



Ben Li, Julie Mortimer join BC Economics faculty

Eight Ph.D.'s Awarded in

Economics graduates garner A&S awards

The Economics Undergraduate Honors Pro-

We had 17 students complete senior theses,

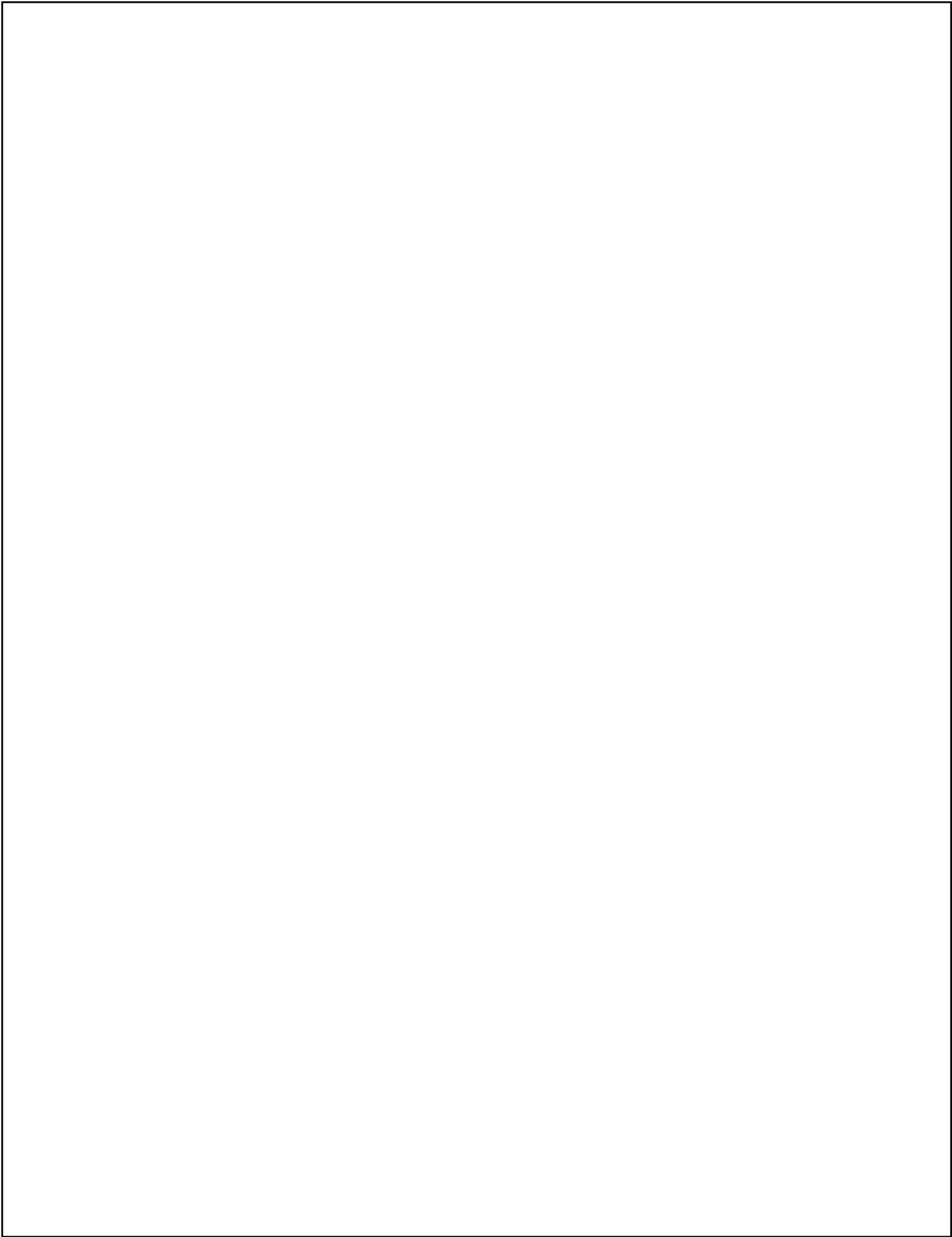
a team to compete in the Federal Reserve Challenge competition. We also sponsored lunch gatherings with the Boston College chapter of Omicron Delta Epsilon, the national honor society for economics, for students and faculty to discuss economic policy issues of current interest. ODE also held information sessions on job and graduate school opportunities for economics majors.

The Alice E. Bourneuf Award, recognizing the top economics student (by GPA) who has also written an excellent thesis went to Kathleen Iannone. Kathleen's thesis, advised by Frank Gollop, was entitled "Green Skies: Effects of Environmental Taxation on the U.S. Domestic Airline Industry." She analyzed

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as co-advisor of the Boston College team for the College Fed Challenge, and he obtained renewed funding from Boston College's Institute for the Liberal Arts for the seminar series on International Economic Policy and Political Economy for academic year 2011-12. The IEPPE series, featuring a number of

tion of the University, and has been covered in the Boston College Annual Report, distributed to Trustees and major donors. An article on the series is also scheduled to appear in the . Fabio continued to advise a large number of graduate and undergraduate students on their research projects. He also worked on his research and, most important, enjoyed his family: Fabio and Katrina welcomed the arrival of their son, Francesco, in December 2010. Last but not least, Fabio continued to follow the Boston College men's hockey team: No national championship in 2011 ("only" Beanpot and Hockey East Champs), but the new season is coming soon, and, with it, the opportunity

Stefan Hoderlein published "Non-parametric el data", with Enno Mammen and Kyusang Yu, in 14, 2011.

Peter Ireland published "A New Keynesian Perspective on the Great Recession" appears in the February 2011 issue of the

, and "Theology, Economics, and Economic Development" appears in

, a volume edited by Catherine Cornille and Glenn Willis that collects papers presented at last year's conference, sponsored jointly by BC's Economics and Theology Departments. Also in 2011, Peter joined the Shadow Open Market Committee, an independent organization founded in 1973 by Karl Brunner and Allan Meltzer that evalu-

ates and critiques Federal Reserve and other U.S. macroeconomic policies.

Hideo Konishi reports the following publication activities: "Contributing or Free-Riding? Voluntary Participation in a Public Good Economy", (with Taiji Furusawa), *Theoretical Economics* 6, 219-256 (2011), forthcoming

maker", (with ABD **Chiu-Yu Ko**), forthcoming in and "Referrals in Search Markets", (with Maria Arbatskaya), forthcoming in

Hideo presented "Choosing a Licensee among Heterogeneous Rivals" at the Public Economic Theory Conference 2011 in Bloomington, June 2011. He serves on the editorial boards of

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Arthur Lewbel's publications in 2011 included two articles in the

a Binary Random Factor in Cross Section Data," coauthored with **Yingying Dong** (PhD'09), and "Estimating Features of a Distribution From Binomial Data," coauthored with Oliver Linton and Nobel laureate Daniel McFadden. Arthur gave a "State of the Art" invited lecture at the 2011 Canadian Economic Association Conference in Ottawa on the topic of "Binary Choice With Endogenous or Mismeasured Regressors." He also gave presentations at the Asian Meetings of the Econometric Society in Seoul, the Royal Economic Society meetings in London, The Society of Labor Economics meetings in Vancouver, a conference on Consumer Demand at MIT, and an Economics of the Family Conference in honor of Gary Becker in Paris.

Frank McLaughlin's paper "Economics and Religion: A Theoretical Problem," was pub-

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Cheney Fund Expands Student Support

Thanks to more than 20 years of generous of the late Professor Robert Cheney, S.J., we were able to make eight Cheney Scholarship Awards this year, the most ever, to senior Economics majors with strong academic records. Here is a little about the academic and public service interests of each.

Giovanni Chapa-Cerviatti is a CSOM student, with concentrations in Finance and Economics, who spent the fall 2010 semester studying in Vallendar, Germany. He volunteers as a college leader at Sociedad Latina, helping underprivileged students get to college. Last summer, he worked for Google's

and hopes to return to Google as a fulltime employee or enter the consulting industry.

Mikolaj Gawlik is a Slavic Studies and Economics double major, is in the College of Arts and Sciences Honors Program, and is also scheduled to receive an M.A. in Higher Education from the Lynch School in 2013. Mikolaj directs the BC chapter of Let's Get Ready, a free, student-run SAT-prep course for underprivileged high school students. The previous two summers, Mikolaj worked The u-

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Neslihan Ozkan (Ph.D '98) published "CEO Compensation and Firm Performance: An Empirical Investigation of UK Panel Data" in

Tairi Rõõm (PhD'04) published "Downward Nominal and Real Wage Rigidity: Survey Evidence from European Firms," with Jan Babecky et al., in

Margarita Rubio (Ph.D '08) published "Fixed and Variable Rate Mortgages, Business Cycles, and Monetary Policy" in

Soner Tunay (PhD'01) is now Basel Program Director at CitizensBank in Boston, heading the Economic Capital mod-

Maurizio Zanardi (PhD'02) published "Trade Liberalization and Antidumping: Is There a Substitution Effect?", with Michael O. Moore, in

Francesco Zanetti (PhD'04) published "Labour Policy Instruments and Cyclical Behaviour of Vacancies and Unemployment" in

Natalia Zhivan (PhD'09) is a Research Assistant Professor, Department of Global Health System and Development, Tulane University. Her forthcoming publications include "Ethnic/Race Differences in the Attrition of Older American Survey Respondents: Implications for Race/Ethnic Health Disparities Research," Zhivan et al., ; "U.S.

Information Technology," Zhivan et al., ; "Evaluation of the 'Lose Your Excuse' Public Service Advertising Campaign for Tweens to Save Energy", Goldman et al., ; and "How the Risk of Displacement for Older Workers Has Changed," with **Mauricio Soto** (PhD'08), Steven Sass, and **Alicia Munnell**, forthcoming in

