

PRESS RELEASE



The American Economic Association (AEA) announces the publication of four new economics journals edited and produced on Pittsburgh's South Side.

The first issues of the American Economic Journals contain timely articles on the credit crisis; unemployment during recession; and education, specifically, the impact of computers on math achievement.

Authors include Nobel Prize winners and economists who have been published in the *New York Times* and the *Wall Street Journal*, among other publications.

Some of the nation's most prominent economists are affiliated with the American Economic Journals, which cover the fields of applied economics, macroeconomics, microeconomics, and economic policy. Since the launch of these journals:

- President Barack Obama named *American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics* Board Editor Christina D. Romer as Chairwoman of the Council of Economic Advisers.
- The Editor of the *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics* has been named one of the top 8 young economists by the *Economist* and one of the top 100 intellectual thinkers by *Prospect* and *Foreign Policy* magazines. She is also one of the youngest women ever to lecture at Collège de France, one of France's most prestigious institutions.
- In September, Olivier Blanchard, founding Editor of the *American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics*, was appointed to the post of Economic Counsellor and Director of Research at the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

In 2004, the AEA decided to choose one city to be the home for all of its publications. The Association also publishes the *American Economic Review*, the world's top-ranked economics journal; the *Journal of Economic Literature*; and the *Journal of Economic Perspectives*. Pittsburgh was chosen over other cities where the AEA had a presence, in part, because the city already housed the AEA's office that produces EconLit, the foremost online bibliography in Economics.

Since 2004, the staff has more than doubled, from 13 to 29 full-time employees.

The AEA Publications Office will hold an open house and reception to mark the first issues of the American Economic Journals at 4 p.m. February 19 in the South Side offices, 2403 Sidney Street, Suite 260, Pittsburgh, PA 15203. For more information, contact Michelle DeBlasi, managing editor of the American Economic Journals at 412-432-2310 or mdeblasi@aeapubs.org.

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