

**Georgetown Economist will Present on Higher Education and the U.S. Economy
Open Faculty Forum on Friday, November 15, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.
Keystone Room**

On Friday November 15, the Office of the Provost and the College of Health Sciences are sponsoring a visit by Dr. Nicole Smith, a Research Professor and Senior Economist at the Georgetown University Center on Education and the Workforce (<http://cew.georgetown.edu/>) where she leads the Center's econometric and methodological work.

Dr. Smith will be visiting ESU for the day and will be presenting to various constituencies on a framework for restructuring long-term occupational and educational projections. This framework forms the underlying methodology for Help Wanted, a report that projects education demand for occupations in the U.S. economy through 2020. Dr. Smith is part of a team of economists working on a project to map, forecast and monitor human capital development and career pathways. She is also a co-author of *Healthcare*, an analysis of the occupational demands in healthcare fields.

Prior to joining the Center, Dr. Smith was a faculty member in Economics at Gettysburg College in Pennsylvania, and the University of the West Indies (U.W.I.), St. Augustine campus. Her previous macroeconomic research focused on the political economy of exchange rates and exchange rate volatility in the Commonwealth Caribbean, the motivation for her M.S. thesis and a joint-publication at the Inter-American Development Bank. Her current research investigates the role of education and socioeconomic factors in intergenerational mobility.

Dr. Smith was born in Trinidad and Tobago and graduated with honors in Economics and Mathematics from the University of the West Indies, St. Augustine campus. She was the recipient of the Sir Arthur Lewis Memorial Prize for outstanding research at the Master's level at the U.W.I. and is co-recipient of the 2007 Arrow Prize for Junior Economists for educational mobility research. She received her Ph.D. in Economics from American University in Washington, D.C.

The faculty is invited to attend an open forum on Friday, November 15 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Keystone Room.

Two of the publications that she will be talking about can be viewed at the following links:

“Recovery” <http://cew.georgetown.edu/recovery2020/>

“Healthcare” <http://cew.georgetown.edu/healthcare/>