



**HOWARD
UNIVERSITY**

College of Arts and Sciences

Department of Economics

ANNUAL Omicron Delta Epsilon

Virtual Lecture



Recognition Ceremony

Thursday

April 11, 2024

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Guest Speaker

Dr. Benjamin Rosa

Assistant Professor

University of Michigan's Ross School of Business

Howard University
Virtual Address

Program

Introductory Remarks

Dr. Omari H. Swinton
Chair, Department of Economics

Greetings from:

Dr. Terri Adams-Fuller
Associate Dean for the
Graduate School

Introduction of the Speaker

Isabelle Mutumba
President: Abram Harris
Economics Society

Speaker

Dr. Benjamin Rosa
Assistant Professor, University of
Michigan's Ross School of Business

Questions for the Speaker

Moderator: Isabelle Mutumba

President: Abram Harris
Economics Society

Replies from the Speaker

Presentation to the Speaker

Presenter: Isabelle Mutumba
President: Abram Harris
Economics Society

Howard University Economics Department

Alumni Association (HUEDAA)

Dr. Vincent R. McDonald
Senior Recognition Award

Presenter: Dr. Vincent R. McDonald
Chairperson Emeritus

Howard University Economics Department Alumni Association (HUEDAA)

Graduate Student Travel Stipend Award
In honor of Dr. William E. Spriggs

Presenter: Dr. Adji Fatou Diagne
Chair, HUEDAA Awards Committee

Induction: New Omicron Delta Epsilon Members

Presenter: Dr. C. Kenrick Hunte, ODE Advisor

Inductees:

1. Subodh Pandey
2. Jordan Palmer
3. Jones Paintsil
4. David Ndolo
5. Tonshia Luster
6. Felipe Juan
7. Roberto Ward II
8. Chelsea Anozie
9. Louis-Léopold Muderhwa

ODE Committee, 2024-2025

President: Judene Josephs
Vice President: Vacant
Secretary: Omoneka Adams
Treasurer: Vacant

Howard University Economics Department Alumni Association (HUEDAA)

Greetings from:

President: Hazel Robinson

Closing Remarks

Dr. Deniz Baglan
Director of Undergraduate Studies
Department of Economics



GUEST SPEAKER

Dr. Benjamin Rosa

Assistant Professor, University of Michigan's Ross School of Business.

Bio: Benjamin Rosa is an Assistant Professor of Business Economics at the University of Michigan's Ross School of Business. He is a Howard University graduate (class of 2012), with dual Degrees in Economics and Mathematics. After completing his undergraduate studies, Rosa went on to receive his Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Pennsylvania, and has taught at Virginia Tech and the University of Kentucky. His research interests have a concentration on Industrial Organization and public economics, focusing on federal contracting and small business programs. His research has been published in internationally recognized peer-reviewed journals; and it investigates how various policies---such as set-asides and other preferences---affect the cost of federal contracting, and the distribution of contract dollars to small, diverse firms.



HUEDAA: The Beginning.....

The inception of HUEDAA began on March 10, 2001 at a retirement luncheon for Drs. Chandler and Huang at Bolling AFB in Washington DC. While at the luncheon with fellow alumni, Ms. Hazel Robinson thought it would be a good idea if the alumni could continue to meet and discuss ways to give back to the Department. With key professors retiring and new professors not yet hired, there was a need for strong alumni to stand in the gap and provide needed support to the Department and its students.

On April 27, 2001, before the ODE Annual Spring Dinner-Lecture, Ms. Hazel Robinson and three alumni, Dr. Sandra Cooke, Dr. Gwendolyn Flowers, and Dr. Charles Thorpe met with then Department Chairman, Dr. Ransford Palmer at the Department of Economics to learn how he thought the alumni could best support the Department. Dr. Palmer provided a list of 9 –10 items in how we could support the Department.

2023-2024 HUEDAA Officers:

President- LTC Hazel Robinson
Vice President- Dr. Charles Thorpe
Secretary- Vacant
Treasurer- Ms. Patricia Smith

HUEDAA is celebrating 23 years of providing advice and support to the HU Department of Economics.

HUEDAA supports two endowed funds founded in memory of two of our beloved professors. Funds raised from this event will be donated to these two funds:

The Dr. Joseph R. Houchins Endowed Scholarship Fund

For almost 30 years, Dr. Joseph R. Houchins was one of the most affable and influential educators in the Department of Economics at Howard University. Even after his official retirement in 1985, Dr. Houchins remained on campus with “emeritus status” primarily to continue his cherished relationships with students and to participate in intellectual discourses of the Department. He continued in this capacity until his death in 1990, at age 89. His genuine interest in the welfare and success of each and every student he came in contact with was the principal basis for the establishment of a scholarship fund in his honor.

Dr. Jean Louis DuCarmel Bocage Endowed Loan Fund

Dr. Jean Louis DuCarmel Bocage (1923-2003) was a man of strong determination, unbending loyalty, and deep commitment to excellence. For more than 30 years, he dedicated his life to educating the students at Howard University. Among the many courses that he taught, Dr. Bocage is well known for teaching the “History of Economic Analysis” to graduate-level economics students. In gratitude to Howard University, the Bocage family established this fund in honor of their patriarch, Dr. Bocage.

A Working Holiday Party in 2002- From HUEDAA's



Holiday Photo in December 2018: HUEDAA with Chairman Swinton



HUEDAA's 2023 Holiday Celebration with Chairman Swinton and Student Award Winners



HU Economics Department's 2023 Graduates Reception



2023 Economics Graduates

