Freedom and Justice: Jobs, Economic Security, and Inclusion

August 10 – August 12, 2017 John Jay College of Criminal Justice, The New School, Institute for New Economic Thinking, and Washington Center for Equitable Growth

THURSDAY, August 10th

Meet and Greet Reception, location TBA 6:00-7:30 pm, hosted by Washington Center for Equitable Growth

CONFERENCE SESSIONS

FRIDAY, August 11th

Location: The New School, Wollman Hall

8:00 - 9:00 am On-site registration

8:15 -8:45, Continental Breakfast

8:50 Welcome:

9:00 - 10:45,

Session I: Economic Crisis and Labor Market Outcomes

Unemployment and Over-education among Island and Mainland Puerto Ricans, Mexican Americans, and Non-Hispanic Whites: 2006-2015

Marie T. Mora, Professor of Economics, Department of Economics and Finance, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

Alberto Dávila, Professor and Associate Dean for Administration, Graduate Studies & Research, Robert C. Vackar College of Business and Entrepreneurship, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

Havidán Rodríguez, Professor of Sociology, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

African American Labor Market Engagement since the Great Recession

Thomas Masterson, Research Scholar and Director of Applied Micro-modelling Distribution of Income and Wealth Project, Levy Economics Institute of Bard College

Wealth and Earnings Profiles of Blacks and Latinos, Pre and Post the Great Recession Enrique A. Lopezlira, Assistant Professor of Economics & Finance, Grand Canyon University

Transformation of the Gender Job Security Status in Canada: Estimating the Impact of the 2008-2009 Economic Crisis on Work Time

Ana Androsik, Doctoral Candidate, Department of Economics, The New School

11:00 - 12:45,

Session II: Gender and Community Health

*Harmattan Winds, Disease and Gender Gaps in Human Capital Investment*Belinda Archibong, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Barnard College

Francis Annan, Columbia University

An Assessment of Health Crisis on Economic Security of Savings Groups during and after Ebola Virus D in Mixed Communities of Sierra Leone

Ana Androsik, Doctoral Candidate, Department of Economics, The New School

Precarity among the Securely Employed? Insight from Black Women Nurses in Johannesburg, South Africa

Jennifer Cohen, Assistant Professor, Miami University

Working for Tomorrow: Women of Color, Unpaid Labor, and Environmental Racism

Nina Banks, Associate Professor, Department of Economics, Bucknell University

1:00-2:00, Lunch Conversation on Tribal Colleges

Introduction, William Spriggs, Howard University and AFL-CIO

Sandra Boham, President Salish Kootenai College Pablo, Montana

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Session III: Communities and Economic Justice

Environmental Racism and the Political Economy of Water: From Flint to Standing Rock Moana Vercoe, Research Affiliate, TURN Institute

Community Housing and Cooperatives: Recapturing the Surplus of Economic Development in Communities of Color

Antonio Callari, Sigmund M. and Mary B. Hyman Professor of Economics, Franklin and Marshall College

Race and Right-to-Work: Cause and Effect in the Racial Composition of Industrial Work Forces

Kristen Broady, Howard University

Patrick L. Mason, Professor, Department of Economics and Director of African American Studies, Florida State University

An Economic Bill of Rights for the 21st Century

Mark Paul, Postdoctoral Associate, Samuel DuBois Cook Center on Social Equity, Duke University

William Darity, Jr., Samuel DuBois Cook Professor of Public Policy, African and African American Studies, and Economics; and Director of the Samuel DuBois Cook Center for Social Equity, Duke University

Darrick Hamilton, Associate Professor of Economics and Urban Policy at the Milano School of International Affairs, Management and Urban Policy and Department of Economics, The New School

4:15-5:15 Keynote Address

KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Jessica Gordon Nembhard, Ph.D.*

SATURDAY, August 12th

Location: John Jay College of Criminal Justice

7:30-8:00 Continental Breakfast

8:00-9:45

Session IV Wages and Labor Market Characteristics

Revisiting Bergmann's Occupational Crowding Model

Michelle Holder, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, City University of New York

Revising the Racial Wage Gap among Men: the Role of Non-Employment and IncarcerationJeannette Wicks-Lim, Assistant Research Professor, Political Economy Research Institute,
University of Massachusetts-Amherst

Minimum Wage and the Informal Sector: Evidence from Day Labor Workers
Philippa Haven, Scripps College and Congressional Budget Office

Fernando Lozano, Associate Professor of Economics, Pomona College

Non-Parametric Phillip Curves: Why Segregated Job Networks Might Be a Better Fit Deniz Baglan, Assistant Professor, Howard University

William Spriggs, Professor, Department of Economics, Howard University; Chief Economist, AFL-CIO

10:00-11:45

Session V: Racial Disparities and their Effects

The College Debt Trap: Another Detour for Black and Latino Families?

Robert B. Williams, Professor of Economics, Guilford College

The Labor Market for African American and Hispanic Lifeguards: Implications for Racial/Ethnic Disparities in Drowning Rates

Samuel L. Myers Jr., Roy Wilkins Professor of Human Relations and Social Justice, Humphrey School, University of Minnesota

Marina Gorsuch, Research Associate, Minnesota Population Center

Yufeng Lai, Graduate Research Assistant, Department of Applied Economics Diana Vega Vega, Undergraduate Research Assistant, Department of Economics Rachel Motachwa, Undergraduate Research Fellow, Minnesota Population Center Devan Steward, Graduate Research Fellow, Minnesota Population Center

CDFI Loans to Micro and Small Businesses: What Do They Tell Us about Gender and Race Biases?

Álvaro Moreno, Doctoral Candidate, Darden School of Business, University of Virginia

The Location and Employment Effects of Non-Depository Financial Institutions: Evidence from the States of Delaware and New York

Jan Christopher, Associate Professor, College of Business, Department of Accounting, Economics and Finance, Delaware State University

12:00-1:15

Session VI: Policing, Protest, and Punishment

Colonialists, Taxation and Punishment: Prisons and Labor Coercion in British Colonial West Africa

Belinda Archibong, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Barnard College

Don't Shoot! The Impact of Historical African American Protest on Police Killings of Civilians

Rob Gillezeau, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of Victoria

Jamein P. Cunningham, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Portland State University

Douglas Williams, Department of Political Science, Wayne State University

The Impact of Police Militarization on Officer-Involved Shootings

Olugbenga Ajilore, Associate Professor, Department of Economics, University of Toledo; President-elect, National Economic Association

1:30-2:30 (Lunch)

Closing Plenary Conversation and Reflections

Facilitator: Joseph Guzman, PhD

Past-President, American Society of Hispanic Economists (ASHE) Assistant Professor, School of Human Resources & Labor Relations Michigan State University

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Dr. Gordon Nembhard is a political economist specializing in community economics, Black Political Economy and popular economic literacy. Her research and publications explore problematics and alternative solutions in cooperative economic development and worker ownership, community economic development, wealth inequality and community-based asset building, and community-based approaches to justice. She has recently completed a book on Black cooperatives: *Collective Courage: A History of African American Cooperative Economic Thought and Practice* (2014 The Pennsylvania State University Press). *Collective Courage* was a finalist for the University of Memphis Benjamin L. Hicks National Book Award for 2014.

Dr. Gordon Nembhard is the 2014 recipient of the "ONI Award" from the International Black Women's Congress, and the 2011 recipient of the "Cooperative Advocacy and Research" Award from the Eastern Conference for Workplace Democracy. She is a member of the Shared Leadership Team of Organizing Neighborhood Equity (ONE) DC, and member of the board of directors of the Association of Cooperative Educators (ACE), Grassroots Economic Organizing (GEO) Newsletter (and Ecological Democracy Institute of North America Vice President), the CEJJES Institute (past President and current Treasurer); and former board member of the National Economic Association (past President and past Treasurer) and founding board member of the Political Economy Research Institute, University of Massachusetts, Amherst (currently on the advisory board). She is a co-founder of the U.S. Solidarity Economy Network; the Eastern Conference for Workplace Democracy; and the Democracy Collaborative (at the University of Maryland). In addition, she is a charter member of the US Federation of Worker Cooperatives; a member of The Federation of Southern Cooperatives/Land Assistance Fund, and a member of the Southern Grassroots Economies Project.

Dr. Gordon Nembhard was a visiting scholar in the Economics Department at Howard University (2008-09), and was Master Teacher (July 2007 and 2009) at its Center on Race and Wealth's Summer Institute for Research on Race and Wealth. She was previously Assistant Professor of African American Studies at the University of Maryland, College Park; Research Director of the Preamble Center (Washington, DC); Senior Economist at the Institute for Urban Research, Morgan State University; and Acting Deputy Director and Economic Development Analyst for the Black Community Crusade for Children at the Children's Defense Fund.

Jessica Gordon Nembhard earned a Ph.D. and an M.A. in economics from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst (1992 and 1989, respectively). She earned her B.A. degree, magna cum laude, in Literature and African American Studies from Yale University (1978); and an M.A.T. in Elementary Curriculum and Teaching from Howard University (1982). She is the proud mother of two children (Stephen and Susan) and two grandsons (Stephen and Hugo Nembhard).