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## Department of Economics News

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### Letter from the Chair

As the Spring 2025 semester comes to a close, we reflect with pride on another season of growth, achievement, and connection within the Department of Economics. Our students continue to impress us with their curiosity and drive, our faculty remain at the forefront of research and teaching, and our alumni community—your continued engagement and support—remains one of our greatest strengths.



In April, we hosted an insightful fireside chat featuring Raphael Bostic, President and CEO of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, and Jim Burns, Chair of the Investment Committee of the Emory University Board of Trustees. The conversation covered timely and critical topics such as the state of the economy, monetary policy, labor markets, jobs, interest rates, and inflation. We were proud to [livestream](#) this event to the public, making it accessible to a broader audience and reinforcing our commitment to fostering informed dialogue on pressing economic issues.

Thanks to your Giving Week support, we were able to launch our first-ever [Emory University Department of Economics Student Research Fair](#). We were amazed by the depth and breadth of research presented. Our undergraduate and graduate students tackled everything from the effects of Temporary Protected Status on immigrants and the real costs of housing to cryptocurrency regulation, Amazon's algorithms, the impact of Hurricane Sandy on rent, and whether your surgeon's medical school affects how often they operate. It was fantastic to see such engaging work on display.

Recently, we celebrated the outstanding placements of our first graduating class from the 4+1 BA/MS program in Economics. These talented students have secured roles at top organizations including Ernst & Young, Amazon, Boston Consulting Group, Aon, and Teach for America, as well as a prestigious pre-doctoral position at Stanford University School of Business. Their success reflects the strength of our program and the bright future ahead for our graduates.

We are also proud to announce that we have been selected to host the 2026 NASMES North American Summer Meetings of the Econometrics Society, a prestigious event that brings together leading economists and researchers from around the world. This successful bid reflects our department's strong academic reputation, vibrant research community, and commitment to advancing the field of

econometrics. We look forward to welcoming scholars to our campus in June 2026 for an engaging and impactful conference.

In this edition of our newsletter, you'll find:

- **Alumni News and Notes** – Catch up on the latest accomplishments and career updates from your fellow graduates
- **Student and Faculty Highlights** – Learn about recent research, awards, and academic milestones

We invite you to stay connected with us—whether by following our [social media channels](#), attending events, or contributing via our [Giving page](#). Your involvement helps us create meaningful experiences for our students and sustain the excellence of our programs.

[Read the complete newsletter here.](#)

Wishing you a joyful and productive summer ahead.

Warm regards,

Hashem Dezhbakhsh  
Chair and Goodrich C. White Professor

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