A Note from the Chair of the Department of Economics

This has been a challenging year for all of us. Here at Pitt Econ, the pandemic forces us to transition from engaged classroom learning to a flexible hybrid mix of in-person and online engagement with our students. A mode of teaching and learning that is new to all of us. Through it all, the students have been terrific --- they have been flexible and understanding as we’ve learned to teach in this new environment. The faculty and staff have also risen to the occasion, revamping classes and working overtime to provide opportunities for our students to excel while continuing to conduct research that impacts lives around the world in new and critical ways. This commitment to excellence in the face of adversity is just one reason why Pitt remains a world-class institution.

As the Pitt community continues through these turbulent times, your support is needed now more than ever. You can help ensure the University and the Economics Department have the resources needed to continue our important work of providing life-changing opportunities for our students, researchers, faculty, and staff. Please donate to the Department of Economics. Your gift will allow us to continue providing new opportunities for students and faculty excel.

Stay safe as we look forward to a New Year!

David Huffman
Faculty Spotlight - Lise Vesterlund

Lise Vesterlund, Andrew W. Mellon Professor of Economics, gave the keynote address titled, The Effect of Task Assignment on Compensation and Negotiation, at the global meeting of the Economics Science Association.

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Alumni Spotlight - John Kraft

John Kraft received his PhD in Economics in 1971. He was a Brookings Institution Economic Policy Fellow and held positions at several federal agencies. For the past 30 years, he has been the Dean at the University of Florida. Discover the reasons behind why Dr. Kraft decided to pursue a career in economics.

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We want to reconnect with you. We are interested in learning about how you are doing and what is new and exciting in your life. Update us on career advancements, educational accomplishments, activities, honors, and awards. We also would love to hear how you would like to stay connected and involved with the department.

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MQE Career Chats

Throughout the fall term, students in the MS in Quantitative Economics (MQE) Program facilitated weekly professional development chats with industry leaders.

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Doctoral Student Spotlight

Kelly Hyde is a fifth-year PhD student in economics at Pitt specializing in environmental, health, and behavioral economics. Kelly shares his thoughts on his initial visit to Pitt, his experience with the community, and future job prospects.

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