

ASSA

INVITATION TO ATTEND THE 2011 ANNUAL CONVENTION ALLIED SOCIAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATIONS



DENVER, CO
JANUARY 7-9, 2011

****FRIDAY, SATURDAY & SUNDAY****

MEETING FACILITIES

The headquarters hotel is the Sheraton Denver Downtown. Sessions are also in the Hyatt Regency Convention Center, Denver Marriott City Center, and the Westin Tabor Center. The AEA Continuing Education Program is located in the Denver Marriott City Center, January 9-11. Registration and Exhibits are located in the Sheraton Denver Downtown. Interview tables are located in the Hyatt Regency Convention Center. Sessions begin Friday, January 7th at 8:00 a.m. and run until 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 9th.

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMS

The entire preliminary program is on the AEA website at www.vanderbilt.edu/AEA starting in September. An update is made in November only.

REGISTRATION

You must register and pay the registration fee before booking a room. The five digit registration ID number is needed to book a room or suite. Once registration payment is received, you will get an email confirmation, registration ID number, housing form, and link to housing. See housing instructions. Everyone must register, including speakers and discussants. Badges are required for admission to all sessions and activities. Pick up your registration packet at the Sheraton Denver Downtown, Plaza Foyer, Concourse Level. On-Site and Advance Registration Booths will be open as follows:

Thursday, January 6.....	2:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.*
Friday, January 7.....	7:45 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.*
Saturday, January 8.....	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.*
Sunday, January 9.....	8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (Plaza Registration Office)

*The on-site registration line will be closed off fifteen minutes prior to closing of each day. Early registration fee (received by December 1st) for AEA members is \$60.00. Early registration fee for non-AEA members is \$75.00. Registration fee after December 1st and on-site is \$125.00 for AEA members or non-AEA members. Online registration is the only option after December 1st.

REGISTRATION CONFIRMATIONS

If you register online you will get an email confirmation within a few minutes, faxed registration forms take up to three days, and mailed in forms take up to two weeks to process. Confirmations are emailed when email addresses are provided. If you do not receive a confirmation within this time frame email us at ASSA@vanderbilt.edu. Check your confirmation for name and affiliation accuracy. If any corrections are required, email changes to assa@vanderbilt.edu or fax changes to 615.343.2986. We recommend you bring your confirmation when picking up your packet at the Sheraton Denver Downtown. A receipt is included in each participant's packet.

REFUNDS

In order to process refunds for pre-registration you must forward a copy of your hotel room or suite cancellation notice to assa@vanderbilt.edu or fax to 615-343-2986. We must receive your request by December 1st. *If you are registering after December 1st or on-site, no refunds are issued.*

AEA CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAM

The AEA will offer a set of three "continuing education" programs scheduled immediately following the ASSA Meetings. The programs are designed to help mid-career economists with heavy teaching loads or considerable administrative responsibilities maintain the value of their human capital. They are tailored to faculty at liberal arts colleges and teaching-oriented state universities that usually have fewer research opportunities than colleagues at universities with Ph.D. programs in economics. The lecturers are leading scholars in their fields who are excellent expositors. The focus is on content to help improve both teaching and research. See the AEA Continuing Education link for more details.

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PROFESSIONAL PLACEMENT SERVICE

Information and procedures for both employers and job seekers on how to use the professional placement service for both academic and non-academic positions are included in this booklet. The placement center and interview tables are located in the Centennial Ballroom, Hyatt Regency Convention Center, January 6th through 9th and will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each day. **Illinois Skills Match (ISM)** provides self-service matching of qualified candidates to both academic and non-academic job postings with follow-up assistance from trained ISM staff to maximize your success. The professional placement service is conducted and sponsored free of charge through the efforts of the Illinois Department of Employment Security and AEA. See the "Job Placement Service" link for more information.

HOTEL DIRECTORY

The directory of participants is generated from the hotel reservation form. You must be registered and make your hotel reservations through the ASSA official housing company by December 1st to be listed in the directory. If you are not staying in one of the convention hotels, you may send a phone number where you can be reached during the meetings to assa@vanderbilt.edu or fax to 615-343-2986.

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

If you need disability aids or services to fully participate in the meetings, contact the ASSA Registration Office at 615-322-3509 by December 1st. If you need a specially equipped sleeping room, inform the Housing Bureau when making your hotel reservation.

WELCOME RECEPTION

Plan to attend the Tenth Annual "ASSA Welcome Reception," January 6, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Sheraton Denver Downtown. If you RSVP on the registration form you will receive a free drink coupon in your registration packet for the reception. Mark the box only if you plan to attend. This will help keep the cost down. There will be heavy hors d'oeuvres and live entertainment.

SPOUSE OR GUEST

There is no spouse program. Spouses or guests wishing to attend any of the meetings may register by December 1st for \$35.00. After December 1st and on-site registration fee is \$55.00. If your spouse or guest needs an affiliation on his/her badge, he/she must register separately and pay the full fee.

EXHIBITS

Exhibits are located in the Sheraton Denver Downtown, Plaza Ballroom, Concourse Level. The hours will be:

Friday, January 7.....	9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Saturday, January 8.....	9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Sunday, January 9.....	9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

CAR RENTAL

Special discounted rates arranged through **Avis Rent A Car** are as follows: \$29 day/weekend, \$43 day/weekday or \$215/week for subcompact, \$31 day/weekend, \$48 day/weekday or \$225/week for compact, \$33 day/weekend, \$53 day/weekday or \$245/week for intermediate, \$35 day/weekend, \$56 day/weekday or \$255/week for full size 2-door, \$37 day/weekend, \$59 day/weekday or \$265/week for full size 4-door, \$47 day/weekend, \$69 day/weekday or \$370/week for premium, \$71 day/weekend, \$75 day/weekday or \$460/week for luxury, \$71 day/weekend, \$75 day/weekday or \$460/week for mini van, \$65 day/weekend, \$75 day/weekday or \$460/week for sport utility. Rates are subject to change. Weekend daily rates are available from noon Thursday – Monday at 11:59 p.m. When reservations are booked, the above rates are automatically compared to Avis' published rates, including internet rates, to ensure the attendees receive the lowest rate that we have to offer. These rates are available January 1-16, 2011 and include UNLIMITED FREE MILEAGE. Gas, tax and optional insurance coverage are extra. Return to the same renting location or additional surcharges may apply. To make reservations, call Avis at 1-800-331-1600 and request Avis Worldwide Discount (AWD) number **J947275**. You may also reserve a car on-line at www.avis.com. Avis meeting rates will apply at all Denver locations. An advance reservation is recommended.

PARKING

Complimentary parking is available at the Burnsley, Doubletree, and Red Lion Hotels. The other hotel parking rates range between \$18-\$28 plus tax per 24 hours. Parking rates are subject to change without notice.

SHUTTLE

Burnsley Hotel will run a complimentary continuous shuttle bus from the Burnsley to the Sheraton Denver Downtown to facilitate job candidate movement. ASSA will also run a shuttle bus from the Sheraton Denver Downtown to the Doubletree and Red Lion Hotels in the mornings and afternoons. All other hotels are within walking distance of the 16th Street Shuttle (MallRide) which is free.

FREE MALLRIDE

The 16th Street Shuttle runs up and down 16th Street as often as every 60 seconds and stops at every intersection. The free MallRide operates weekdays starting at 5:00 a.m., Saturday at 5:30 a.m., and Sundays at 7:00 a.m. The last complete roundtrip is every night at 1:35 a.m.

AIRPORT/HOTEL TRANSPORTATION

Doubletree and Red Lion have a complimentary airport shuttle.

Super Shuttle provides ground transportation from Denver International Airport to the downtown hotels. The discount code is 3QMMS. To make reservations go online to www.supershuttle.com and enter the discount code or call 1-800-BLUEVAN. The cost is \$19 one-way and \$32 round-trip.

Taxi fare from Denver International Airport to Downtown is approximately \$55. The distance is around 25 miles.

AIR TRANSPORTATION

Discounted fares are available through **SAILAIR TRAVEL**, the official travel agency for ASSA. For reservations call 1.800.759.5800 or 615.297.9200. Sailair Travel provides, seat assignments, schedule change notices, and assistance with any difficulties before, during and after travel. A \$25.00 service charge will apply. Reservation hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. central time, Monday through Friday.

FUTURE MEETINGS

January 6-8, 2012	Friday, Saturday, & Sunday	Chicago, IL	Hyatt Regency Chicago
January 4-6, 2013	Friday, Saturday, & Sunday	San Diego, CA	Manchester Grand Hyatt
January 3-5, 2014	Friday, Saturday, & Sunday	Philadelphia, PA	Philadelphia Marriott Downtown
January 3-5, 2015	Saturday, Sunday & Monday	Boston, MA	Sheraton Boston
January 3-5, 2016	Sunday, Monday & Tuesday	San Francisco, CA	Hilton San Francisco
January 6-8, 2017	Friday, Saturday, & Sunday	Chicago, IL	Hyatt Regency Chicago
January 5-7, 2018	Friday, Saturday, & Sunday	Atlanta, GA	Atlanta Marriott Marquis