URPE Session # 1: Marxist Theory and Methodology I. Hegel-Marx Dialectics and Its Extensions

JEL codes: B1, B4, B51

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A Critique of the Circulationist Tendencies within the Social Paradigmatic Approach to Marx’s Theory of Value

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An Anti-Objective Unconcealment the Power of Money: An inquiry into Marx’s development of forms of value and beyond

Iren Levina, University of Massachusetts-Amherst, (ilevina@econs.umass.edu)
Towards a Dialectical Marxist Theory of Finance

Aaron Winslow, Columbia University (awwinslow@gmail.com)
The New Spirit of Marxism: Financial Politics, the Virtual Public, and the Return of a Hegelian Methodology of Resistance

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URPE Session # 2: Marxist Theory and Methodology II. Epistemology and Overdetermination: Post-Modern Marxism and Its Critiques

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Marx After the Letter: A Simple Lacanian Approach to Real Money

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Causation and Constitutivity: A Critical Appraisal of Marxian Overdetermination

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Oversimplification of Overdetermination: A Critique of Overdeterminist Marxism

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Epistemological categories in Marx: Is it really necessary to start from some micro-foundations?

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URPE Session # 3: Marxist Theory and Methodology III. Conceptualizing power and capital-labor relationship
JEL codes: B14, B5, J2

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On Theoretical Foundations of Autonomist Marxism

Johann Jaeckel, New School for Social Research (johann.jaeckel@googlemail.com)
Fetishism and Power in Heterodox Economic Thought: A Critique of the Efficiency Wage Model

Cameron M. Weber, New School for Social Research (weberc49@newschool.edu)
Karl Marx and The History of Economic Thought: Why the “Labor Theory Of Value”?

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Working day and labor market: a contribution to political economy

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URPE Session #4: Migration, the Real Wage, the Labor Market and Development

JEL Codes: O15, J31, J40

Organizers: Hasan Cömert and Scott Carter

Session Chair: Leanne Usher

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How Migration Affects the Inequality in Developing Countries: A Critique of the Kuznets Curve

Osmar Loiaza, Universidad de Antioquia (Colombia), (osmarllq@yahoo.com)
The Real Wage Rate and Economic Performance in Colombia: A Demand-Led Growth Perspective

Luis F. Brunstein, Georgetown University (lfb23@georgetown.edu)
The Crisis-Driven Development Conundrum

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Labor Market Institutions, the Cost of Job Loss, and the Phillips Curve

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URPE Session #5: Issues in Public Policy
JEL Code: J68, J88, I18

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Session Chair: J. W. Mason

Presenters:

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The Optimum Unemployment Rate

Jeannette Wicks-Lim, Political Economy Research Institute, UMASS (wickslim@peri.umass.edu)
Policy Considerations to Guarantee Workers Decent Standard of Living

Tom Masterson, Ajit Zacharias, and Kijong Kim, Levy Economics Institute of Bard College (mastero@levy.org)

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URPE Session #6: Roundtable on Alternative Theories of Competition: Theory

JEL codes: D2, D3, D5

Organizers: Jamee Moudud and Scott Carter

Session Chair: Cyrus Bina

Presenters:

William Lazonick, University of Massachusetts-Lowell (william_lazonick@uml.edu)
The Theory of Innovative Enterprise and the Illogical Monopoly Model

Cyrus Bina, University of Minnesota-Morris (binac@morris.umn.edu):
Capitalist Competition and Global Oil: Why Is Mainstream Economic Theory Neither True nor False?

Jamee K. Moudud, Sarah Lawrence College (jmoudud@slc.edu)
Oxford Studies in Pricing: A New Interpretation

Scott Carter, The University of Tulsa (scott-carter@utulsa.edu)
Sraffa and the theory of the firm: Some evidence from Sraffa’s unpublished Lecture Notes on the Advanced Theory of Value (1927-1931)

Discussants:

Amongst Participants
URPE Session #7: Roundtable on Alternative Theories of Competition: Evidence

JEL codes: D2, D3, D5

Organizers: Jamee Moudud and Scott Carter

Session Chair: Cyrus Bina

Presenters:

John Weeks School of Oriental & African Studies, London (jw10@soas.ac.uk)
The Effectiveness of Monetary Policy Reconsidered

Fred Lee University of Missouri-Kansas City (leefs@umkc.edu)
Heterodox pricing theory: accountancy rules, competition, and mark up pricing

John Sarich, New York City Department of Finance (sarich@jgc.org) and Jason Hecht Ramapo College (jayhecht@gmail.com)
Are Megafirms Competitive? Empirical Tests Using the Nonfinancial Dow Jones Industrial Average Firms.

Persefoni Tsaliki, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece (ptsaliki@econ.auth.gr) and Lefteris Tsoulfidis, University of Macedonia, Greece (ptsaliki@econ.auth.gr):
Classical Competition and Regulating Capital: Theory and Empirical Evidence

Discussants:

Amongst Participants
URPE Session #8: On the 50th Anniversary of Piero Sraffa’s *Production of Commodities by Means of Commodities*

JEL code: B24

Organizers: Matias Vernengo and Scott Carter

Session Chair: Matias Vernengo

Presenters:

Scott Carter, University of Tulsa (scott-carter@utulsa.edu)
On the Discovery of the Standard Commodity: Sraffa, Marx, and the ‘Corrected’ Organic Composition of Capital (as revealed through Archival Evidence)

Franklin Serrano, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro (franklinserrano@gmail.com)
Sraffa and Effective Demand

Matias Vernengo, University of Utah (vernengo@economics.utah.edu)
Sraffa and the Open Economy

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URPE Session # 9: Central Banking and the Current Financial Crisis

JEL Codes: E52, E58, G01

Organizer: Hasan Cömert

Session Chair: Deepankar Basu

Presenters:

Marc Lavoie, University of Ottawa (Marc.Lavoie@uottawa.ca)
Central Banks in Chaotic Times

J.W. Mason, University of Massachusetts, Amherst (jwmasonnyc@gmail.com)
Is this what a Credit Crisis looks like?

Hasan Cömert, University of Massachusetts, Amherst (hcomert@gmail.com)
Did the Fed Trigger the US Financial Crisis of 2008?

Luis Daniel Rosero, University of Massachusetts, Amherst (luisrosero@gmail.com)
Insuring against Neighboring Crises: Contagion and the Reserve Accumulation Decision by Latin American Central Banks

Discussants:

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 URPE Session # 10: Keynesian Financial Architecture

JEL Codes: E12

Organizers: Marie Duggan and Scott Carter

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Would Global Imbalances have been prevented by Keynes’ 1941 Draft ICU?

Leanne Usher, Queens College, CUNY (leanne.ussher@qc.cuny.edu)
Kaldor’s 1964 Proposal for a Global Monetary and Fiscal Framework

Marcelo Milan, University of Wisconsin – Parkside (milan@uwp.edu)
Liquidity Preference, Coordination Failures, and Systemic Risk

Mohamad Shaaf, University of Central Oklahoma (mshaaf@uco.edu)
An Inter-Active Simulation Model of the LTRPF, Its Link to the Rate of Surplus-Value, and Capital Accumulation

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URPE Session # 11: Agricultural Economics

JEL Codes: Q15, Q18

Organizers: Hasan Tekguc and Hasan Cömert

Session Chair: Charalampos Konstantinidis

Presenters:

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The Political Myth of Land Privatization in China

Zhaochang Peng, University of Massachusetts-Amherst (pengzhaochang@gmail.com)
From Bless to Curse: Releasing and Absorbing Agricultural Surplus Labor in Maoist and Post-Mao China

Hasan Tekguc, University of Massachusetts-Amherst (hastek@econs.umass.edu)
Importance of Food Self-Provisioning for Food Security of Rural Households

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Market Failure and Land Concentration

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URPE Session # 12: Gender, the Household Division of Labor, and Trade Policies

JEL Codes: F14, D13, B15

Organizers: Hasan Cömert and Scott Carter

Session Chair: Luis Brunstein

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The Role of Trade Policies in Industrial Performance: A Comparative Analysis of Turkey and Malaysia

Zhoachang Peng, University of Massachusetts-Amherst (pengzhaochang@gmail.com)  
The Tragedy of 'Quantitative Poverty Reduction': An Analysis of What Has Gone Wrong with Rural Poverty Reduction in Post-Mao China"

Ana Maria Takahashi, University of Utah (Picioreaa@hotmail.com)  
Gender Salary Differences in Economics Departments in Japan

Yasemin Dildar, University of Massachusetts-Amherst (yasemindildar@gmail.com)  
Institutional Approaches to Technology and Economic History

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URPE Session # 13: Ecology Development and Justice

JEL Codes: Q56, Q58

Organizers: Charalampos Konstantinidis

Session Chair: Hasan Tekguc

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Interrogating the Turkish State and Sustainable Development: The GEF Experience

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The Relationship between Ecology and Trade: Proposal for a Theoretical Framework

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When Everybody Cares…: Environmental Technocratism and (the need for) Radical Ecological Economics

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URPE Session # 14: Heterodox Theories of Macroeconomic Distribution and Growth

JEL Codes: E11, E12, B51

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Testing for Classical Theory of Competition: Evidence from Turkish Manufacturing

Marie Duggan, Keene State University (mduggan@keene.edu)
Through a Mahalanobis Lens: Economic Growth in Colonial California, 1770-1810

Joao Paulo A. de Souza and Ben Zipperer, University of Massachusetts – Amherst (desouza.jpa@gmail.com)
Integrating neo-Keynesian and neo-Marxian Theories of Distribution

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