

Announcements

ECONOMIC HISTORY ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE. The annual meeting of the Economic History Association, to be held in Evanston, Illinois, on September 24–26, 2010, will focus on the theme “Thinking Comparatively: Economic and Historical Perspectives on Places, Periods, and Institutions.”

Graduate students are encouraged to attend the meeting. The Association offers subsidies for travel, hotel, registration, and meals, including a special dinner for graduate students. A poster session welcomes work from dissertations in progress. Applications for the poster session are due no later than May 21, 2010, and should be sent to timothy.guinnane@yale.edu. The dissertation session convened by Eric Hilt (Wellesley College) and Nathan Sussman (Hebrew University) will honor six dissertations completed during the 2009–10 academic year. The submission deadline is June 11, 2010. The Alexander Gerschenkron and Allan Nevins prizes will be awarded for the best dissertations on non–North American and North American topics, respectively.

For further information, check <http://eh.net/eha/meetings/2010-meeting>, which includes information on travel options to Evanston; or contact Meetings Coordinator Jari Eloranta at elorantaj@appstate.edu.

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CENTRE FOR THE HISTORY OF RETAILING AND DISTRIBUTION (CHORD) CONFERENCE. The Pasold Research Fund and the Centre for the History of Retailing and Distribution (CHORD) invite proposals for a conference, “Distribution Networks for Textiles and Dress, c.1700–1945,” exploring the retailing and marketing of textiles and dress between c.1700 and 1945, to be held at the University of Wolverhampton, U.K., on September 8 and 9, 2010. Proposals are invited for papers on any aspect of this topic, on any distribution/retailing format, and focusing on any geographical area. Areas of interest include (but are not limited to): advertising and branding; sales techniques, display and technologies; second-hand and “informal” acquisition: charity; theft; gifting; inheritance; retail innovation and development; retail/distribution chains; fashion retailing and marketing; international comparisons; the relationship between retailing and production; retailing and class, gender, ethnicity, or age.

Proposals are invited both for individual papers and for sessions. Shorter papers (c.fifteen minutes) for a “New Researchers” session are also welcome. Please send title, a one-page abstract, a list of three to

five key words, and, if proposing a session, a cover letter with title and one-paragraph session description to the e-mail address below by March 19, 2010. Please state whether you would like to be included in the New Researchers' session.

For further information, please e-mail Laura Ugolini: L.Ugolini@wlv.ac.uk. Conference web-pages: <http://home.wlv.ac.uk/~in6086/2010conf.html>.

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PROGRAM IN EARLY AMERICAN ECONOMY AND SOCIETY FELLOWSHIPS. The Program in Early American Economy and Society invites applications for fellowship awards to be granted during 2010–2011:

- One dissertation fellowship, carrying a stipend of \$20,000, is tenable for nine consecutive months of residency from September 1, 2010 to May 31, 2011. It may also be divided between two scholars, who would each receive \$10,000 for the periods between September 1, 2010 to January 15, 2011, or January 15, 2011, to May 31, 2011. Scholars are expected to be in residence and to conduct their research in the nearby area. Dissertation fellowship applicants should submit seven copies each of a resume, a research proposal outlining the larger project and the work to be pursued during the fellowship term, a writing sample of about twenty-five pages, and two letters of recommendation. Applicants should state clearly which of the tenable periods they seek, and whether they also wish to be considered for a short-term PEAES fellowship.
- Four to six one-month fellowships, carrying stipends of \$2,000 each, are tenable for a month of research at the Library Company between June 1, 2010 and May 31, 2011. Short-term fellows will spend a continuous month of research in the collections of the Library Company. One-month applicants should submit seven copies each of a brief resume, a two- to four-page description of the proposed research, and one letter of recommendation.

These fellowships are designed to promote scholarship in early American economy and society, broadly defined, from its colonial beginnings to roughly the 1850s. Possible topics of research include the history of commerce, finance, technology, manufacturing, agriculture, internal improvements, consumer and working class cultures, and political economy. Applicants for the dissertation fellowship may submit proposals based not only on the extensive collections at the Library Company, but also on the printed and manuscript materials of other institutions in the Philadelphia area.

All applicants should first fill out an electronic cover sheet at the Web site: <http://www.lcpimages.org/forms/cover sheet.htm>. For further information about PEAES, please see: <http://www.librarycompany.org/Economics/>.

The deadline for receipt of applications is March 1, 2010.

Please send all materials to:

Cathy Matson, Director

Program in Early American Economy and Society

The Library Company of Philadelphia

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