David K Smith ‘42 Economics Symposium
Dedicated to the Memory of Robert E. Prasch III

“Economics of Skin Tone, Gender, Ethnicity, and Diaspora”
Saturday, April 16th, 2016 [Robert A. Jones ’59 House Conference Room]

Welcome Remarks: 8:30 to 8:45 AM President Laurie L. Patton [Middlebury]

Session I: 8:50 AM to 11 AM [Moderator: Jana Parsons ’16] “Do we have a Color-Blind Economy?”

- Marcos A. Rangel [Duke] “Color and Families: Demographic and socioeconomic differentials according to skill tonalities in the US”
- Stephanie Seguino [UVM]
- Discussant: Stephanie Seguino [UVM]
- Art Goldsmith [Washington & Lee, with co-authors] “Color and Families: Demographic and socioeconomic differentials according to skill tonalities in the US”

Coffee Break 11 AM to 11:15 AM

Keynote Address I: 11:20 AM to 12:30 PM Solomon W. Polachek [SUNY-Binghamton]
“Gender/Racial Wage Gaps: Not Too Well-Known Trends & Explanations”

Lunch 12:30 PM to 1:15 PM

Session II: 1:20 PM to 3:30 PM [Moderator: Hyeon-Seok Yu ’16] “Are Earnings Converging across Race and Gender?”

- Tanya Byker [Middlebury]
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Coffee Break 3:30 PM to 3:45 PM


- Discussant: Marcos A. Rangel [Duke]
- Keynote Address II: 5:05 PM to 6:15 PM Klaus F. Zimmermann [Harvard/Bonn University] “Diaspora Economics: Global Challenges and Perspectives”

Closing Remarks: Phanindra V. Wunnava [Middlebury]