



# **Kentucky Economic Association**

## **2022 ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

### **CONFERENCE PROGRAM**

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*Northern Kentucky University  
Student Union Ballroom  
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Frank Scott is Gatton Professor of Economics at the University of Kentucky. Formerly he has been an Assistant Professor at Auburn University and Assistant and Associate Professor at the University of Kentucky. He graduated from the College of William and Mary in 1973, majoring in economics. He received the Ph.D. in economics from the University of Virginia in 1979. His teaching interests include microeconomic theory, industrial organization, managerial economics, and law and economics. His research interests include industrial organization, regulation of business, public policy, and applied

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**Conference Schedule**  
**Friday October 21, 2022**

**Registration and Welcome**

**8:15-9:00AM**

James C. and Rachel M. Votruba Student Union  
Ballroom  
Coffee and Danish Provided

**Concurrent Sessions A**

**9AM -10 AM Sessions**

**Session A1: Markets**

Room: 104

Chair: Usamah Al Farhan, Northern Kentucky University

Presenters:

Abeni El-Amin, Fort Hays State University  
Market-Based Structures as Applied to Not-For-Profit Organizations (NFP)

Stephen Locke, Western Kentucky University  
Crime Risk and Property Values: Evidence from Gunshot Incidents in Savannah

Thomas Lambert, University of Louisville  
US Gambling Stagnation: Will New Gambling Forms Make a Difference?

**Session A2: Risk and Outcomes**

Room: 107BC

Chair: Charles Hokayem, U.S. Census Bureau

Presenters:

Nicholas Graff, University of Kentucky  
Necessity vs. Opportunity Entrepreneurship: Entry and Performance of Job-losers and Moonlighters

Saani Rawat, University of Cincinnati  
Impact of COVID-19 on Jobs in Ohio's Healthcare Sector

Yeh Fang-Yu, University of Kentucky  
Map Updates and Flood Events on Kentucky's Housing Market

### **Session A3: Undergraduate Best Paper Session**

Room: 108

Chair: Chelsea Dowell and Alexandria Halmbacher

Presenters:

Owen Krahwinkel, Kentucky Wesleyan College  
Analysis of Variables Impacting the Household Income of People Living with HIV

Aro Rajaonah, Northern Kentucky University  
On Foreign Born Individuals and Self Employment: Study with American Community Survey Data

Greta Culler, Murray State University  
The Influence of Mathematical Ability and Mandatory Finance Classes in High School on the Consumer's Debt to Income Ratio

Vaughn Hall, Transylvania University  
An Analysis of Money and Entrepreneurship: Identifying the Problem, Weighing the Alternatives, and Proposing a Solution

Allyson Kunkle, Northern Kentucky University  
10 Data Visualization Describing Women and Self-Employment: All Questions and No Answers

### **Session A4: Disparities**

Room: 109

Chair: Chris Bollinger

Presenters:

Marissa Harstoe, University of Kentucky  
Disparities in Healthcare Utilization During the COVID-19 Pandemic

Justin Roush, Xavier University  
The Queen is Green: Female Corporate Leadership and Environmental Performance of the Firm

Daria Sevastianova, University of Kentucky  
Gender Differences in Views on Free Trade

**Concurrent Sessions B**  
**10:15am – 11:15am Sessions**

**Session B1: Returns**

Room: 104

Chair: David McClough, Northern Ohio University

Presenters:

Thomas Lambert, University of Louisville  
Gambling Opinions and Participation in Kentucky versus the Other 49 States

Christopher Biolsi, Western Kentucky University  
Buffer-Stock Saving in State Pension Funds

Beau Sauley, Murray State University Kentucky Wired:  
Returns to Education from Increasing High-Speed Internet Availability

**Session B2: Economic Education**

Room: 107BC

Chair: Darshak Patel

Presenters:

Scott Wolla, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis  
Monetary Policy Has Changed. Has Your Instruction?

Julia Paxton, Ohio University  
Attracting More Diverse Students into Economics

Jose Fernandez, University of Louisville  
Sentiment Analysis of Teaching Evaluations: Evidence from 8 million Rate My Professor Reviews

**Session B3: Property**

Room: 109

Chair: Justin Roush

Presenters:

Lucas Taulbee, University of Kentucky  
Property Tax Relief and Incidence: The Effects of Homestead Exemptions on Rental Housing Markets

Sam Glick, University of Kentucky  
State Merit Aid and Estimating the Shape of the Supply Curve of Higher Education

Vinh Dao, University of Kentucky  
Variation in Multigenerational Co-residence Across Public Use Microdata Areas: What Can We Learn?

**Concurrent Sessions C**

**11:30am – 12:30pm**

**Session C1: International Investment**

Room :104

Chair: Daria Savastianova

Presenters:

Tejas Ghirnikar, Western Kentucky University  
Has the IMF Overestimated the Effect of its Own Policies?

Amarendra Sahoo, Sai balaji Education  
Society Supply Chain Finance

Golnaz Baradaran Motie, Western Kentucky University  
Foreign Portfolio Investment and the Real Economy in the United Kingdom



**Session C2: Income**

Room: 107BC

Chair: Jose Fernandez

Presenters:

Chris Bollinger, University of Kentucky  
Income Source Confusion Using the SILC

Usamah Al Farhan, Northern Kentucky University  
Reading Between the Lines: The Asymmetric Mediation of Tourism Expenditure  
Intensity and Extensity

Charles Hokayem, US Census Bureau  
Modeling the 2021 Child Tax Credit in the CPS ASEC

**Session C3: Poverty and Growth**

Room: 108

Chair: Stephen Locke

Presenters:

David McClough, Ohio Northern University  
Inevitability of Crisis

Charles Nichols, Kentucky State University  
An Investigation of the Effect of Poverty on Elementary School Children and its Relation  
to Their Future Economic Success

Christopher Phillips, Somerset Community College  
COVID Inflation: Competing Keynesian Analyses

**Session C4: Undergraduate student networking career and advice**

Room: Ballroom

Chair: Alexandria Halmbacher

Panel:TBD

## Luncheon, Awards and Speaker

12:45 – 2

Student Union Ballroom

Awards

Dr. Frank Scott, Distinguished Kentucky Economist

Four Decades of UK's Ph.D. Program in Economics--An Eyewitness Account of Its Impact on Higher Education in the State and Region

## KEA Business Meeting- Open to all

2pm – 3pm

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