

ECONOMIC GEOGRAPHY SPECIALTY GROUP
Annual Report 2017
(Submitted 31 Oct 2017)

1) MISSION STATEMENT

The objectives of the Economic Geography Specialty Group (EGSG) are to facilitate intellectual debate and the exchange of information among its members and other specialists: to stimulate research, teaching, and applications in economic geography; to aid in the advancement of its members and of the field of economic geography; to represent economic geography within the geographic discipline and to related disciplines, agencies in government, the private sector, and the general public; and to maintain relations with other similar organizations.

2) DUES INFORMATION

Dues are \$10 and \$3 for students.

3) OFFICERS

Chair (2017-2018):

Jennifer Clark, Georgia Institute of Technology, USA

Secretary/Treasurer and Vice-chair (2017 to 2018) and Chair (2019 – 2020)

Peter Kedron, Oklahoma State University, USA

At-large board members (2016-2017)

C. Patrick Heidkamp, Southern Connecticut State University, USA

Harrison Campbell, University of North Carolina-Charlotte, USA

At-large board members (2017-2018):

Abigail Cooke, University at Buffalo, SUNY, USA

Kean Fan Lim, University of Nottingham, UK

Student representative (2017):

Andrew Hoyt, University of North Texas, USA

Terms for EGSG officers begin in January.

4) CORE ACTIVITIES

1. EGSG student awards

The CFP is sent out in January with a deadline early enough to allow us to review and make decisions in advance of AAG)

Three: Awards: Dissertation Award, Graduate Research Award, and AAG Paper Award

The Board divides up review.

2. EGSG Annual Business Meeting at AAG

Chair schedules this in coordination with AAG staff.

3. EGSG Announcement of student awards (and letters to winners and non-winners)

Chair sends that out in advance of the AAG meeting and we generally comp award lunch tickets for award winners (and a member of the Board attends the AAG award lunch as well)

4. AAG Call for EGSG Sponsorship of organized sessions.

Usually sent out in September — typically managed by Vice Chair.

We send a final list of EGSG sponsored sessions and events to the listserv in advance of the conference. We are revisiting the necessity of that now that there is a searchable app.

3. EGSG election call

Usually sent by Chair in early Nov and results announced in early Jan.

4. EGSG election (send ballot out in early Dec so that new board is in place by Jan 1).

5. Roepke Lecture call (an AAG special lecture)

Jim Murphy at Clark is the editor of *Economic Geography* and generally is in touch on this as we want to do by collection of suggestions from EGSG community but have the journal - *Economic Geography* - and EGSG board make the decision)

Additionally, we do sponsor some slots at the Economic Geography Summer Institute at the requests of the organizers.

Also, we do organize special panels and such at AAG as circumstances/opportunities come up.

4) ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- 1) The Boston meeting in April 2017 marked the first gathering of the following new members of the board:

- Abigail Cooke
- Kean Fan Lim
- Andrew Hoyt

EGSG members thanked them for their willingness to serve the community.

The EGSG also thanked Chair: Robin Leichenko, Rutgers University, USA, At-Large Board

Member: Anne Bonds, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, USA, Student

Representative: Jessa Loomis, University of Kentucky, USA, and At-Large Board Member

now serving as EGSG's Vice Chair: Peter Kedron

- 2) The Economic Geography Specialty Group business meeting was held during the AAG meeting on Friday, 4/7/2017, from 11:50 AM - 1:10 PM in Back Bay Ballroom A, Sheraton, Second Floor.

3) 2016 Student Award Winners:

Graduate Student Research Award:

Kesley Johnson, Department of Geography, University of British Columbia

Dissertation Research: *Blood money: race and capital in the US blood plasma industry*

Graduate Student Paper Award:

Thomas Loder, Texas A&M University

Paper: *Homo Dakoticus: The Creation of Energy Citizens in North Dakota*

Dissertation Award:

Dr. Luis Felipe Alvarez León, Sol Price Center for Social Innovation at the USC Price School of Public Policy

Dissertation Title: *Assembling Digital Economies: Geographic Information Markets and Intellectual Property Regimes in the United States and the European Union*

Department of Geography, University of California, Los Angeles

Dissertation Co-Chairs: Allen J. Scott and Eric Sheppard

Please note that the deadline for submissions for next year's competition will be March 2, 2018.

- 4) EGSG Sponsorships: At the Boston Meeting of the AAG, the EGSG supported multiple individual paper sessions and panel sessions. EGSG has also institutionalized a process for panel sponsorship.
- 5) The EGSG continues to work with partner organizations to ensure the success of the Roepke Lecture in Economic Geography. The steering group comprises (a) the chair of the EGSG (b) an editor from *Economic Geography* and (c) a representative from the Department of Geography at the University of Illinois (the sponsoring department) and oversee the lecture program.
 - a. The 2017 Roepke Lecture: **The Roepke Lecture in Economic Geography: "From Exploitation to Expropriation: Geographies of Racialization in Historical Capitalism" - Nancy Fraser - The New School for Social Research (Sponsored by Economic Geography Specialty Group)**
 - b. The 2018 Roepke Lecture will be presented by Katherine Gibson. Dr. Gibson was selected to give the talk following a nominations process.
- 6) The EGSG will support one junior scholar to attend the Summer Institute in Economic Geography, which will be held in at the University of Ghent, Belgium in July 2018. The scholar will be awarded \$500.
- 7) The Facebook page for the Specialty Group can be found at <http://www.facebook.com/AAGegsg>.
- 8) The EGSG website is located at <https://egsgaag.wordpress.com>

5) Membership and Participation

The Specialty Group is in good health, with 808 members in March 2017 and 923 members of the specialty group community as of October 2017. The EGSG is one of the largest and most active of the AAG's specialty groups.

6) Financial Report

The EGSG account balance as of August 31, 2017 is \$2,289

The accounts, which are managed by the AAG, are summarized in a financial report at Appendix A.

Jennifer Clark, Georgia Tech (*Chair*)
Peter Kedron, University of Oklahoma (*Secretary/Treasurer and Vice-chair*)
October 2017

Association of American Geographers

Specialty Groups Financial Report

August 31, 2017

Economic Geography Specialty Group

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Disbursements</u>	<u>Balance</u>
8/31/15	<i>Balance forward</i>			\$ 1,54
9/30/15	Dues Collected for Sept 2015	159.00		1,70
10/31/15	Dues Collected for Oct 2015	696.00		2,40
11/30/15	Dues collected for Nov. 2015	152.00		2,55
12/31/15	Dues collected for Dec. 2015	257.00		2,81
1/31/16	Dues collected for Jan. 2016	177.00		2,99
2/29/16	Dues collected for Feb. 2016	149.00		3,13
3/29/16	AM16 Awards Luncheon		(165.00)	2,97
3/28/16	Krishan - Best Student Paper in Economic Geography		(200.00)	2,77
3/24/16	van der Wouden - Travel award		(250.00)	2,52
3/25/16	Webber - Best Dissertation in Economic Geography		(500.00)	2,02
3/25/16	Hashimoto - Grad Research Award In Economic Geography		(750.00)	1,27
3/31/16	Dues collected for March	141.00		1,41
4/26/16	Glasmeyer - Honorarium for Roepke lecture		(250.00)	1,16
4/30/16	Dues collected for April	113.00		1,27
5/31/16	Dues collected for May	118.00		1,39
6/30/16	Cookson - travel award		(250.00)	1,14
6/30/16	Dues collected for June	68.00		1,21
7/31/16	Dues collected for July	95.00		1,30
8/31/16	Dues collected for Aug	97.00		1,40
8/31/16	Balance			1,40
8/31/16	<i>Balance forward</i>			\$ 1,40
9/30/16	Dues Collected for Sept 2016	200.50		1,60
10/31/16	Dues Collected for Oct 2016	778.00		2,38
11/30/16	Dues collected for Nov 2016	277.00		2,66
12/31/16	Dues collected for Dec 2016	150.00		2,81
1/31/17	Dues collected for Jan 2017	188.00		2,99
2/28/17	Dues collected for Feb 2017	109.50		3,10
3/31/17	Dues collected for March 2017	94.00		3,20
4/5/17	AM17 Luncheon		(110.00)	3,09
4/5/17	Alvarez Leon - Best Dissertation in Economic Geography		(500.00)	2,59
4/17/17	Loder - Best Student Paper in Economic Geography		(200.00)	2,39
4/17/17	Johnson - Graduate Research Award in Economic Geography		(750.00)	1,64
4/30/17	Dues collected for April 2017	91.00		1,73
5/31/17	Dues collected for May 2017	103.00		1,83
6/30/17	Dues collected for June 2017	94.00		1,93
7/31/17	Dues collected for July 2017	60.00		1,99
8/1/17	VOID CK#20555 dated 3/28/2016 for A. Krishan and return to SG	200.00		2,19
8/31/17	Dues Collected for Aug 2017	98.00		2,28
8/31/17	Balance			2,28

