza, Elon University

#### MEASURING THE EFFECT OF AGE AT FIRST BIRTH ON WAGE

Madison Duchesneau, Elon University

Discussant: Brandon Charles, College of Wooster

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## SESSION SIX

### PUBLIC POLICY

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#### THE ROLE OF PRICE TRANSPARENCY AND MANDATORY INSURANCE IN DETERMINING PRICES

Tsvetomir Petkov, Gettysburg College

Discussant: Laura Peterjohn, College of Wooster

#### IMPACT OF ABORTION CLINIC CLOSURES ON EVICTIONS

Maria J. Mendoza, Elon University

Discussant: Mark Wardlaw, Belmont University

#### HOW NEOCLASSICAL ECONOMIC THEORY FAILS TO EXPLAIN THE INDUSTRIAL FOOD SYSTEM

William Drappo, Indiana State University

Discussant: Isabella Hindley, Elon University

#### AN ANALYSIS ON THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PUBLIC LIBRARY INNOVATION AND SOCIAL CAPITAL

Liam O'Connor, Elon University

Discussant: Mahi Lal, College of Wooster

#### HOW DO MINIMUM WAGE INCREASES IMPACT UNEMPLOYMENT?

Brandon Charles, College of Wooster

Discussant: Lillian Byrne, University of Maryland

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## SESSION SEVEN

### LABOR, GENDER, & EDUCATION

12:20-1:50

HUMAN CAPITAL INVESTMENT THROUGH EDUCATION: THE WAY TO AN EQUITABLE MIDDLE CLASS IN SOUTH AFRICA

Laura Peterjohn, College of Wooster

Discussant: Liam O'Connor, Elon University

WAGE DIFFERENTIALS ACROSS DEGREE FIELDS AND LEVELS OF EDUCATION FOR IMMIGRANTS VS. NATIVES

Mark Wardlaw, Belmont University

Discussant: Max Hagan, St Lawrence University

THE EFFECT OF SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHER EXPECTATIONS ON STUDENT ENROLLMENT IN POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION - A GENDER-SPECIFIC ANALYSIS

Isabella Hindley, Elon University

Discussant: Adam Mottershead, Western Carolina University

DISCRIMINATION AGAINST FOREIGN BORN NURSES

Mahi Lal, College of Wooster

Discussant: Malia Takei, Elon University

THE IMPACT OF FOREIGN AID ON CHILD LABOR

Elisha Brinkman, Stonehill University

Discussant: Madison Duchesneau, Elon University

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## LOCATIONS

ALL SESSIONS: THE LEXINGTON HOTEL  
511 Lexington Avenue,  
Entrance at 48th Street, New York, NY 10017

STUDENT-FACULTY RECEPTION: STOUT GRAND CENTRAL  
60 E 41st Street, New York, NY 10017

NOTE: BOTH SPACES REQUIRE PHYSICAL OR DIGITAL  
PROOF OF VACCINATION