

## CALL FOR PAPERS

Chinese Economists Society 2019 North America Conference

April 6-7, 2019

Lawrence, KS, USA

**Sponsors:** Department of Economics, University of Kansas and School of Economics, Henan University

The Chinese Economists Society (CES) calls for papers for the 2019 North America Conference, to be held at the University of Kansas, KS, April 6-7 (Saturday and Sunday), 2019. The local host for the conference is **the Department of Economics at University of Kansas (KU)**. The theme of the conference is **“Advanced Macroeconomics, Econometrics and Financial Economics: Theory, Methods and Applications”**. The conference includes invited keynote speakers and invited speakers, roundtable forums, and parallel sessions. Arrival and registration of participants will start in the afternoon of April 5. All talks and sessions are on April 6 and 7.

Confirmed keynote speakers include:

- **Dr. William Barnett:** The Charles Oswald Distinguished Professor of macroeconomics, University of Kansas, Director of Center for Financial Stability in New York, the President of Society for Economic Measurement, and the Editor for *Macroeconomic Dynamics*;
- **Xiaohong Chen:** The Malcolm K. Brachman Professor of Economics at Yale University and the Co-Editor for *Journal of Econometrics*;
- **Dr. Jerry Hausman:** The John and Jennie S. MacDonald Professor of Economics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a notable econometrician;
- **Dr. Cheng Hsiao:** Professor of Economics at University of Southern California and a notable econometrician;
- **Dr. Guofu Zhou:** The Frederick Bierman and James E. Spears Professor of Finance at Olin Business School at Washington University in St. Louis,

and the confirmed invited speakers include:

- **Dr. Marcelle Chauvel:** Professor of Economics at University of California at Riverside and the Director for the International Association for Applied Econometrics (Present);
- **Shigeru Iwata:** Professor of Economics at University of Kansas;
- **Hongbin Li:** Senior Fellow at the Institute of Economic Policy Research at Stanford and the James Liang Director of the China Program at Stanford Center on Global Poverty and Development;
- **Dr. Jun Ma:** Associate Professor of Economics at Northeastern University;
- **Dr. Jun Nie:** Senior economists at Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City;
- **Dr. Christopher Otrok:** Sam B. Cook Professor of Economics at University of Missouri at Columbia and the Coordinating Editor for *Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control*;
- **Dr. Yong Zeng:** Professor of Statistics at University of Missouri at Kansas City.

This conference aims to serve multiple purposes. First, it is the annual conference for the CES in North America and it will promote academic exchanges related to the Chinese economy in a North American venue. It also provides professional development opportunities for doctoral candidates in North America who work on China-related research and/or are interested in China-based employments. This conference will offer a focus-group panel session and other extended activities for these candidates. We encourage participating institutions, especially Chinese universities to recruit at the conference for new faculty and pursue visiting opportunities in North America for their faculty members. This conference also encourages student participation by offering one Gregory Chow Best Paper Award, travel subsidies, and valuable opportunities for students to network with experienced scholars.

Secondly, this conference will be combined with the annual Kansas Econometrics Workshop meeting, which is held at KU yearly and focuses on recent developments of econometric theories and methodologies as well as applications in both economics and finance. The main purpose of this workshop is to promote methodological and theoretical research as well as applications in modern econometrics and to provide a forum for researchers to come together to interact through presentations and discussions.

Finally, this conference is in memory of and in honor of the former CES member of Board of Directors (2016-2017), Professor Shu Wu, a professor of macroeconomics and financial economics and associate chair of Department of Economics at KU, who passed away on May 31, 2018 after a long battle with cancer. Professor Wu got his M.S. and B.S. in Management Science and Mechanics, respectively from Beijing University in 1990 and his Ph.D. in economics from Stanford University in 2000. He joined KU after his graduation from Stanford as an assistant professor and he was promoted to an associate professor in 2007. His research areas included macroeconomics, finance and applied time series econometrics. He published many papers in macroeconomics and finance, including some in the top economics journals. For those who will attend the conference with or without presentation in honor of Shu, please contact with Professor Jun Ma (one of the former co-authors of Professor Wu) at [ju.ma@northeastern.edu](mailto:ju.ma@northeastern.edu) who will organize sessions to memorize and honor Professor Wu who made great contributions in his academic life.

## PAPER SUBMISSIONS

The CES invites both members and non-members to submit papers and/or to propose organized sessions at the 2019 CES North America Conference. All fields of specialization within Economics will be considered, but papers with close relevance to the theme or the Chinese economy or in memory of Professor Shu Wu will be given preference. The abstract submission deadline is **December 31, 2018**.

Those interested in presenting a paper at the conference need to submit an abstract of no more than 400 words with title, author name(s), JEL code(s), and keywords via the CES website at <https://www.china-ces.org/Conferences/ConferenceDefault.aspx?ID=50>. Submitters will be notified via e-mail by January 15, 2019 as to whether your abstract is accepted for presentation.

If you would like to organize one or more sessions on a specific topic and have speakers/presenters lined up, please submit your proposal to Zongwu CAI, for his approval at [zongwucai@gmail.com](mailto:zongwucai@gmail.com) by **December 15, 2018**. Each organized session should consist of four individual papers. Proposals should contain a tentative name of the session, titles of papers along with their abstracts, as well as names of session presenters and discussants with their e-mails. Please note that papers included in a session must still go through the regular paper submission process through the CES website to be included into the program.

## Important Dates

Date	
December 15, 2018	Organized session proposal submission deadline (submit proposals to Zongwu Cai at <a href="mailto:zongwucai@gmail.com">zongwucai@gmail.com</a> )
December 31, 2018	Abstract submission deadline for both individual presenters and presenters of proposed organized sessions (submit via the CES website at <a href="https://www.china-ces.org/Conferences/ConferenceDefault.aspx?ID=50">https://www.china-ces.org/Conferences/ConferenceDefault.aspx?ID=50</a> )
January 15, 2019	Notification of decision

## GREGORY CHOW BEST PAPER AWARD

We will select an outstanding paper presented at the 2019 CES North America conference for the Gregory Chow Best Paper Award. To be eligible for consideration for this prestigious award, the primary author (According to the American Psychological Association, the primary author “assumes responsibility for the publication, making sure that the data are accurate, that all deserving authors have been credited, that all authors have given their approval to the final draft; and handles responses to inquiries after the manuscript is published.”) of the paper must be a graduate student or a junior scholar who received his/her PhD within the last five years (no earlier than May 2014). The award winner will receive a certificate and a US\$1,000 prize. Persons interested in being considered for the Award must provide information confirming eligibility at the time of submission. Graduate students’ electronic submissions should be followed up by a letter on official university stationery from a professor certifying that the submitter is a graduate student in good standing. An electronic version of this letter should be signed and emailed by the professor to Dr. Xiaoguang (Shawn) NI at [Ni@missouri.edu](mailto:Ni@missouri.edu) by **February 28, 2019**.

## PUBLICATIONS

The CES plans to select a group of high-quality papers presented at the conference for special issues at journals such as *China Economic Review* and *Emerging Market Finance and Trade*. Papers submitted for consideration of the special issue still need to go through regular review process. Details about these publication opportunities will be provided later.

## TRAVEL SUPPORT AND REGISTRATION WAIVERS

Limited travel subsidy of up to \$500 per person are available to presenting authors. Preference will be given to students or junior faculty (received their doctoral degree May 2014 or later). Recipients of the travel fund must be CES members who are current on dues while new members may receive priority. Eligible presenters may indicate their interest in applying for the travel subsidy when responding to the decision regarding their abstract submission.

With the generous support from the Department of Economics, registration waivers are available with preference given to KU students, and non-KU presenting students as well as those who are just coming to memorize Professor Wu.

Applicants for travel subsidy and/or registration waivers need to apply for the support by indicating their interest and providing appropriate documentations by February 1, 2019. Decisions will be sent to applicants by February 15, 2019.

## REGISTRATION

All presenters and conference attendees must register for the Conference. Registration should be made online through the conference page at [www.china-ces.org](http://www.china-ces.org) under “Conferences”. Please note that registration fees are non-refundable. **ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST REGISTER BY MARCH 23 TO BE INCLUDED INTO THE FINAL PROGRAM.**

You can join the CES and become a member here: <http://www.china-ces.org/AboutCES/Default.aspx?title=Join%20CES>. Regular membership is \$40 per year while student membership is \$15 per year.

### Registration Fee Schedule

	Before or on Feb. 28 <sup>th</sup> , 2019	After Feb. 28 <sup>th</sup> , 2019
Regular CES member	US \$100	US \$150
Non-CES member	US \$150	US \$200
Student CES member	US \$50	US \$120
Student Non-CES member	US \$80	US \$180

## LODGING INFORMATION

A large block of hotel rooms is being held at the Hilton until March 6, **Double Tree by Hilton Hotel Lawrence**, 200 McDonald Drive, Lawrence, Kansas, 66044, +1 (785) 841-7077. Please use this link to book with special rate: <http://group.doubletree.com/KUDeptEconomics> (reserve by March 6th to receive discounted rate \$119/night).

Other hotels are also available but there is no block rate for them, including **Days Inn by Wyndham KU Lawrence**, 730 South Iowa Street Lawrence, Kansas 66044, Tel: (785) 841-6500 and **Baymont by Wyndham Lawrence**, 740 Iowa Street Lawrence, Kansas 66044, Tel: (785) 371-0165.

## TRANSPORTATION FROM THE AIRPORT

Lawrence, Kansas is about 50 minutes from the Kansas City Airport (Note that the Airport Code is MCI and the airport is located in Kansas City, Missouri) via Shuttle Transportation (about \$85 to \$95 one-way). Schedule and booking of the shuttles are available on several websites:

1. KCIBATS: <http://kcibats.com/college.php> (Tel: (913) 634-5484 or (913) 575-3185 or E-mail: [reservations@kcibats.com](mailto:reservations@kcibats.com)).
2. GTI Taxi: <http://www.gtislawrence.com/> (Tel: (785) 842-8294 or 1-888-467-3729).
3. Arrival Shuttle: <https://arivalshuttle.com/>.
4. SDM Transportation: [reservation@sdmtransportation.com](mailto:reservation@sdmtransportation.com) or 785-979-2428

## CONFERENCE TRANSPORTATION

A shuttle bus from the hotels to the KU campus (and vice versa) will be provided.

## **CONTACT INFORMATION:**

Inquiries should be sent to:

- Dr. Zongwu CAI at [zongwucai@gmail.com](mailto:zongwucai@gmail.com) for academic matters;
- Dr. Jianbo ZHANG at [jbzhang@ku.edu](mailto:jbzhang@ku.edu) general information;
- Dr. Jun MA at [ju.ma@northeastern.edu](mailto:ju.ma@northeastern.edu) for memory of Professor Shu Wu.