



**2018 Graduate Research Symposium
Agricultural, Food, and Resource Economics**

March 29 - 30, 2018

Morrill Hall of Agriculture, Room 75

Thursday, March 29

Time	Speaker	Title
1:00 PM	Robert Myers	Introduction and Welcome
1:15 - 2:45 PM	Session I: DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS	
1:15 PM	Evgeniya Moskaleva	Factors Associated with Young Adults' Migration Decisions: Evidence from Tanzania
1:45 PM	Samantha Padilla	Dynamic Modelling of Poultry Production in Nigeria
2:15 PM	Stephen Morgan	Do Different Extension Approaches Affect Smallholder Farmers' Willingness-to-Pay for New Agricultural Technologies? Experimental Auction Results from Tanzania
2:45 - 3:00 PM	Break	
3:00 - 5:00 PM	Session II: APPLIED ECONOMICS	
3:00 PM	Danielle Kaminski	Dairy Workers' Job Preferences
3:30 PM	Jungmin Lim	Growing Heat Vulnerability of Aging Society: The Potential Role of Heat Island Mitigation Measures
4:00 PM	Qi Tian	Regret Minimization in Decision Making: Implications for Choice Modeling and Policy Design
4:30 PM	Samantha Padilla	Persistent Poverty in the United States: Is it a Poverty Trap?
6:00 – 8:00 PM	Reception and Dinner Hosted by the Graduate Student Organization at the Home of Mywish Maredia: 2702 Laforet Cir, Okemos, 48864, (517) 333-3986 Please RSVP to Ashleigh Booth at boothash@anr.msu.edu	

Friday, March 30

Time	Speaker	Title
For Prospective Students: Overview of Graduate Study		
9:00 AM	Titus Awokuse	Introduction and Welcome From the Department Chair
9:05 AM	Robert Myers	Overview of Graduate Programs in Agricultural, Food, and Resource Economics
9:15 AM	Saweda Liverpool-Tasie	Research Overview: Development Economics
9:30 AM	Rick Horan	Research Overview: Environmental and Resource Economics
9:45 AM	Trey Malone	Research Overview: Food and Agricultural Management and Economics
10:00 - 11:30 AM Session III: ENVIRONMENTAL & NATURAL RESOURE ECONOMICS		
10:00 AM	Nathaly Rivera	Is Mining an Environmental Disamenity? Evidence From Rental Prices in a Developing Country
10:30 AM	Ari Kornelis	Irrigation Water Demand: Price Elasticities and Climatic Determinants in the Great Lakes Region
11:00 AM	Braeden Van Deynze	Measuring the Impact of Glyphosate-Resistant Weeds on Tillage Practices
11:30 - 1:00 PM Lunch in the Atrium		
1:00 - 2:30 PM Session IV: CONSUMER CHOICE		
1:00 PM	Angelos Lagoudakis	Experimental Auctions vs Real Choice Experiment: An Empirical Application on Consumer Valuation for Quality Attributes on Eggs
1:30 PM	Danielle Kaminski	U.S. Consumers' Willingness-to-Pay for Milk Produced Under Certified Labor Conditions
2:00 PM	Wen Lin	Effects of Personality on Demand for Genetically Modified Animal Products: A Cross-Country Investigation
2:30 - 2:45 PM Break		
2:45 - 4:45 PM Session V: AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION & RISK		
2:45 PM	Xuche Gong	Systemic Risk, Geography, and Area Insurance
3:15 PM	Yuyuan Che	Characterizing the Determinants of Seeding Rate Choices
3:45 PM	Asa Watten	Insurance and Inter-Season Cropping Decisions in an American Options Framework
4:15 PM	Yanan Jia	What Drives Dairy Farmer Antibiotic Treatment Decisions?
4:45 PM	Awards	Robert Myers