

Announcements

The 2007 annual meeting of the BUSINESS HISTORY CONFERENCE (BHC) will take place on June 1–2 in Cleveland, Ohio, at the Weatherhead School of Management of Case Western Reserve University. The theme of the conference is “Entrepreneurial Communities.” In keeping with longstanding BHC policy, the committee will also entertain submissions not directly related to the conference theme.

Potential presenters may submit proposals either for individual papers or for entire panels. Individual paper proposals should include a one-page abstract and a one-page curriculum vitae (CV). The abstract should summarize the argument of the paper, the sources on which it is based, and its relation to existing scholarship. Each panel proposal should include a cover letter stating the rationale for the session, a one-page abstract, the author’s CV for each proposed paper (up to three), and a list of preferred chairs and commentators with contact information.

Doctoral candidates who would like to have their dissertations discussed can participate in special dissertations-in-progress sessions. Submit a cover letter to this effect, along with a one-page CV and a one-page dissertation abstract, clearly indicating that the submission is a dissertation abstract.

Newcomen Dissertation Colloquium. The Newcomen Dissertation Colloquium will be held in conjunction with the 2007 BHC annual meeting. This intensive workshop, sponsored by BHC through the generous support of the Newcomen Society of the United States, will take place at the conference venue on May 30 and 31. Participants will work closely with a small, distinguished group of BHC-affiliated scholars, including at least two of its officers. A grant from the Newcomen Society of the United States will provide each participant with an honorarium of US\$300.

Herman E. Krooss Prize. Proposals also are invited for the Herman E. Krooss Prize for the best dissertation in business history. The Krooss Prize Committee welcomes submissions from recent Ph.D.s (2004–07) in history, economics, business administration, history of science and technology, law, and related fields. Please indicate in your cover letter that you wish to participate in this competition and include a one-page CV and a one-page dissertation abstract. Semifinalists will be asked to submit copies of their dissertation after the initial review of proposals. Finalists will present summaries of their dissertations at the Cleveland meeting.

K. Austin Kerr Prize. BHC also awards the K. Austin Kerr Prize for the best first paper by a Ph.D. candidate or recent Ph.D. (2004–07). Please indicate in your cover letter that you wish to participate in this

competition and include a one-page CV and a one-page dissertation abstract. Proposals accepted for the Krooss Prize panel and the dissertations-in-progress sessions are not eligible for the Kerr Prize.

The deadline for receipt of proposals is October 15, 2006. Notification of acceptances will be sent by January 2007. The deadline for the dissertation colloquium is January 15, 2007. Please send all proposals to:

Dr. Roger Horowitz, Secretary-Treasurer
Business History Conference
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Wilmington, DE 19807, USA
Phone: (302) 658-2400
Fax: (302) 655-3188
E-mail: rh@udel.edu

For the dissertation colloquium, one recommendation from the dissertation supervisor (or prospective supervisor) should also be faxed or e-mailed to Roger Horowitz.

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The ALFRED D. CHANDLER JR. INTERNATIONAL VISITING SCHOLARS IN BUSINESS HISTORY PROGRAM. Harvard Business School is pleased to announce a new fellowship opportunity. Established scholars in business history based outside the United States are invited to spend a period of time in residence at Harvard Business School. The primary activities of the program will be to interact with faculty and researchers, present work at research seminars, and conduct business history research. The program will encourage research relating historical reality to underlying economic theories of business development. Stipends associated with the program will be funded through the generosity of Alfred D. Chandler Jr., the Isidor Straus Professor of Business History, Emeritus, at Harvard Business School. Each year, \$14,000 will be available to support two visiting scholars (at \$7,000 each). Alfred D. Chandler Jr. International Visiting Scholars will get office space, an e-mail account, phone, computer, ID card, and access to the University's libraries and the HBS Intranet. The program requires a two-month minimum length of stay. Scholars may stay up to a maximum of six months. It is expected that the scholars will be in residence at the School for the duration of their appointment and that they will be actively engaged in the intellectual life of the business history group.

Applications for the 2007 fellowships should arrive no later than September 1, 2006. Please send (by post or by e-mail) a cover letter,

CV, and a description of the research you would like to undertake to the address below. Two letters of reference should be sent separately to:

Geoffrey Jones
Baker Library 175
Harvard Business School
Soldiers Field
Boston, MA 02163, USA
E-mail: gjones@hbs.edu

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The HARVARD-NEWCOMEN POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP. The Harvard Business School and the Newcomen Society of the United States support a postdoctoral fellowship in business history for twelve months of residence and research at Harvard Business School. Fellowships normally run for the academic year, July 1 to June 30; the stipend is currently \$46,000.

The purpose of the award is to enable scholars who have received a Ph.D. in history, economics, or a related discipline within the past ten years to improve their professional acquaintance with business and economic history, to increase their skills as they relate to this field, and to engage in research that will benefit from the resources of Harvard Business School and the Boston-area scholarly community. The successful applicant will participate in the school's business history courses, seminars, and case-development activities.

The annual application for the 2007–08 fellowship is due October 1, 2006. For additional information, write to:

Walter A. Friedman
Rock Center 104
Harvard Business School
Boston, MA 02163, USA
E-mail: wfriedman@hbs.edu
Applications can be downloaded at:
<http://www.hbs.edu/businesshistory/fellowships.html>

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The 2006 ECONOMIC HISTORY ASSOCIATION Meetings, “Frontiers and Institutional Innovation: Property Rights, Production Organization and Governance, and Political Structure,” will be held at the Omni William Penn Hotel, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, September 15–17, 2006.

Graduate students interested in disseminating preliminary results from their thesis work may apply to participate in the poster session at the Annual Meetings. Those accepted receive the following support:

- Travel subsidies up to \$500 for domestic flights or train fare, up to \$800 for international flights.
- Complimentary hotel rooms (double occupancy, shared with another graduate student) for up to three nights.
- A 60 percent discount on the registration fee.
- An 80 percent discount on the Saturday Presidential Banquet.
- A free dinner with other graduate students on Friday night.

Applicants, who must be members of the Association (a downloadable membership form is available at <http://eh.net/EHA/membership/content.html>), should send by e-mail a 100 word abstract along with a one-page CV to:

Professor William Collins, Chair
Program Committee
E-mail: william.collins@vanderbilt.edu

The deadline is July 5, 2006. Awards will be announced by July 31, 2006.

Graduate students interested in attending the annual meeting but not participating in the poster session are eligible, depending on funding availability, for up to three nights' complimentary hotel room (double occupancy, shared with another graduate student). Send requests to the e-mail address listed above. Applicants must be members of the Association. The deadline is July 5, 2006. Awards will be announced by July 31, 2006.

The Allen Nevins Prize in American Economic History is awarded annually by the Economic History Association on behalf of Columbia University Press for the best dissertation in U.S. or Canadian economic history completed during the previous year. The 2006 prize will be awarded at the Economic History Association's annual meeting in Pittsburgh in September 2006.

Please send submitted dissertations to:

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The Alexander Gerschenkron Prize in Economic History is awarded annually by the Economic History Association for the best dissertation in the economic history of an area outside the United States or Canada completed during the previous year. The 2006 prize will be awarded at the Economic History Association's annual meeting in Pittsburgh in September 2006.

Please send submitted dissertations to:

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University of Colorado at Boulder
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The Ranki Prize was established by the Economic History Association in 1989 to honor the late Gyorgy Ranki, a distinguished Hungarian economic historian who taught in both Hungary and the United States. The Ranki Prize of \$1,200 is awarded biennially for an outstanding book in European economic history. It alternates with the Alice Hanson Jones Prize for a book in North American (including Caribbean) economic history. The ninth Ranki Prize will be awarded in September 2007 for a book published in 2005 or 2006.

To be eligible, a book must be published in English and must, in whole or in substantial part, treat aspects of European economic history in any period from classical antiquity to the present. For purposes of this prize, Europe is understood to include European Russia as well as the British Isles. Books that compare the European experience with that of other parts of the world, or that use historical information to examine present or anticipate future issues and trends, are also eligible as long as they pay significant attention to European economic history.

Nominations for the prize may be made by authors, publishers, or anyone else. Authors of nominated books need not be members of the Economic History Association. Date of publication, rather than date of copyright, determines eligibility. Translations of books published previously in a language other than English are eligible in the year of publication in English. For more information, please contact:

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The WOMEN'S COMMITTEE OF THE ECONOMIC HISTORY SOCIETY is holding its annual workshop in November 2006 at the University of Leeds on the theme of "Gender and Business." You are warmly invited to participate in this workshop, either as paper-givers or attendees. The Women's Committee of EHS has run annual workshops on a variety of themes for over ten years, providing fruitful channels for communicating research and for networking with like-minded colleagues. Some limited financial assistance may be available to support the attendance of postgraduates. If you would like further information about the workshop, please contact either Maggie Walsh (Margaret.Walsh@nottingham.ac.uk) or Katrina Honeyman (K.Honeyman@leeds.ac.uk).