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**THE 15TH ANNUAL
INTERNATIONAL COMPARATIVE
RURAL POLICY STUDIES (ICRPS)
Summer Institute**

"Social Justice, Rural and Natural Resource Policy"

*Focus on Policies and Programs Affecting Small-Scale,
Beginning Minority and Indigenous Farmers, Landowners and Their Communities*

**June 24 – July 7, 2018
Tuskegee University, Tuskegee, Alabama, USA**

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SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES AT A GLANCE

DAY DATE	SESSION	TIME	SUBJECT	CHAIR	PRESENTERS
1 June 25	1	AM	Government Structures	Stallman	• Stallman
	2	AM	Local and State Government	Thiam	• Haygood • Maxwell • Archie
	3	PM	What is Rural?	Bollman	• Bollman • Zabawa & Baharanyi
	4	PM	Country Examples	Viladomiu	• Nava-Bernal • Kelly • Viladomiu • De Lima
2 June 26	5	AM	Research Methods	Zabawa	• Zabawa • Stallman • Bollman • Thiam
	6	PM	Southern Black Belt, 1890 Land Grants & CBOs	Thiam	• Hill • Pennick
	7	PM	Field Trip	Tuskegee, AL	
3 June 27	8	AM	Field Trip	Montgomery, AL	
	9	PM	Field Trip	Hooks Family Farm	
	10	PM	Race, Gender and Social Justice	De Lima	• De Lima • Carvajal • Kelly
4 June 28	11	AM	Rural, Community and Economic Development, Pt 1	Baharanyi and Kelly	• Womack • Beeker, III • Howard
		AM	Rural, Community and Economic Development, Pt 2	Kelly and Baharanyi	• Baharanyi • Akimowicz • Vittuari • Gibson
	12	PM	Agriculture Food Policies and Food Security	Vittuari	• Vittuari • Soldevila Lafon • Loring • Mortley
5 June 29	13	AM	Fieldtrip	Selma & Epes	
	14	PM			

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6 June 30	15 16	AM PM	Fieldtrip	Epes & Birmingham	
7 July 1		AM	Students – Free Day Faculty Meeting & DINNER		
8 July 2	17 18	AM PM	Fieldtrip	Atlanta, GA	
9 July 3	19	AM	Policies and Programs for Indigenous and Minorities	Zabawa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Robinson • Epp • Diop • Johnson
	20	PM	Natural Resources, the Environment and Minority Populations	Shange	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bailey • Zabawa • Fall & Quansah • Shange
	21	PM	Climate Change and Environmental Justice	Thiam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pagani • Nava-Bernal • Flowers • Thiam
10 July 4		AM PM	Fieldtrip	Callaway Gardens	
11 July 5	22	AM	Migration & Immigration Policy	Carvajal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carvajal • De Lima • Forrister
	23	PM	Feeding the World	Akimowicz	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Akimowicz • Egnin • Kpombrekou
12 July 6	24	AM	Student Presentations		
	25	PM	Presentations and Evaluation		
		PM	Graduation and Celebration		

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

15th Annual ICRPS Summer Institute – Tuskegee, Alabama

The Fifteenth Annual International Comparative Rural Policy Studies (ICRPS) Summer Institute is being held in Tuskegee, Alabama, from the June 24 – July 7, 2018. The institute will convene for thirteen days and will involve approximately 25 graduate students and 18 faculty members from universities around the world. Sessions will include lectures, panel presentations, and interactive activities; these will be supplemented with field trips, group work, and student presentations.

The ICRPS Summer Institute provides a unique opportunity for students from a range of OECD countries to meet and work together on comparative rural policy issues and make invaluable research and networking contacts. Faculty involved in ICRPS come from disciplines as diverse as anthropology, economics, environmental studies, geography, indigenous studies, planning, policy studies, political science, and sociology with a shared interest in policy.

The theme for the 2018 Summer Institute is “Social Justice, Rural and Natural Resource Policy.” Using its unique status as an Historically Black College and University (HBCU) and 1890 Land Grant Institution, Tuskegee will lead this year’s participants in an intensive exploration into how the context of the Black Belt South provides a lens through which disparities in social, economic, and environmental justice impact the national and international discourse on race, culture and class.

Tuskegee University is a national, independent, and state-related institution of higher learning that is located in the State of Alabama. The University has distinctive strengths in the sciences, architecture, business, engineering, health, and other professions, all structured on solid foundations in the liberal arts. The three elements of instruction, research and service, together with certain acts of the United States Congress and the State of Alabama, define Tuskegee University as a land grant institution, with undergraduate and graduate strengths in Animal and Poultry Science, Plant and Soil Science, Food and Nutritional Science, Environmental Science, Biotechnology, Agribusiness, Agricultural and Resource Economics, and Public Policy and Development.

EXCURSIONS FOR THE INSTITUTE

Tuskegee, Alabama:

- The Tuskegee University National Historic Site
- The Tuskegee Airmen National Historic Site
- The Tuskegee Human and Civil Rights Multicultural Center
- The Tuskegee University Archives Repository

Montgomery, Alabama:

- Equal Justice Initiative National Memorial for Peace and Justice and Legacy Museum

Selma, Alabama:

- The Edmund Pettus Bridge and Civil Rights Memorial Park
- The National Voting Rights Museum
- The Selma Interpretive Center
- The Jackson House and Brown Memorial Chapel

Epes, Alabama:

- The Federation of Southern Cooperatives/Land Assistance Fund Rural Training center

Birmingham, Alabama:

- The 16th Street Baptist Church
- The Birmingham Civil Rights National Monument

Atlanta, Georgia:

- The Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change, Ebenezer Church, Crypt and Eternal Flame
- The Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum
- The CNN Center
- Your DeKalb Farmers Market

Pine Mountain, Georgia:

- Special 4th of July Excursion to Callaway Resort and Gardens

LOGISTICS



Hotel Accommodations:

Kellogg Conference Center at Tuskegee University

Continental Breakfast: 7:30 – 7:45

Dorothy's Restaurant at Kellogg Conference Center

Lunch: 12:00 – 1:15

Dorothy's Restaurant at Kellogg Conference Center

Dinner: 6:00 – 7:30

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Meeting Room:

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Mikaël Akimowicz is a Research Fellow with the Rural Development Institute at Brandon University, his research interests focus on the sustainability of food systems. His work tackles agriculture in peri-urban areas, where farmers need to adapt to specific production conditions, such as rocketing land prices, conflicts with residents, but can also take advantage of new opportunities offered by close-by urban markets. In particular, he compared farmers' investment decisions in Ontario's Greenbelt, Canada, and Toulouse InterSCoT, France. He has recently broadened my research

activity to the utilization of broadband and digital technologies in rural areas. Although apparently distant, these two topics tackle the theoretical question of coordination among actors, which implies looking at economic agents' rationality and decision-making. In the near future, he would like to investigate the broad question of the adoption of agro-ecology in the agri-food sector.



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Ntam Baharanyi is Professor of agricultural economics and Assistant Extension Administrator at Tuskegee University, USA. He is a graduate of the National University of Zaire--now DR Congo (BS, Agronomy) and the University of Kentucky (MS and Ph.D., Agricultural Economics). He has taught Farm Management, Agricultural Production Economics, and Agricultural Policies in Developing Countries and Research Methods in Agricultural Sciences. His research and extension and outreach work has been primarily on small and limited resource farmers, micro-enterprise facilitation, and

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of research on these topics and has published widely . She also supervises PhD students and coordinates and teaches two modules (Action Research and Dissertation) on the Masters in Education Programme. Webpage: <http://www.crrs.uhi.ac.uk/about-us/staff/philomena-de-lima>



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Ryan Gibson is the Libro Professor of Regional Economic Development in the School of Environmental Design and Rural Planning at the University of Guelph. He received his PhD from the Department of Geography at Memorial University of Newfoundland. Ryan’s main research interests focus on rural development, governance, philanthropy and wealth, and public policy. Dr. Gibson is the current president of the Canadian Community Economic Development Network, past-president of the Canadian Rural Revitalization Foundation, and Chair of the Institute of Island Studies Advisory Board at the University of Prince Edward Island.

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Gabino Nava-Bernal has been a lecturer-researcher at the Agricultural and Rural Research Institute (ICAR), Autonomous University of the State of México (UAEM) since 2004. He completed his PhD dissertation, titled “Local Maize Varieties in Central Mexico: their Management and Contribution to Campesinos’ Livelihoods” in 2003 from the School of Development Studies, University of East Anglia. He holds an MSc in Tropical Agriculture from Wye College, University of London, where his thesis was

titled, “Economic Analysis for maize production system. Case study: San Felipe del Progreso, México.” Dr. Nava-Bernal has been involved in research projects such as Agrodiversity Management and Natural Resources Management by indigenous people in Mexico and policy innovations in natural protected areas in Mexico. His personal interests are to understand a detailed and integrated diagnostic of Natural Protected Areas, their periphery, and the associated rich patrimony of regulations and practices, in order to generate a scientific and methodological basis for alternative proposals for local development and for innovative policies in National Park management, and to contribute to national and international policy debates.



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Raymon Shange is the Interim Assistant Dean for Cooperative Extension, Director of the Carver Integrative Sustainability Center, and Assistant Professor of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences in the College of Agriculture Environment and Nutrition Sciences at Tuskegee University. Raymon received his PhD in Integrative Biosciences (with a focus on Agroecology) from Tuskegee University, Master’s degree from Howard University in Philosophy (focusing on the Philosophy of Nature), and B.S. in Biology

from Xavier University of Louisiana. Raymon is a member of Beta Beta Beta, Alpha Kappa Mu and Gamma

Sigma Delta Honor Societies in addition to receiving multiple awards for teaching, research, and outreach at both Tuskegee University and in the 1890s community. He joined the staff in the Department of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences in the Fall of 2011.

His general area of interest is in applied research that assesses the response of water and soil health indicators to sustainable management practices by Limited Resource Farmers, Ranchers, and Forest Landowners. As the Director of CISC, he provides daily oversight of Integrative Research and Extension projects targeting socially disadvantaged and underrepresented farmer, forester, and rancher clusters in the Alabama Black Belt. He is married to Thandiwe Shange and they have four children. The Shange family reside in Tuskegee Alabama. In his down time, Raymon enjoys time with his family, painting, outdoor activities, and various types of music.



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Victòria Soldevila is an associate professor of Applied Economics at Universitat Rovira i Virgili (URV). She obtained her PhD in Economics at the University of Barcelona in 2008. Her thesis analyzes the impact of environmental regulations on pig farming in Catalonia. Before joining URV, Victoria taught at the University of Barcelona, l'École Supérieure de Commerce de Toulouse (ESEC) in Barcelona and Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Nicaragua (UNAM) in Managua. She has been Coordinator of the Master in International Markets of URV. She was a former student at the ICRPS Summer School in Guelph and Leuven. Her research interests include agri-food value chains, rural development, and food security.



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Judy Stallmann is a professor at the University of Missouri. Her research focuses on the division of responsibilities between levels of government, competition between governments at the same level, and the impacts of population change and limits on fiscal flexibility on the fiscal standing of state and local governments. Internationally, she has worked in/taught in/done research: Honduras, Guatemala, Costa Rica, Nicaragua, Mexico, Thailand, and China.



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Thierno Thiam is the Chair of the Department of History and Political Science and Associate Professor of Political Science and International Relations at Tuskegee University. He joined Tuskegee University in December 2010 from the Institute for State Effectiveness (ISE) based in Washington D.C. The ISE blends conceptual thought, analysis and direct experience to rethink relations between citizens, states and markets in the globalized world.

Dr. Thiam's academic activities span across several major universities, including Howard University, where he taught the Graduate Seminar in Comparative Politics, the University of Maryland — College Park, where he taught the Politics of Africa, and Purdue University, where he taught courses in International Relations. At Tuskegee University, Dr. Thiam's courses include International Relations, International Organizations, and Comparative Government at the undergraduate and graduate levels.



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The main fields of expertise include: food economics and policy; rural economics and policy; bioenergy economics and policy; energy system analysis; agricultural and rural policy evaluation; life cycle assessment. He has published over 80 scientific articles and reports. He is currently coordinating the behavioral economics Work Package within the Horizon2020 REFRESH. He coordinated the policy Work Package within the FP7 FUSIONS.

Within the Rural Policy Learning Commons project he is leading the Governance Network and he is serving as member of the Steering Committee.



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Robert Zabawa has worked at Tuskegee University for over 30 years. His domestic research includes: small-scale and minority farming systems with an emphasis on land ownership, heir property, family networks and resettlement. His international research includes: agricultural development, production decision making, value chain analysis, and marketing strategies. He has worked in Belize, Senegal and Tanzania, and for the past 20 years he has been on a team promoting the adoption of the orange sweet potato in Ghana. Robert coordinates the Agricultural and Resource Economics MS Program and is Co-Director of the Integrative Public Policy and Development PhD Program. This is his fifth ICRPS Summer Institute.

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Gilbert had worked as a Research Assistant in Tuskegee University and a Quality Assurance Professional with Morrison Express Corporation in Los Angeles, California, USA as well as, as a Senior Management Analyst in the Management Services Division of the Office of the Head of Civil Service in Ghana.

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Resource Farmer Inputs as a Business Strategy in the Alabama Black Belt". Her research interests are in international development polices and the economic development of the manufacturing companies and / or oil industries. In addition to foreign aid impact in the developing countries.



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Lucy Asare-Baah is currently a PhD Fellow in the Integrative Public Policy and Development Program specializing in Agricultural Policy at Tuskegee University. Her research interest includes reduction of Postharvest Losses and Wastes more specifically among rural farmers in the Global South, and farm policies for small agricultural landholders in the United States.

The completion of her master's program in Agricultural and Resource Economics from Tuskegee University, US and master's program in Business Administration from University of Ghana, Ghana, West Africa has equipped her with needed skills for addressing issues faced by Limited Resource Farmers. Her publication is on socially Disadvantaged Farmers in the Rural South.



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Miquel Correa holds a Master of Research in Applied Economics by Autonomous University of Barcelona (2012), with a specialization in the Economics of Agriculture and Natural Resources, and a Master of Science in International Relations by the Barcelona Institute of International Studies (2005). Both Master's Thesis were devoted to Sub-Saharan Africa, where he has travelled to on several occasions.

Recent research activities with the Rural Development Group at the Autonomous University of Barcelona (2018) include an analysis of the economic viability of different agricultural production systems in the Montserrat Rural Park area, commissioned by the Barcelona County Government. He aims to dedicate next years to doctorate in Political Economy, with an interest in the economic and political functioning of Local, Regional and Global Agri-Food Value Chains, and also in the institutional determinants and regulation of Foreign Direct Investment in Land and its impact on Food Security and Income Poverty in Developing Countries.



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Dinesh Dhakal is currently doing PhD in Public Affairs at University of Missouri, Columbia. He earned a bachelor's degree in Agriculture in 1999 and master's degree in Agricultural Economics in 2003 from the Institute of Agriculture and Animal Science at Tribhuvan University, Nepal. Since 2008, he has been an Assistant Professor of Agricultural Economics at Tribhuvan University, pursuing an academic and research career in the footsteps of his own interest and wish. Dinesh recently completed two

collaborative research projects, visiting Australia and Thailand for related skill-enhancement trainings. Dinesh conducts research on areas that explore determinants of technology adoption, market access, and value chain analysis of agricultural commodities. He is interested in exploring the role of agricultural cooperatives for poverty reduction of developing economies particularly South Asian countries.



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Merlin Hernandez is a PhD Fellow in the Integrated Public Policy and Development Program with concentrations in International Development and Rural Policy at Tuskegee University. Her research interests are in international development, the empowerment of rural and marginal communities, rural community building, and social enterprise. Merlin holds a Bachelor's degree in Communication Studies and worked for more than 20 years as a television producer, newspaper columnist, and radio host. She has been

an adjunct lecturer in Communication Theory and Visual Arts at the Creative Arts Center of the University of the West Indies. She has an MBA in Strategic Planning, and has also worked in international marketing, and small and medium enterprise development. Merlin is from Trinidad and Tobago.



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Community activist and agriculture advocate, Lindsey Lunsford, inspired by her alma mater, Tuskegee University, is setting the tone for the upcoming generation of urban agriculturalists. She received her undergraduate degrees from Tuskegee University and her Masters in Environmental Management from Western State Colorado University. Currently working as Sustainable Food System Resource Specialist through Tuskegee University's Carver Integrative Sustainability Center, Ms. Lunsford

works in food justice and community sovereignty efforts. Ms. Lunsford is also currently enrolled in the Tuskegee University Integrative Public Policy and Development Doctoral Program, where she studies policy advocacy for strengthening grassroots efforts from state to international levels. As a founder and advisor to the Tuskegee United Leadership and Innovation Program (TULIP) in Tuskegee, Lindsey leads a team of community champions in building and creating home and community gardens. TULIP is a community garden project between local residents and the university to ensure public access to fresh food and growing space. Lunsford's leadership focuses on educating urban youth on self-sufficiency and healthy lifestyles while encouraging the larger community to pursue a sustainable local economy.



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Sandra Moore is a current Ph.D. Candidate in the School of Environment and Sustainability at the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. Her research is an ethnographic analysis of the socioeconomic impacts of oil and gas development in rural agrarian communities in southwest Saskatchewan. She was a Vanier Canada Graduate Scholar from 2015-2018 and has worked on rural leadership, livelihoods, and energy development in Canada and internationally for the past twenty years. Sandra holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Anthropology from Athabasca University in Athabasca, Alberta, Canada and a Master’s of Adult Education Degree in International Community Development from St. Francis Xavier University in Antigonish, Nova Scotia, Canada. She runs a research and development consulting firm, is an active community volunteer, and was recently appointed by the Government of Alberta to the Board of Directors for Energy Efficiency Alberta. Sandra and her husband have two young adult children and live in Medicine Hat, Alberta, Canada.



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Academically, I am grateful to find myself as a Ph.D. student at the University of Guelph surrounded and supported by the incredible faculty and staff in Rural Studies. I am honoured to have shared space with many Indigenous Nations across North America and, through my work and my incredible good fortune, these experiences have shaped me. My research and passion combine in exploring the power of Indigenous Food and Indigenous Food Systems. Building an understanding of the nexus that exists between Indigenous Law, food sovereignty and traditional stories- creating a bridge of knowledge. The

hope is that this bridge can facilitate a form of “unforgetting” that empowers a community recognized food mino-pimatsiwin (Anishinaabe for good life).



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Ana Paola is originally from the center of Mexico. She studied her career in Biology at the University Autonomous of the State of Mexico. Currently, she is studying her master’s degree in agricultural sciences and natural resources. Her personal interests are the study of the use and management of wild edible plants by the rural communities. She also cares for the conservation of the indigenous traditions and languages in her country.



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Jasmine Ratliff is a New Orleans native with a bachelor’s degree in Business Management with a Human Resource concentration from the University of New Orleans. In December 2017, she completed her Master’s Degree in Community Planning from Auburn University and will begin her PhD studies this fall at Tuskegee University in the Integrative Public Policy and Development program. Jasmine is a previous AmeriCorps VISTA member leading the TULIP community garden in Tuskegee, AL and plans to build a community after graduation.



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Sherine Salmon is a seasoned professional with over 10 years of experience in educational administration. With a passion for educational leadership and policies surrounding education, she has worked in Jamaica’s Technical Vocational Education and Training system as an Institution Manager, Assessment Monitoring Officer and Career Development Officer. Her duties included monitoring and interfacing with rural institutions and tailoring policies that would afford institutions compliance with accrediting bodies and partnering entities. Having exposure to research has resulted in her desire get involved in educational research to design more evidence based policies. She is currently a graduate student at Brandon University, where she was recently awarded as an Outstanding Woman of 2018. She loves the outdoors and delights in the simplicities of life as she travels and experiences the diversity of people and nature.



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Palash Sanyal is currently interning with Asia and Pacific Division, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) at Rome, Italy Headquarters. IFAD's objective is rural development worldwide. He is also a graduate student at the University of Saskatchewan, where his major is Water Security. Prior to joining IFAD, Palash was engaged with the University of Saskatchewan Science Ambassador program, where he spent four weeks in a reserve serving first-nation community.

Previously Palash has worked on rural and urban WASH, climate change and energy projects in Canada, Bangladesh and United States with organisations like WaterAid Bangladesh, Ricardo UK and TED Talk. He has facilitated different controversial topics e.g. indigenisation, taboo and myths in water and energy sector, Israel-Palestinian issue, Arab-West conflict etc. for the last 5 years, often connecting with remote communities. He moderated session at the World Humanitarian Summit, First Man and Biosphere Youth Conference, Harvard Asian Conference, workshops at the University of South Carolina and University of Saskatchewan. Palash was the UNESCO/ISED Fellow in 2013, UNLEASH talent 2017, Yenching Global Scholar 2017 and Clinton Global Initiative Mentor 2017.



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Kara Woods is a first year participant of ICRPS. She earned her B.S. in Criminal Justice from the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) in Birmingham, AL where she graduated with Departmental as well as University Honors. During her collegiate career she interned with current Alabama congresswoman Terri Sewell as well as the YMCA of Greater Montgomery where she now volunteers. She is currently pursuing a Phd in Integrative Public Policy and Development from Tuskegee University. Her focus involves heir property, voter participation, and the ideal of community. She is native of Montgomery, Al.

GUEST LECTURERS AND SPECIAL GUESTS



Anita Archie

Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs.

Anita Archie currently serves as Deputy Director of the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs. Appointed to the position in May 2017, she assists Director Kenneth Boswell in meeting the agency's mission to strengthen and support local communities throughout Alabama.

Archie's wealth of knowledge and experience with federal, state and local governments serves her well in her current role. Prior to joining ADECA, she served as Chief of Staff to Montgomery Mayor Todd Strange and previously served as Senior Vice President of Intergovernmental Affairs and Advocacy and Legal Advisor at the Business Council of Alabama. Archie serves on several community boards and commissions, including the Alabama Women's Commission, the Alabama Child Abuse and Neglect Board and the Montgomery Chamber of Commerce Women in Business Committee.

She is a graduate of The University of Alabama at Birmingham and The University of Alabama School of Law. In 2013, she completed Leadership Alabama, a program which brings leaders from across the state together to help move Alabama and its communities forward.

Archie is married to Eric Archie and is a proud mom to Erica and Amari.

She is the mother of a daughter and a grandparent. Her objective is to leave a better world for her grandson and seven generations into the future.



Chris Beeker, III

USDA Rural Development

Chris Beeker grew up on a family-owned catfish and cattle farm in Greene County, the smallest county in Alabama. Through extensive experience of working on the family farm and other business ventures, he has firsthand knowledge of the positive and important impacts of USDA programs for all communities and especially rural America. He and his wife, Carly, have three children. Chris was appointed by President Trump and Ag Secretary Sonny Perdue to serve as the State Director for USDA Rural Development in Alabama, effective November 26, 2017.



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Dana Chandler is a trained archivist and historian, receiving his graduate degree from Auburn University. He works as the University Archivist/Associate Professor at Tuskegee University and is the co-author of *To Raise Up the Man Farthest Down: Tuskegee University's Advancements in Human Health, 1881-1987* (University of Alabama Press, 2018). He has had over seventy presentations at a variety of venues and teaches history in the Department of History and Political Science. He specializes in the history of Tuskegee University.



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Marceline Egnin conducts research in plant genomics, molecular biology, breeding, protein engineering, gene expression, tissue culture. Dr. Egnin's research focuses on the expression of nutritionally and pharmacologically-active vaccine related products in transgenic crops. She also focuses on human obesity disorder and food crops such as sweetpotato, peanut and yam. New Technologies: Develop High-Protein and nutritious transgenic sweetpotato and peanut plants with value added traits; develop in-vitro systems for peanut seed production and sweetpotato edible root.



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Souleymane Fall is a Research Associate Professor in T.U.'s Geospatial and Climate Change Center (GCCC). He has studied at the University of Dakar in Senegal, North Carolina State University, and Purdue University. Dr. Fall has conducted, or is currently engaged in, research related to the trends and variability of extreme climate events over the USA and the identification of related hotspots; the vulnerability of communities to climate change; and the global trends and variability of equivalent temperature (which combines air temperature and atmospheric moisture into a single variable that depicts heat content).



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Kimble Forrister

Alabama ARISE - retired

Until his recent retirement this June, Kimble Forrister has been ACPP's executive director since its founding in 1994. A native of Nashville, Tenn., he worked in urban ministry in the Northeast in the 1970s, completed an M.Div. at Princeton Theological Seminary, and served as Southeast regional organizer at Bread for the World for nine years in the 1980s.



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Lawrence "Tony" Haygood was elected mayor of Tuskegee in 2016. Mayor Haygood received his undergraduate degree at Rhodes College with a major in Political Science and a minor concentration in Economics. He received a MBA Degree from Auburn University Montgomery with additional studies in Management Science at Krannert School of Management at Purdue University and the Georgia Institute of Technology.

In the summer of 2011, Haygood completed the Intensive Economic development Training Course at Auburn University. Mayor Haygood has also served as Economic/Business Development Specialist at the Tuskegee – Macon County Community Development Corporation (TMCDC) for the past four years.



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Hill received his doctorate in agronomy and environmental chemistry from the University of Illinois, master's degrees from both the University of Arizona and the University of Chicago and his undergraduate degree from Lake Forest College in Illinois. Hill currently serves as director of the George Washington Carver Agricultural Experiment Station and the 1890 Research and Extension Programs at Tuskegee University.



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Edward "Jerry" Pennick served as director of the Federation of the Southern Cooperatives' Land Assistance Fund, prior to this retirement in 2014. He coordinated all of the organization's land related legal, technical and educational assistance to African American landowners. Pennick worked on African American land tenure issues for over 40 years and has written and conducted extensive research on the subject. He also has extensive experience on rural business, community development, and agriculture as they related to minority farmers. Pennick has had the opportunity to work on and to testify before congress regarding several farm bills on behalf of a minority farmers' coalition. He has a Bachelor's

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Jerry is also an inductee into the George Washington Carver Public Service Hall of Fame, by the Professional Agricultural Workers Conference, for his service to Carver's calling of being the "greatest good to the greatest number of people."



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Miles currently serves as Strike Team Leader for the Carver Integrative Sustainability Center at Tuskegee University's College of Agriculture, Environment & Nutrition Sciences. He also serves as Director of the Alabama Small Farm Rural Economic Development Center, and Associate Director for the Small Farmer Outreach Training and Technical Assistance Project at Tuskegee University in cooperation with the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

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Underdevelopment in the Black Belt (2013), received a Georgia Author of the Year nomination. She is a founding board member of the Black Belt Justice Center which works with land retention and agricultural policy issues.

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SUNDAY, JUNE 24, 2018

ARRIVAL

4:00 Campus Tour: Carver Museum, Chapel and Cemetery, Kresge Center, Historical Sites

6:00 Opening Reception: Kellogg Conference Center

Welcome: Walter A. Hill, Dean, College of Agriculture, Environment and Nutrition Sciences

Introductions and Reception: Ballroom

Announcements



MONDAY, JUNE 25

DAY 1

SESSION: 1

MORNING, Kenney Hall 70-121

Welcome: C. S. Prakash, Dean, College of Arts and Sciences

8:30 – 10:00

TOPIC: Government Structures

Chair: Judith Stallmann, University of Missouri

Judith Stallmann: *Student Interactive Activity on Levels of Government in Their Country*

10:00 – 10:30

Break

SESSION: 2

10:30 – 12:00

TOPIC: Local and State Government

Chair: Thierno Thiam, Tuskegee University

Lawrence "Tony" Haygood, Jr., Mayor, City of Tuskegee, *Local City Government*

Louis Maxwell, Chair, Macon County Commission, *Local County Government*

Anita Archie, Deputy Director, Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs, *Local and State Government Interactions*

12:00 – 1:30

LUNCH

SESSION: 3

AFTERNOON, Kenney Hall 70-121

1:30 – 2:30

TOPIC: What is Rural?

Chair: Ray Bollman, Brandon University

Robert Zabawa and Ntam Baharanyi, Tuskegee University, *A Discussion of USDA Definitions of Rural and Rurality*

Ray Bollman, Brandon University, *What is Rural? What is Rural Policy? What is Rural Development Policy?*

2:30 – 3:00

Break

3:00 – 5:00

TOPIC: Country Examples

Chair: Gabino Nava-Bernal, Universidad Autonoma del Estado de Mexico

Mexico: Gabino Nava-Bernal, Universidad Autonoma del Estado de Mexico, *What is Rural? The Mexican Approach*

Canada: Wayne Kelly, Brandon University, *What is Rural? The Canadian Approach*

Spain: Lourdes Viladomiu, Universitat Autonoma de Barcelona, *What is Rural? The Spanish and Catalan Approach*

Scotland: Philomena De Lima, University of the Highlands and Islands, Inverness College, *What is Rural? The Scottish Approach*

5:00 – 5:45

Site Visit to the Tuskegee University Archives and Repository

6:00

DINNER

TUESDAY, JUNE 26, 2018

DAY 2

SESSION: 4

MORNING, Kenney Hall 70-121

8:30 – 9:30

TOPIC: Research Methods

Chair: Robert Zabawa, Tuskegee University

Robert Zabawa, Tuskegee University, *Ethnoscience: An Exercise in Indigenous Knowledge*

9:30 – 10:00 Break

10:00 – 12:00

Breakout Sessions

Judith Stallman, University of Missouri, *Quasi-Experimental Design*

Ray Bollman, Brandon University, *Data Sets*

Thierno Thiam, Tuskegee University, *Research Methods in the Social Sciences*

12:00 – 1:30

LUNCH

SESSION: 5

AFTERNOON, Kenney Hall 70-121

1:30 – 3:00 **TOPIC:** The Southern Black Belt, the US Land Grant System,
and Community-Based Initiatives
Chair: Thierno Thiam, Tuskegee University

Walter Hill, Tuskegee University, *The Role of the 1890 Land Grant Institutions in Rural Development Policy*

Jerry Pennick, Federation of Southern Cooperatives (ret.) and Tuskegee University, *The Role of Community-Based Organizations in Rural Development Policy*

Dana Chandler, Tuskegee University, *George Washington Carver: Exploring the Myths and Clarifying Some Criticisms*

3:30 – 5:00 **TOPIC:** Field Trip #1: Local Tuskegee/Macon County Sites:
The Tuskegee Airmen National Historic Site and The Tuskegee Human
and Civil Rights Multicultural Center

6:00 DINNER



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27, 2018 DAY 3

SESSION: 6

MORNING

8:00 **Departure TOPIC:** Field Trip #2 Montgomery, Alabama
Equal Justice Initiative: National Memorial for Peace and Justice
and the Legacy Museum
Southern Poverty Law Center (time permitting)

12:30 – 1:30

LUNCH

SESSION: 7

AFTERNOON, Small-Scale Family Farming

1:00 Demetrius Hooks and farm interns, *The Hooks Family Farm*



SESSION: 8

AFTERNOON, Kenney Hall 70-121

3:30 – 5:00

TOPIC: Disparities, Race, Gender, and Social Justice

Chair: Philomena De Lima, University of the Highlands and Islands, Inverness College

Philomena De Lima, University of the Highlands and Islands, Inverness College, *Intersecting Identities (race, gender, social class) and Poverty in Rural Areas (Scotland and the US) - Implications for Policy*

Lidia Carvajal, Universidad Autonoma del Estado de Mexico, *Policies Affecting Indigenous and Minorities in Rural Areas, The Case from Mexico*

Wayne Kelly, Brandon University, *Youth Engagement and Community Resilience*

Group Meetings

5:00 – 6:00

ICRPS Book Project Meeting

6:00

DINNER

THURSDAY, JUNE 28, 2018

DAY 4

SESSION: 9

MORNING, Kenney Hall 70-121

8:30 – 10:00 **TOPIC:** Rural, Community and Economic Development and Strategic Planning, Pt 1
Chairs: Ntam Baharanyi, Tuskegee University and Wayne Kelly, Brandon University

Veronica Womack, Georgia College and State University, *Federal/Regional Planning Authority Legislative Initiatives*

Chris Beeker, III, State Director, USDA Rural Development, *Effectiveness of Current Rural Development Policies on Minority Communities*

Tyson Howard, Executive Director, South Central Alabama Development Commission, *The Effectiveness of Regional Development Commissions on Minority Communities and Rural Alabamians*

10:00 – 10:30 Break

10:30 – 12:00 **TOPIC:** Rural, Community and Economic Development and Strategic Planning, Pt 2

Ntam Baharanyi, Tuskegee University, *From the Enterprise Zones to the Opportunity Zones: Policy Lessons Learned*

Mikael Akimowicz, Brandon University, *Assessing the Enterprise Zone Program in France*

Matteo Vittuari, University of Bologna, *Assessing the European Union—Leader Initiative*

Ryan Gibson, University of Guelph, *Canadian Community Futures Program*

12:00 – 1:30 LUNCH

SESSION: 10

AFTERNOON, Kenney Hall 70-121

1:30 – 3:00 **TOPIC:** Agriculture Food Policies and Food Security
Chair: Matteo Vittuari, University of Bologna

Matteo Vittuari, University of Bologna, *Food (Waste) and Energy Nexus: Resilience, Challenges and Opportunities*

Victòria Soldevila Lafon, Universitat Rovira I Virgili, *Food Regimes and Food Security*

Phil Loring, University of Saskatchewan (video conference), *Food Governance and Sovereignty*

3:00 – 3:30 Break

3:30 – 4:30 Desmond Mortley, Tuskegee University, *Food Processing for Smallholders Lab and Demonstration*

6:00 DINNER

FRIDAY, JUNE 29, 2018 DAY 5

SESSION: 11

MORNING

TOPIC: Field Trip #3a

7:30 Selma, Alabama, and Local Sites

9:00 Edmund Pettus Bridge and Civil Rights Memorial Park

10:00 National Voting Rights Museum

11:15 Selma Interpretive Center and Mayor Darrio Melton

12:30 LUNCH



SESSION 12

AFTERNOON

TOPIC: Field Trip #3b

- 1:30 Jackson House
- 2:45 Brown Chapel
- 3:30 Black Belt Marketing Innovation Center (time permitting)
- 5:30 Federation of Southern Cooperatives Training Center
Epes, Alabama
Marcus Bernard, Director
Activity

DINNER

SATURDAY, JUNE 30, 2018 DAY 6

SESSION: 13

MORNING

Federation of Southern Cooperatives Training Center, Epes, Alabama – Marcus Bernard, Director

7:00 – 7:30 Breakfast

TOPIC: Field Trip 3c

- 9:00 16th Street Baptist Church
- 10:00 Birmingham, Alabama, Local Sites and US Congressional Representatives
Congressional Offices: Senator Doug Jones; Representative Terri Sewell
- 10:30 Birmingham Civil Rights National Monument: Museum, Kelly Ingram Park
- 11:30 Civil Rights Bus Tour of Birmingham, Alabama
- 12:30 LUNCH

SESSION: 14

AFTERNOON

2:00 Outlet Mall at Leeds, Alabama

4:00 Depart for Tuskegee

6:00 DINNER

SUNDAY, JULY 1, 2018 DAY 7

Student Free Day

11:00 – 3:00 BRUNCH

6:00 DINNER

Faculty Meeting and DINNER

MONDAY, JULY 2, 2018 DAY 8

SESSION: 15

MORNING

TOPIC: Field Trip #4

6:00 Atlanta, Georgia and Local Sites

9:00 The Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change, Ebenezer Church, Crypt and Eternal Flame

10:45 Historical Park with King Birth Home

12:30 LUNCH

SESSION: 16

AFTERNOON

- 2:00 The Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum
- 4:40 The CNN Center
- 6:30 Your DeKalb County Farmers Market & DINNER
- 9:00 Return to Tuskegee



TUESDAY, JULY 3, 2018 DAY 9

SESSION: 17

MORNING, Kenney Hall 70-121

- 9:00 – 10:30 **TOPIC:** Policies and Programs for Indigenous and Minority Farmers, Land Owners and Communities
Chair: Robert Zabawa, Tuskegee University

Miles Robinson, Tuskegee University, USDA and Outreach and Assistance for Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers

Sara Epp, University of Guelph, The Migration of Mennonite Farmers in Canada

Amadou Diop, USDA Forest Service, Regional Office, Atlanta, GA

Demetris Johnson, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service

USDA Farm Service Agency Alabama State Office (invited)

10:30 – 12:00 Break/Group Meetings/Free Time

12:00 – 1:30 LUNCH

SESSION: 18

AFTERNOON, Kenney Hall 70-121

1:30 – 3:00 **TOPIC:** Natural Resources, the Environment and Minority Populations
Chair: Raymon Shange, Tuskegee University

Conner Bailey, Auburn University, *Why Does Ownership of Land Matter? Concentrated Ownership of Timberland in Alabama*

Robert Zabawa, Tuskegee University, *Land Ownership and Individual and Community Wealth*

Souleymane Fall, Tuskegee University, *GIS and Environmental Justice*

Joseph Quansah, Tuskegee University, *The Impact of Climate Change on Minority Populations*

Raymon Shange, Tuskegee University, *Minority Stewardship and Management Towards Environmental Sustainability*

3:00 – 3:30 Break

SESSION: 19

3:30 – 5:00 **TOPIC:** Climate Change and Environmental Justice
Chair: Thierno Thiam, Tuskegee University

Marco Pagani, University of Bologna, *Bioenergy as a Tool for Rural Development*

Gabino Nava-Bernal, Universidad del Estado de Mexico, *Mexican Peasant (Campesino) Strategies to Face Climate Variability*

Catherine Flowers, Equal Justice Initiative, *Environmental Justice and Climate Change*

Thierno Thiam, Tuskegee University, *An Impossible Deal: How Our Outdated Political Institutions Fail Us on Climate Change*

6:00 DINNER

WEDNESDAY, JULY 4, 2018

DAY 10

MORNING

9:00

TOPIC: Field Trip #5

Independence Day

Callaway Resort and Gardens, Pine Mountain, Georgia

AFTERNOON

Return to Tuskegee



THURSDAY, JULY 5, 2018

DAY 11

SESSION: 20

MORNING, Kenney Hall 70-121

9:00 – 10:30

TOPIC: Migration, Immigration and Policy Approach to Taking Care of the Vulnerable and the Poor

Chair: Lidia Carvajal, Universidad Autonoma del Estado de Mexico

Lidia Carvajal, Universidad Autonoma del Estado de Mexico, *Mexican Rural International Migration: Challenges Facing Leaving and Returning*

Philomena De Lima, University of the Highlands and Islands, Inverness College, *The Migration- Rural 'Development' Nexus and Migrant Wellbeing*

Kimble Forrister, Executive Director Alabama Arise (retired), *Alabama Arise Citizens' Policy Project: Advocacy for Low-income Alabamians*

10:30 – 12:00

Break/Breakout Groups for student presentations

12:00 – 1:30

LUNCH

SESSION: 21

AFTERNOON, Kenney Hall 70-121

1:30 – 3:00

TOPIC: Feeding the World, A Social Justice Approach

Chair: Mikael Akimowicz, Brandon University

Mikael Akimowicz, Brandon University, *Social Justice Perspective in the Food Supply Chain*

Marceline Egnin, Tuskegee University, *Biotechnology to Feed the World*

Kokoasse Kpombrekou-A, Tuskegee University, *Organic Production and Small-Scale Farming*

3:00 – 5:00

Break/Breakout Groups for student presentations

6:00

DINNER

FRIDAY, JULY 6, 2018 DAY 12

SESSION: 22

MORNING, Kenney Hall, Rm 70-122

9:00 – 12:00

TOPIC: Student Presentations

10:00 – 10:30

Break

12:00 – 1:30

LUNCH

SESSION: 23

AFTERNOON, Kenney Hall, Rm 70-122

1:30 – 3:00

TOPIC: Student Presentations, Continued and Evaluation

EVENING

6:00

TOPIC: Graduation and Celebration—Kellogg Conference Center Ballroom

SATURDAY, JULY 7, 2018 DAY 13

TOPIC:

DEPARTURE

7:30

Breakfast

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