

# Department of Economics Senior Thesis Prize Winners Class of 2014

## **Walter C. Sauer '28 Prize**

Awarded annually, to the student whose thesis, on any aspect of the United States foreign trade, is judged to be the most creative.

### **Diane Stacy Shanan**

*"Is Globalization a Threat to Cultural Diversity? Measuring Home Bias in International Film Trade"*

**Advisor:** Stephen Redding

## **Wolf Balleisen Memorial Prize**

The best thesis on an economics subject, written by an economics major.

### **Sonya Rui Huang**

*"Multitask Contract Theory"*

**Advisor:** Markus Brunnermeier

## **John Glover Wilson Memorial Award**

The best thesis in international economics or politics.

### **Nicola Lucy Babarcich**

*"Bayesian Estimation of a Small Open Economy New Keynesian DSGE Model: Exchange Rate Dynamics in the Case of the Republic of Turkey"*

**Advisor:** Iqbal Zaidi

## **Senior Thesis Prize in Economics (gift from Beth Bogan):**

Awarded annually, for the most outstanding thesis in the fields of health, education or welfare.

### **Tadesh Dow Inagaki**

*"'I'll Take What She Gets': Money Management and Decision Making in Ex-Offender Households"*

**Advisor:** Jean Grossman

## **Burton G. Malkiel \*64 Senior Thesis Prize in Finance**

Established in 2000, the prize is awarded for the most outstanding thesis in the field of finance.

### **Elizabeth Emory Pitts**

*“The Timing of Intra-Industry Information Transfers, 1995-2012: A Signal Extraction Approach”*

**Advisor:** Hank Farber

and

### **John Joseph McNamara IV**

*“Corporate Real Assets and Employment Decisions”*

**Advisor:** Hank Farber

## **Daniel L. Rubinfeld '67 Prize in Empirical Economics**

Awarded annually, for the most outstanding senior thesis in empirical economics.

### **Joyce Zi Kun Lim**

*“The New York City Green Cart Program: An Impact Evaluation”*

**Advisor:** Janet Currie

and

### **Samuel Justin Võ Lite**

*“How Airlines Take Flight: Entry Models and Mergers in the Airline Industry”*

**Advisor:** Myrto Kalouptsi

## **The Halbert White '72 Prize in Economics**

Awarded annual to the most outstanding senior economics major, as evidenced by excellence in departmental coursework, and creativity in the junior papers and senior thesis

**Sonya Rui Huang**

and

**John Joseph McNamara IV**