

Advancing Mississippi: A Better Mississippi for More Mississippians

Conference Agenda

9:30 AM Welcome

10:00 AM Session 1: Estimations

[Is Hinds County Mississippi Really Worse than Madison or Rankin County? A Spatial Equilibrium Approach to Ranking Quality of Life](#)

[The Role of Income and location in Racial/Ethnic differences on loan denial in three Mississippi Counties](#)

[Estimation of the Burden of Cigarette Smoking on the State of Mississippi in 2014](#)

11:00 AM Session 2: Employment

[Independent Living Program \(ILP\) and Workforce Development for Youth Aging Out of the MS Foster Care System](#)

[Understanding the nature of the teacher shortage in Mississippi](#)

[An Exploratory Study of Effects of Workplace Variables on Organizational Commitment of Mississippi Correctional Staff](#)

12:00 PM Lunch

Speakers: [Joel Bomgar](#) and [Kabir Karriem](#)

1:30 PM Session 3: Being Healthy

[Transforming Lives through Health Insurance Outreach and Enrollment](#)

[The Socio-Economic Impact of Community Development Financial Institutions on Child Health Outcomes in Mississippi](#)

[Health Insurance Influence on Obesity Rates: A Cross-Sectional Study of Mississippi's 82 Counties](#)

2:30 PM Session 4: Education

[Sex Education in Mississippi: An Analysis of the Early Impacts of HB999](#)

[Applied Behavior Analysis in Mississippi: New Opportunities, New Challenges, and New Solutions](#)

[Early Learning Standards](#)

[Financial Literacy among College Students: Comparisons by Gender, Race/Ethnicity, Age, and National Norms](#)

3:50 PM Session 5: Student Paper Winners

4:30 PM Closing Remarks